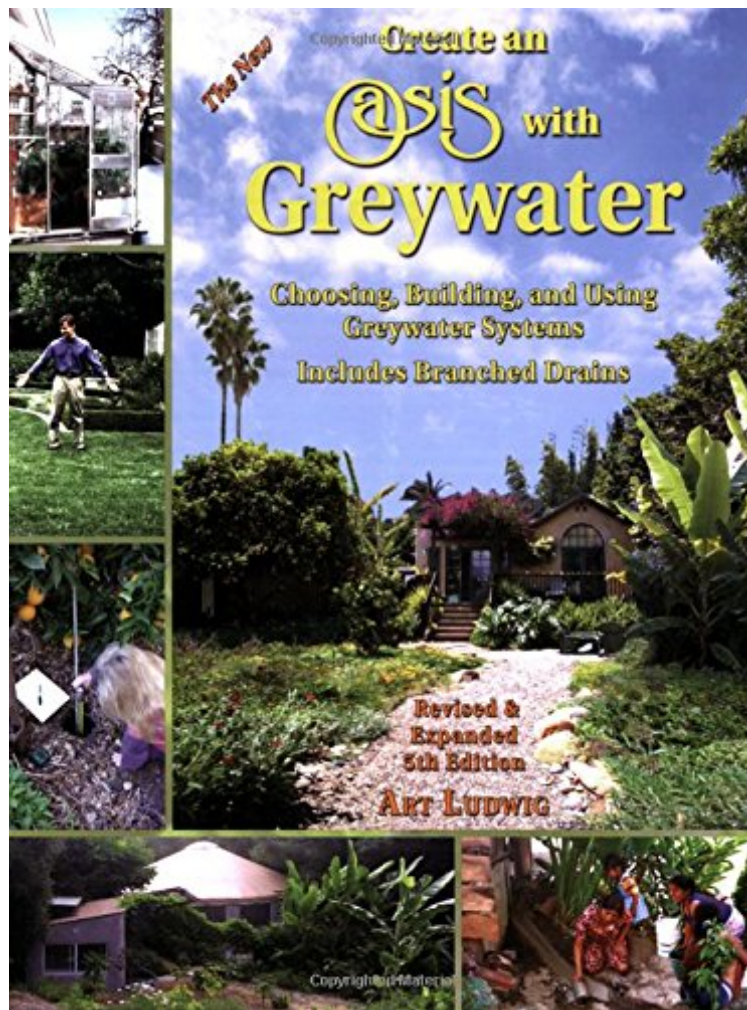


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plants and which ones I should absolutely avoid with my new system. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Take Full Control of your Water Lifecycle! By Mark L. Adams You can't be self sufficient just on the supply side. You can't say you are self sufficient until you have both sides covered. We've heard a wearying amount of haranguing about the amount of pollution we're expected to be responsible for, when in fact it is the centralized government mandated processing facilities that turns our perfectly good raw fertilizers into waterway poisons. Grey water is especially appropriate for feeding the soils that feed us, yet it's taken from us, chemically burned and dumped where it does not belong, in the limited fresh water supplies, which we are supposed to feel guilty for. We need to take this valuable resource back. How? This book "treats" the "disposal" side by showing you how to close the circle on the disposal end by converting it back into a supply. Just as composting recycles your organic solid wastes back into fertilizer, grey and black water systems do the same for liquid "waste". Grey water, everything that does not come from the toilet, is a separate, and much safer, easier "waste" water to treat and reuse at home versus the nasty black water that cannot be safely used directly on food crops. This title deals with it brilliantly, not only with technical expertise, but also in style, as it shows many stylistic ways the system can be disguised to look like an oasis garden, and even addresses the thorniest problems independence minded people face today, the meddlesome bureaucratic esthetics, health and zoning codes. You need this book, not only to reclaim your valuable nutrient laden effluent, but to reclaim some of your freedom with it! The fertilizer your new system will make is fertilizer you no longer have to buy, nor have to pay to have taken from you. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Just about ideal with a few important omissions. By Benjamin Rodman Lots of great information, making it relatively accessible for the layperson. A couple oversights: the book makes heavy use of "mulch basins" which is a wonderful concept. But it offers no guidelines for sizing them relative to your output... simply "large enough" which is totally unhelpful. Also it discusses only one plant zone, the one the author lives in. Plants for other climates are given nearly no consideration, nor is there much planning for areas that might freeze (much of the USA and world). Overall it really is a great resource, but could be the gold standard with a little more research (or even pointers on where to find this info).

Create an Oasis describes how to quickly and easily choose, build, and use a simple greywater system. Some can be completed in an afternoon for under \$30. It also provides complete instructions for more complex installations, how to deal with freezing, flooding, drought, failing septic, low perk soil, non-industrialized world conditions, coordinating a team of professionals to get optimum results on high-end projects, and "radical plumbing" that uses 90% less resources.

"Greywater for dummies and greywater encyclopedia in one information goldmine." -- Dan Chiras, author, The New Ecological Home; The Solar House Ludwig is a water visionary... The most practical and complete presentation of the subject I have seen." -- Michael MacCaskey, Editor-in-Chief, National Gardening From the Publisher Greywater is laundry, shower, sink, and dishwasher. It may be reused for other purposes, especially landscape irrigation. Create an Oasis with Greywater thoroughly covers all greywater basics. It will benefit everyone who is using or contemplating the use of greywater. This 5th edition of the world's best-selling greywater book includes 50 pages of new text, photos, and figures, as well as the entire text of our (former) Branched Drain Greywater Systems book. Create an Oasis shows you how to: * Save freshwater by irrigating with household washwater * Relieve strain on your septic tank * Purify wastewater better without energy or chemicals. Other topics include: * Why to use or not use grey water * Health guidelines * Grey water sources * Irrigation requirements * Twenty system examples and selection chart * Biocompatible cleaners * Grey water plumbing principles and components * Maintenance and troubleshooting * Freezing * Rain * Preserving soil quality * Storing rainwater * Compendium of common grey water errors and preferred practices * Suppliers * References. From the Author Most of the world's aquifers are being pumped faster than replenished, and all reservoirs are slowly diminishing in capacity as they fill with sediment. At the same time, natural surface waters and groundwaters are being degraded by the wastewater continually dumped into them. Greywater reuse enables you personally to do more with the same amount of water and to increase your water security. At the same time, your greywater reuse reduces the problems of supply and pollution for everyone. Any greywater system will realize some benefits, but obtaining all the potential benefits is trickier than it seems. Many pitfalls await the unwary. In the average installation, this book will pay for itself many times over in savings on construction, maintenance, and errors avoided. This book offers underlying design principles as well as design specifics. If you run into a situation not specifically covered, there's a good chance you'll be able to use these general principles to figure it out yourself. Most of the information otherwise available on greywater comes from vendors. Oasis Design doesn't sell greywater systems, so you don't have to worry that we're steering you toward stuff you don't need. Rather, we make our living by providing information to help people have a higher quality of life with lower environmental impact. Wishing you the best of luck with your projects, Art Ludwig