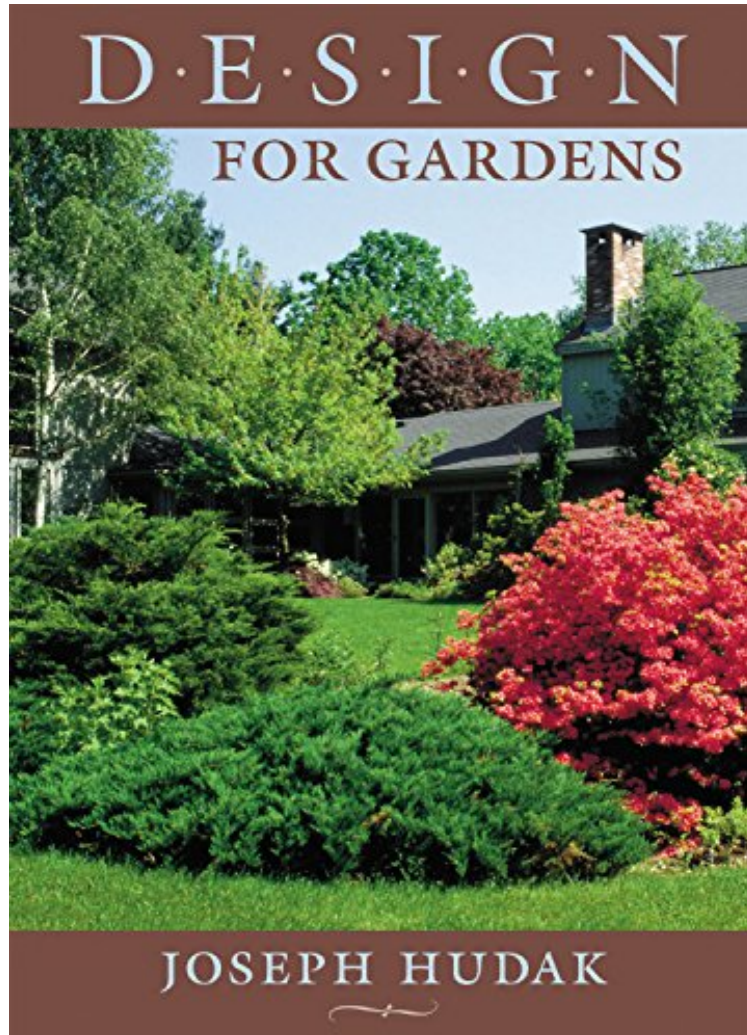


## Design for Gardens

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Successful garden designs offer a careful arrangement of form, texture, proportion, and color harmony. These basic principles are reflected not only in the plants chosen for the site but also in their interaction with the surrounding landscape and the architecture of the home. In these pages, the renowned landscape architect and horticulturist Joe Hudak provides an overview of design innovations through the ages and concludes with a personal account of his own five-year-long garden renovation project. He offers both philosophical and practical direction for creating aesthetically

pleasing and useful outdoor spaces. Whether you are looking to evergreen trees and shrubs to provide dense backdrops throughout the year, or deciduous trees for showy fall color and interesting shadow effects, or herbaceous perennials and annuals for splashes of color, advice is offered for selecting the right plant for the right situation, with emphasis on careful consideration of the desired effect and its appropriateness to the surrounding garden spaces. Rather than presenting a checklist of ornamental plants, Hudak offers basic tenets of garden design in an accessible yet thorough manner that allows any backyard gardener in any region to bring together the pieces for a satisfying and enjoyable landscape. Joe Hudak is also the author of our book, *Gardening with Perennials Month by Month*.

From *Library Journal* The essential elements of good garden design--form, layout, and balance between colors and textures--are all thoroughly covered in this newest book by landscape architect and writer Hudak (*Gardening with Perennials Month by Month*). An opening chapter on garden innovations through the centuries leads the way to chapters on evaluating, planning, and designing one's own garden. Hudak pays particular attention to individual details such as incorporating water features, fences, hedges, terraces, etc., and devotes detailed sections to each. He then discusses specific types of plants, such as evergreens and perennials, and shows how these plants should effectively be used in the landscape design. A concluding chapter gives a personal account of how the author developed his own garden over the course of five years. An appealing aspect of the book is that it does not focus on any geographic area, so the advice can be used by any gardener. Generously illustrated with photographs, many from the author's own garden, this book should be an essential purchase for garden collections.-Phillip Oliver, Univ. of North Alabama Lib., Florence Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From *Booklist* When embarking on the goal of making a garden, it is all too easy to gather an assemblage of plants from mail-order nurseries or garden centers. Yet the more challenging, often perplexing subject of garden design must still be addressed. Hudak's visually enticing guide commences with a historical overview of the art of gardening. Taking inspiration from that introduction, readers can follow along as Hudak proceeds through essential design practices: evaluating the site, deciding on a style, and identifying those unique features that will transform the space into a distinctive sanctuary. Subsequent chapters encompass how to map a plan, create aesthetic unity, and select plant material. Gardeners can look to this distinguished landscape architect and horticulturist to both provide a wealth of ideas and impart the practical information that will help pave the way to creating a lovely new or refurbished garden space. Alice Joyce Generously illustrated with photographs, many from the author's own garden, this book should be an essential purchase for garden collections.

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