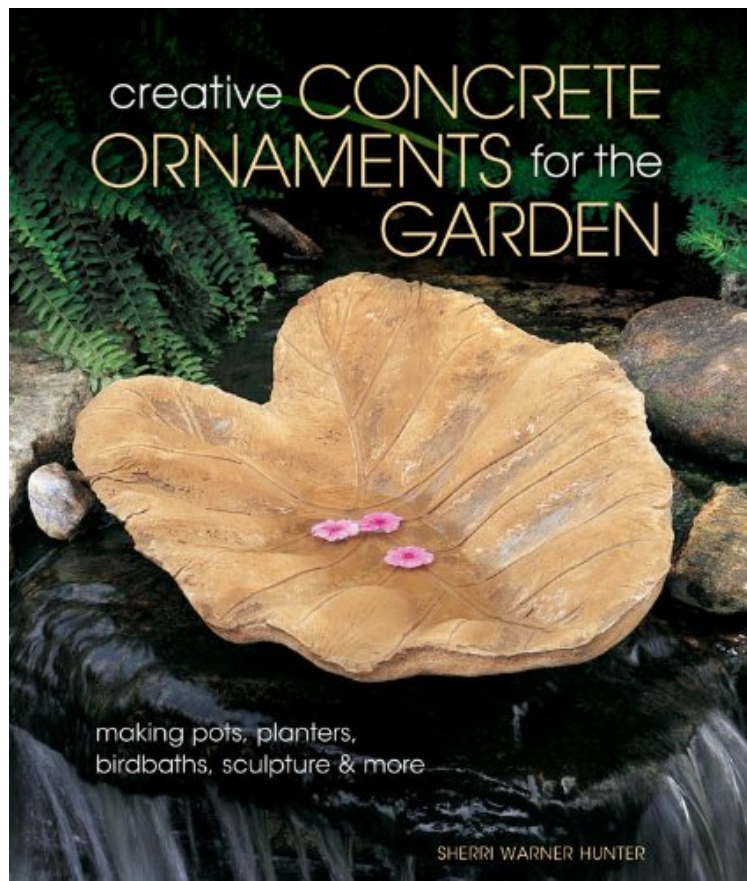


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Sherri Warner Hunter, author of the bestselling *Creating with Concrete*, proves once again that concrete isn't just for sidewalks anymore; it's perfect for the garden too. A selection of 30 beautiful designs suggests the range of this increasingly popular material, and the illustrated instructions make the craft's fundamentals easy to learn. The simplest projects come first, so beginners can work their way through the book progressively, building on their skills. Projects include a carved trough, sandcast bowl, elegant relief panel, and--for more skilled crafters--a decorative walkway, sculpture, and water feature.

From Booklist Hunter introduces the fundamentals of concrete within the context of craft, familiarizing novices with the tools, equipment, mixing methods, and safety precautions used with the most common general-purpose cement, Portland Type I. She moves from a brief history to discussions of aggregates such as pea gravel and marble chips to mixing and finishing, woodworking, and metalworking. Starting with the basic mix, readers will find recipes for 21 varieties, and an initial project: casting a simple bowl. Hunter moves on to flexible molds and various core materials used to produce landscape statuary and concrete columns. The basics of cement carving are covered, as are techniques for texturing the surfaces of outdoor chairs and garden sculpture. Each of 25 projects, advancing from beginning to intermediate and advanced, is explained step-by-step, while color photographs of details and settings enhance the imaginative possibilities suggested in this valuable garden craft volume. Whitney Scott Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved About the Author Sherri Warner Hunter is an author and mixed-media sculptor who has been working with concrete for over a decade. Since 1994, she has concentrated on creating large-scale public sculptures, and her work can be viewed at the Nashville International Airport, the children's courtyard of the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library, TN; and the TigerTown shopping complex in Opelika, AL. She lives in Bell Buckle, TN.