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150 Best Eco House Ideas



Synopsis

150 BEST ECO HOUSE IDEAS The newest volume in the highly successful "150 Best" series "joining 150 Best House Ideas and 150 Best Apartment Ideas" 150 Best Eco House Ideas is a comprehensive handbook showcasing the latest in sustainable architecture and environmentally-friendly home design. Perfect for architects, designers, interiors decorators, and homeowners alike.

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Customer Reviews

Some beautiful photos and interesting ideas, but again almost no written details. Will use for inspiration for design, but will have to refer to technical books for any real information on the how and why the passive/active techniques work.

150 Best Eco House Ideas by Marta Serrats is a beautifully crafted book with lots of photographs. As a green designer, I always read books in my field and am delighted to report that this one did not disappoint. I have found many people to be daunted at the prospect of building green....how to do so, the costs, etc. This book makes doing so no longer a daunting task. Photographs feature homes built by internationally recognized architects and designers...there are some real beauties in this book. The book covers the heating and cooling systems in a home, including geothermal, wind, solar and passive solar. It also covers green materials to use throughout your home, from glass, to building materials and eco-friendly insulation. How to select sustainable materials, what flooring,

wall coverings and much more. The book also explains how materials that aren't green affect the environment and make for poor indoor air quality. 150 Best Eco House ideas makes going green a no-brainer....healthy for you and the environment. As a green designer, I also recommend HARMONIOUS ENVIRONMENT to help make green and stylish choices in furniture, accessories and cleaning products. Highly recommend!

I've purchased other books in this series and have been happy with the variety of homes shown. However, this book was disappointing in that the same design details were shown more than enough. Homes with wooden slat walls or dividers were constantly repeated throughout the book. Not much was said for the write ups on green-friendly building materials. The last section included random furnishings that had nothing to really contribute to the theme of the book.

I'll start off with the good aspects of this book.-cheap-easy read-interesting designs now the negative- might as well just do a Google image search because it's just pretty much just pictures.- Doesn't really help those who are looking to build. It's not a bad book but there is no more useful information in it than any green living website.

I'm really sorry, but I have to say that while I understand the concept behind this book, it falls well short of the mark from my point of view. The photography is of acceptable quality, but really for the amount of detail shown in them, they're really too small. This may be the fault of the publisher, not the author, because the physical size is really too small to display the photographs properly. There is a real lack of detailed text about each house, and the illustrations also suffer the same fate as the photographs- they're too small, and I would have appreciated much more detail in them. Personally I would have preferred a "50" or "75 Best Eco House Ideas" in a larger form factor with much more detail about each house, than what this is- an undersized, detail-lacking coffee table book.

This book has beautiful photography. I find the information about eco principles is very brief and the snippets don't relate clearly to the photographs. I was expecting to get photographs with explanatory notes on how the eco ideas were utilised in the designs. There are plans included but they are so small I have difficulty reading them. Recommended for the photography, but this is not an instructional book on eco principles.

This book has a few really good ideas in with other "look at me" presentations. Fortunately the really

good ideas are worth the read, but it is not really for most people looking for inspiration for an inexpensive modern home.

Basically this is a picture book, but a very good picture book. I enjoyed flipping through it several times for ideas. Wish there were just a little more information on some homes though. I did a few internet searches looking for more information on some houses I found interesting, there was not much available online.

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