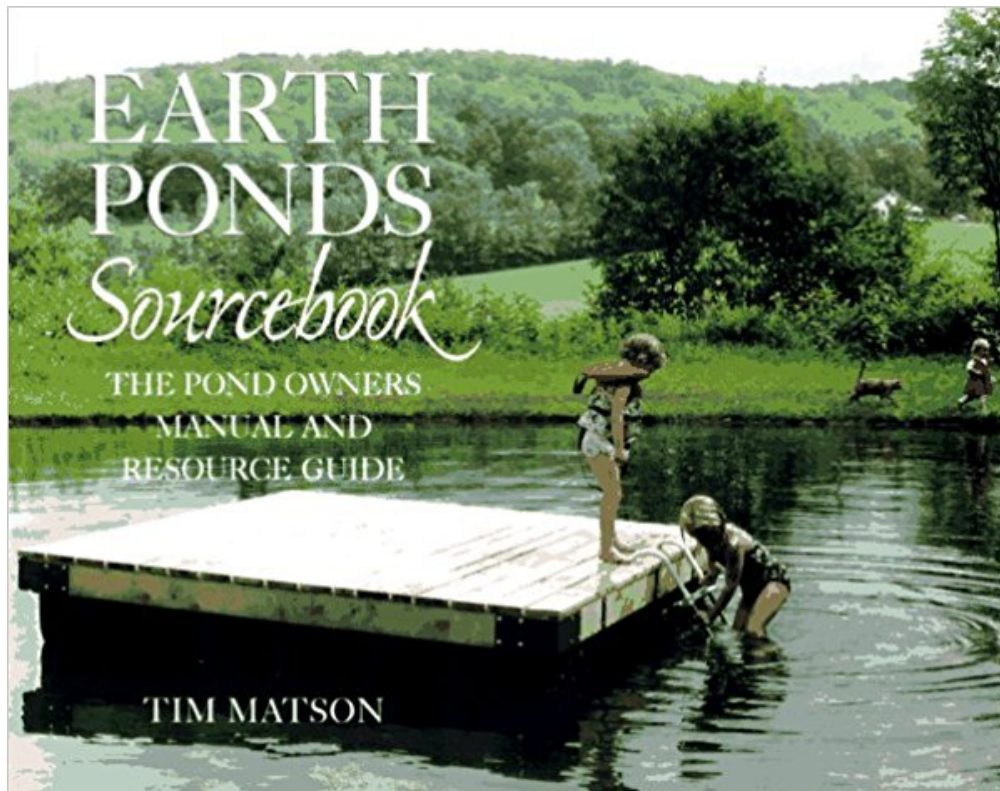




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# Earth Ponds Sourcebook: The Pond Owner's Manual And Resource Guide



## Synopsis

What else but a pond can simultaneously increase your aesthetic pleasure, offer recreational opportunities, help the environment by providing wildlife habitat, and increase the value of your land? Tim Matson's classic guide *Earth Ponds*, first published in 1982, remains the standard reference for pond owners and builders. Here is everything you need to know to plan, dig, sculpt, maintain, and enjoy your pond, and how to keep it healthy for years. The *Earth Ponds* Source-book presents hundreds of additional tips, techniques, and resources, including how to plan a pond to attract wildlife; where to buy equipment and materials; how to build rafts, docks, and gazebos, and how to deal with common problems like weeds, algae, and crayfish.

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Matson designed this book to serve as a companion to his *Earth Ponds: The Country Pond Maker's Guide to Building, Maintenance and Restoration* (Countryman, 1991) by exploring new topics in depth and providing additional bibliographies and lists of suppliers. Topics include pond building and maintenance, activities and uses (including ice skating, fishing, beach building, hydro power, and pond-side structures), ways to attract wildlife and control pests, and small water-lily or goldfish ponds. Resource lists provide addresses and phone numbers, with occasional annotations. Matson balances his enthusiasm for ponds with frequent warnings about legal, structural, and ecological pitfalls?information that may well save readers from costly mistakes. Living in Vermont, Matson focuses to some extent on conditions in the Northeast, but his general guidelines should apply to

any U.S. location. Recommended for most public libraries, especially where the original Earth Ponds has proven to be popular. ?Beth Clewis Crim, Prince William P.L., Va. Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc.

"side from some particularly thoughtful frogs and phragmites, no one on earth knows more about ponds than im atson. is books have counseled and consoled me through the digging of two ponds, making a daunting process far more interesting and pleasurable than it deserved to be." -Michael Pollan, ew ork ;imes Best Selling Author "With the Earth Ponds Sourcebook Tim has added yet another indispensable resource to the subject. It's easy to see why he is known as the guru of earth pond building. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

very informative, glad I found.

bought it as a gift for my wife who is rennovating our property. one of the ponds is and has been an issue. she absolutely loves this bood, consdiering it the encyclopedia of pond care. i was also thrilled with the price as i have seen it for 10-15 fold higher other places.

Lots of generic info. Prose is easy to read but not very informative - was after greater technical detail. Very little info about SE fish ponds.

A small book, not at all complete about the details of algae, and aqua biology.

nice

This book is full of useful and practical information. It will definitely leave you digging for more or digging a pond!

A good place to start if considering building a pond. Not that great for renovating a pond, but it does give good resouces in the book that may help you find what you are looking for.

This is meant as a companion for his other book on ponds but does a very nice job by itself.

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