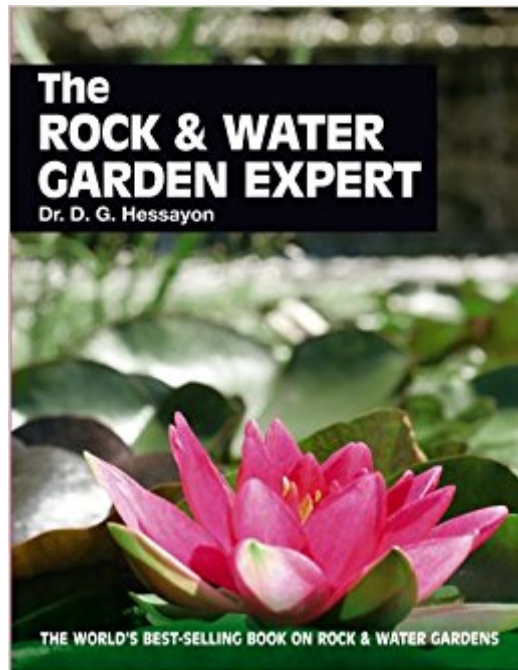




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Synopsis

The first easy-to-follow guide to achieving beautiful results with these fascinating garden features. Containing the most up-to-date, sound and practical advice, it will teach you how to build or improve a rockery, make a scree or sink garden, and choose the right plants to liven up your patio or backyard, with a special A-Z feature of rock garden plants. You'll also learn about water, water features, lighting, aquatic plants and fish. Complete with full-color charts and photographs.

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Customer Reviews

"Mug up on the subject. Start with something practical and general, such as Dr Hessayon's Rock & Water Expert" Daily Telegraph

Dr Hessayon's best-selling guides have had an unparalleled influence on gardening over the past 50 years. There are over 52 million copies in print. In 1999 he received a Guinness World Record Award as 'Britain's best-selling living author of the 1990s'. In 2012 he was included in the Daily Mail list of '60 truly great Elizabethans' for 'teaching millions of us how to garden'.

This book is an excellent reference for the beginner or expert rock and water garden enthusiast. This book shows how one can build a pond, stock it with plants and fish and contains a good compilation of rock plants with which to surround the pool. There is also a section covering lighting

of the pond and water garden problems. Highly recommend it.

In this world of internet resources, there is still a great pleasure in sitting out on your back porch, sipping a glass of tea and paging through gorgeous full color photos to plan out your next addition or improvement to your garden. Author D. G. Hessayon does a great job of providing great information and full color photos for anyone interested in setting up a rock or water garden. The plant area has complete information on each plant type, along with both a full color photo and a full color drawing of the plant. That lets you both see the foliage in "real life textures" as well as get the more precise details from the drawing. You learn how to propagate them, what soil they best grow in, and much more. There are of course the technical details about how to set up a pond of different styles and materials, how the pumps work, and how to winterize. There are overviews of the creatures a pond might attract (frogs, newts) as well as an overview of good fish to put into your pond. Really, though, as good as these details are, you can find them in many other places. The bulk of the book is with the plants and their care. I definitely enjoy paging through this in the back yard, vs hunched over a computer screen. Well recommended for anyone looking into adding or expanding their gardens!

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