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Garden Design with Stone, Wood, Glass & Steel

Inspirational and practical design ideas and techniques using hard landscaping materials

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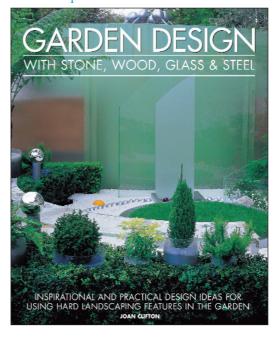
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A garden is predominantly about plants and nature, but the hard landscaping is what gives it form and shape, providing a sense of order and architectural design, and introducing scale. This innovative book explores the character of materials available for outdoor construction, looking at natural materials such as stone, wood and clay; composites such as concrete, glass and metals; and new technology synthetics. The author also looks at unconventional materials such as untreated twigs and vines, and reclaimed objects. Each chapter examines the uses for which materials are most appropriate and works through structural and performance considerations to help you explore the options available.

The book features hard landscaping ideas to appeal to all styles and tastes, such as polished limestone flooring; smart timber decking; moulded concrete furniture; stainless steel walkways; ceramic mosaic wall tiles; and dynamic Perspex screens. With over 300 beautifully evocative photographs this is an invaluable sourcebook of cutting-edge ideas for modern, low-maintenance gardens.

About the Author

Joan Clifton is a professional horticulturalist whose career has encompassed the worlds of fashion, architecture and theatre design. With a strong sense of sculptural design and a passion for plants, she established her company, Avant Garden, in 1991, to specialize in architecturally inspired garden furniture and artefacts. She is a regular exhibitor at the Chelsea Flower Show, in England, and at other international events and is a consultant for the trade garden show, Fifth Room.



- An exploration of contemporary hard landscaping solutions for gardens, courtyards and terraces, using stone, wood, concrete, glass, metals, clay, synthetics and organic materials
- Presents a range of stunning creative ideas for flooring, surfaces, screens and boundaries, construction, furniture, containers and sculpture
- Illustrates a range of styles and textures to customize your garden so that it meets the practical needs of your lifestyle
- "The garden has become the new haven in which to express personal creativity. Joan Clifton's book brings a fresh approach to incorporating innovative materials into your outside space ... A 'must-buy' for everyone searching for contemporary ideas." Therese Lang, Westonbirt Festival of the Garden, UK

