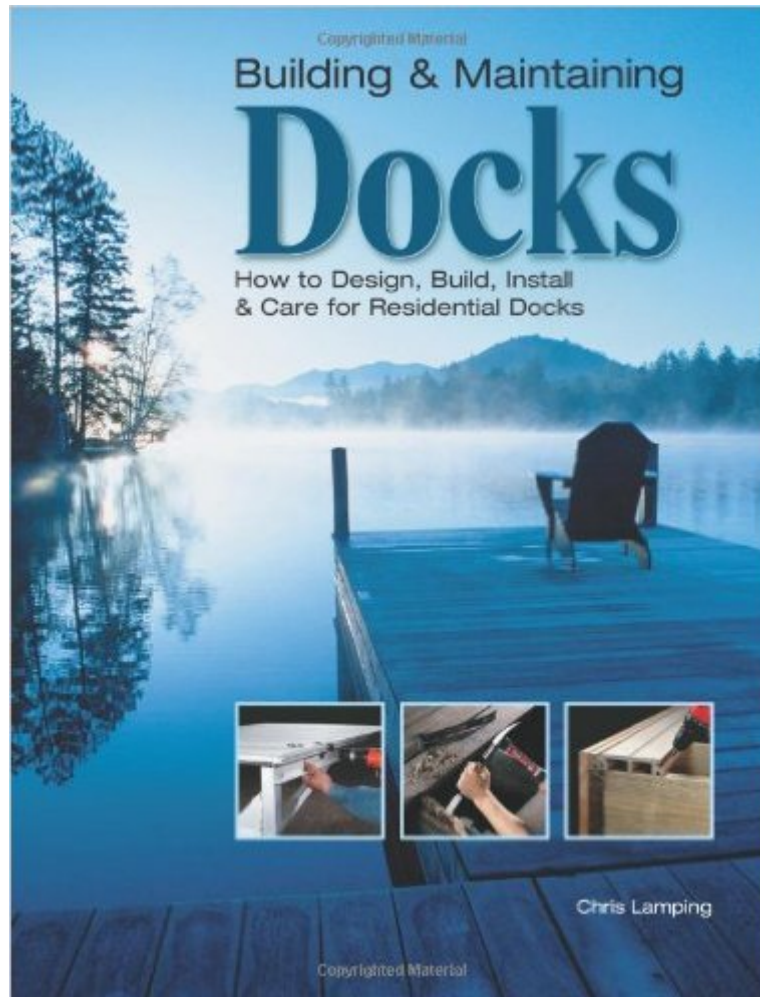


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Building & Maintaining Docks: How To Design, Build, Install & Care For Residential Docks



Synopsis

Millions of homes are situated along the shores of rivers, lakes and other bodies of water, and a large number of these have (or very much need) a dock. Some docks serve as boat landings, others as fishing piers, still others as platforms for recreational swimming and sunning, and some as places for relaxed entertaining decks over water. *Building & Maintaining Docks* is a guide book for planning, designing, building, and maintaining any type of dock, both for primary residences and vacation homes. Heavily illustrated with color photography, and featuring the latest technologies in dock construction and building materials, this book will both inspire and educate.

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Book covers all topics I was interested in but devotes considerable more pages to which dock type and design and less to the actual construction than I expected and desired.

The book was very informative in regards to the different types of docks. However, I was looking for more information on the actual construction of various docks. I was looking for more detail about the various types of dock hardware and pilings to use when building a dock. The book was more of an overview than an actual resource on how to build.

As a Landscape Architect I found the book helpful and very simple to use and browse through. It is

a good resource. It would be helpful to have some construction sections or details illustrating construction techniques. Also having a resource guide in the back for manufacturers and supplies would be useful.

Bought this book to guide me through the construction of a 50 foot dock with a 30 foot T on the end. The book was very helpful in making decisions about dock style, materials and techniques. My friend and I built a very nice dock with a tiki hut on the end.

If you are going to go it alone sort of, rather than have a pro build, then this is one of the books that you should read.

good do it yourself informational book, I put it with the stacks of others like it. I would recommend it to anyone.

Do not buy a pre-built dock. They are generally flimsy and too expensive. While I've built a few over the years, I purchased this book to learn about docks and it was a good book if you want to build from the ground up. Rule #1, use good wood, treated and let it weather one season before painting. Red barn paint works well but it does make it hot on your feet in the Summer. Rule #2, use quality hardware. Rule #3, get a bucket to put parts in that hangs from the dock posts when you are installing, or mount it in the middle of an inner-tube. I found this Field and Stream article and a vendor of dock parts that I used for my dock. I found RDS to be a good supplier with fine quality product.[...] I spent about \$1800 to outfit 7 sections, less the wood which I sourced locally. When you stand on the dock it's like standing on concrete.

Good book.

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