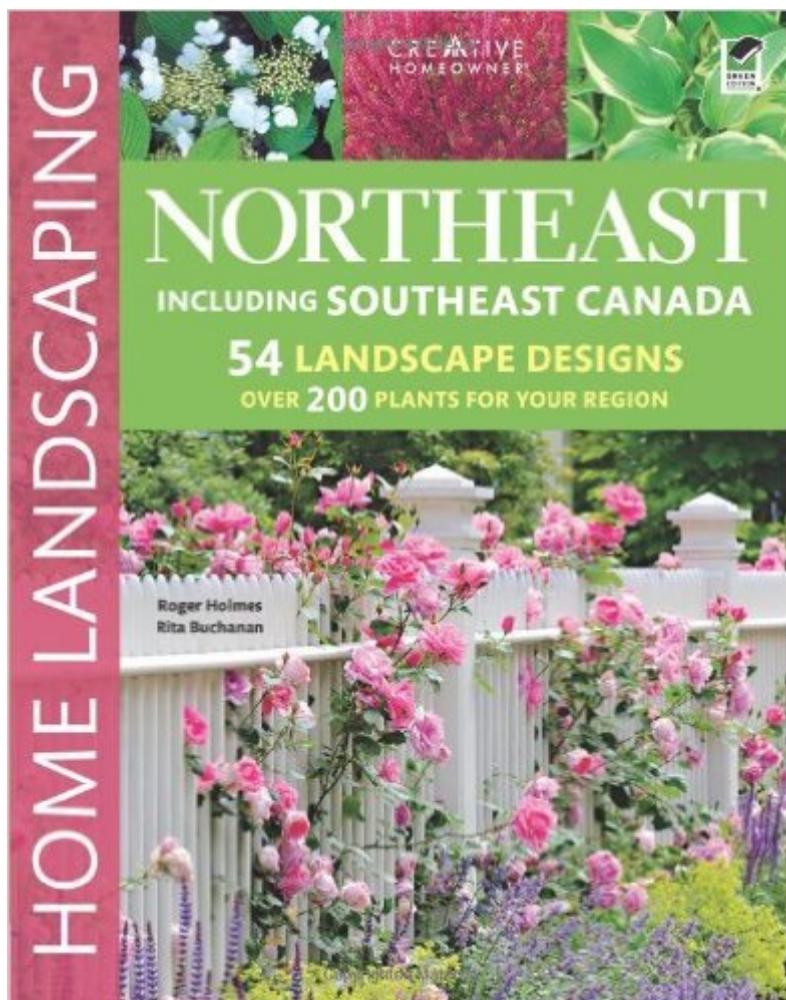


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# Northeast Home Landscaping, 3rd Edition: Including Southeast Canada



## Synopsis

Northeast Home Landscaping shows how to beautify 27 common landscape situations, such as front and back entries, walkways, borders, slopes, and patios. 54 design variations incorporate more than 200 of the best plants for the region. Readers also learn all they need to know to install the paths, fences, walls, arbors, and trellises that make up the designs. Step-by-step instructions show how to tackle each project. Plant descriptions also explain planting and care.

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## Customer Reviews

I live in the Northeast and am a novice gardener. This book is great because it gives you a lot of different garden plans, and let's you see what plants look good together and work well together in similar conditions. I also like that it shows a lot of the garden plans in different seasons, and in some cases shows you what your garden will look like when you plant it, then in five years, or ten years down the road. The book has a great index so you can cross reference and see the same plant in different gardens, and there's a great reference section at the end that tells you all about each plant. It also has one of the best sections I've seen on preparing your garden for planting.

This is by far the best gardening book that I have in my collection. Of the over 25 gardening books

in my library (I know, I have a problem...) this is the most helpful by miles. So many garden books are based in the South, or in California, where they are blessed with favorable weather and enviable USDA zones. This one is specific to us hardy souls who patiently stare out the window at the mounds of snow and dream about what will arrive come Spring. The plant suggestions are realistic. The layout ideas are numerous, well illustrated and in some cases shown during the different seasons. The glossary of plants is great -- pictures, descriptions, instructions and what to expect. Also included are detailed project plans and directions (walkways, patios, arbors, etc...) that are inspiring. I lent it to my dad, who "doesn't believe" in gardening books and I have been informed that I may well not be getting it back. In case it's not clear, I love this book. Highly recommended for gardeners in the Northeast.

I recently bought my first house (with five acres of land) in upstate NY and had been growing increasingly anxious about landscaping it as spring approached. To date, I have barely been successful in keeping a cactus alive and I didn't know the first thing about plants or gardening or the timeline I would need to follow in my hardiness zone. (Hardiness zone? What's a hardiness zone?) This book changed everything! It begins by explaining the hardiness zones in the northeast (with an illustration) and how they relate to planting. Then it discusses seasons and the evolution of a newly planted garden over the course of several years. After that, it dives right into a series of landscaping designs and layouts for different areas of your property. The thing that is so great about these designs is that they are extremely detailed. They tell you in what season the garden will be at its peak, whether it will work in a sunny or shady spot, and exactly which plants they suggest, including how many you should buy. Additionally, each design comes with a grid that shows how big the garden is so that you can scale it to the size of your space. Each plant that is referenced in a design includes a short description and page numbers for the "plant profile" at the back of the book. The plant profiles discuss plant care, maintenance, and other important details in greater depth. It is easy to flip back and forth from a design to the profiles while planning your garden. Toward the back of the book, there are detailed instructions for buying, planting, and pruning plants, as well as a great section on how to install stone walkways, arbors, retaining walls, and more. You couldn't ask for a more helpful guide to landscaping. I paired it with Month by Month Gardening in New York (a less comprehensive but also helpful manual) and I now feel completely confident tackling the numerous gardens and planters around my property!

I am currently in the midst of a major home landscaping project (the installation of terraces, shrubs,

flowers, tall trees and irrigation combined with masonry and outdoor lighting) and had no idea what my landscape architect was talking about until I purchased this book. It's a simple and easy reference guide that really gives a novice a thorough education of home landscaping. This book will tell you "what" to have planted "where" and "why". The garden design layouts are also very helpful for anyone seeking site design guidance. My landscape architect was very impressed with my newfound knowledge of plantings and it's completely due to this book. This is a must purchase if you're looking to do any type of landscaping in the Northeast!

"NORTHEAST" covers New York State and North into Southern Canada. The book descriptions do not define the exact area covered. Seems I should have searched for and selected the Mid-Atlantic book instead as I am in PA. How could I know? Being less than an hour from the NY border, I'll chance that there is not enough difference to make paying for return shipping worthwhile. For the differences there may be, I trust the plants listed should hold up better over a cold winter. Otherwise, seems like an informative easy to read book so far.

This is a good book to obtain ideas about how and what to plant for specific types of areas. I look forward to an update that describes flowering cycles of the plants used in the descriptions and more ideas for hard to plant areas such as large slopes, woodlands, etc.

This book has a fairly good listing of plants for northeastern gardens, as well as some great design ideas for a variety of lighting situations. Not the most thorough of listings, but a nice addition to my collection.

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