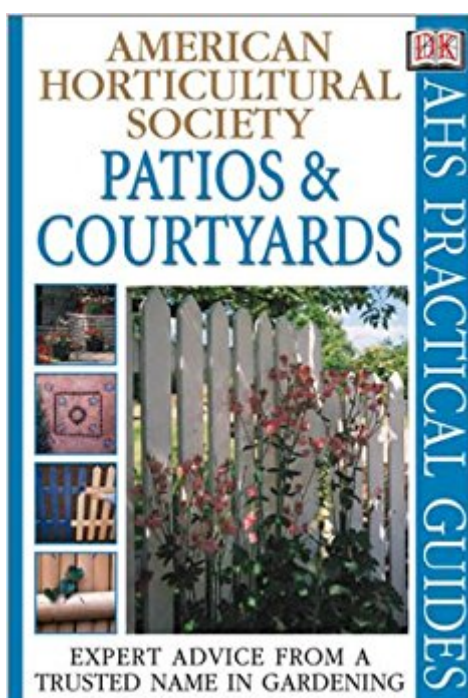


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Patios & Courtyards Includes: Planning a patio or courtyard -- creating a wish list; assessing your garden; choosing a style to suit your taste. Garden designs -- a selection of twelve detailed garden plans chosen to show how to cope with difficult conditions or sites, create different styles, or tailor the space to your requirements. Essential know-how -- measuring your site; drawing up a plan; choosing and using materials; safety tips; basic care of patio plants. Plant catalog -- an illustrated selection of outstanding plants for patios and courtyards.

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The American Horticultural Society (AHS) educates and inspires people of all ages to become successful and environmentally responsible gardeners by advancing the art and science of horticulture.

AHS Practical Guides are still the best all-around guides for the beginning home gardener. As a Louisiana Master Gardener, I am frequently sending folks to find (and purchase) these books from the selection of used books on .

After reading this book I am inspired to do a patio this year. This book gives you many ideas on different materials and many different designs of patios. This has been my favorite book on the subject of patios. How to start from nothing and have a beautiful patio or how to rip up an existing patio that has seen its best days and end up with a gorgeous patio. This is one of the best books on this subject and is a must have book for your library.

I picked this up at Home Depot, and if you don't have a Home Depot near you, it is worth the effort to buy used. This is as perfect a "quick guide" as one could want, with color photographs and easy to grasp textual descriptions. It does NOT provide "materials lists" or other technical information, that can be gotten for free from the Home Depot computer-aided design service--I could never have built my two-level 16 x 16 five step drop to 16 x 16 deck overlooking parkland without that service. With this book, I did a 50' by 20' courtyard enclosing a 16' x 8' wildflower garden that my wife had long complained lacked "context." Buy this book, stop the complaints from your significant other.

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