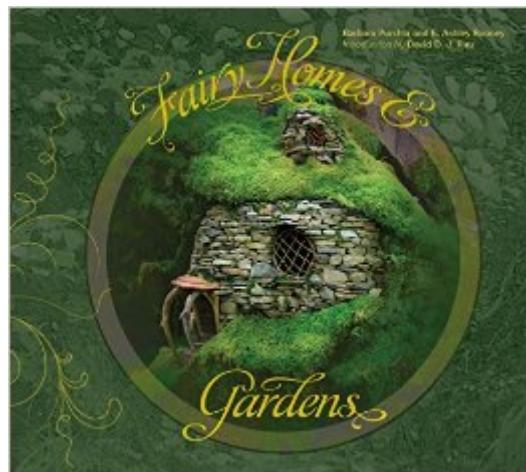


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# Fairy Homes And Gardens



## Synopsis

Many supernatural creatures are said to inhabit our world. Their magical, wonderland realm has been the subject of many books, movies, and our childhood dreams. In this richly illustrated book, 30 designers from around the world transform natural settings into enchanting displays that recreate that sense of wonder. Using artificial flowers, fabric, sticks, wire, crystals, berries, acorns, baskets, and polymer clay, these designers have been inspired to create their own once upon a time fairy home and garden for special events, storytelling, or just because they believe in fairies. In doing so, they tap into our inner child and help us to imagine a new world. This is a wonderful resource for designers and artists, as well as parents, teachers, or anyone looking to create their own magical place.

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## Customer Reviews

Illustrated with beautiful photographs, 'Fairy Homes and Gardens' offers lush eye candy for those who love fairies and elves or simply enjoy a touch of whimsy. As a coffee table book and a source of inspiration, it's delightful. The homes pictured range from the ephemeral, such as Sally J. Smith's leaf and flower creations, to the longlasting, like Beth Wittig's moss-roofed Claddagh house, made from an old birdhouse and a sturdy stump. Some are incredibly intricate, others much simpler; there are tiny cottages and fantastic castles, like Rob Hurd's amazing (and large) Bough Houses, which remind one of a cross between Hogwarts and the Burrow. The gardens are similarly varied, and their settings range from a large broken flowerpot to beside a woodland stream. The

book begins with a section on fairy lore, which tacitly invites readers to discard their skepticism and enjoy believing in fairies again; depending on your tastes, you may find this whimsical or merely somewhat twee. What the book ISN'T is a how-to. Only one page spread offers anything resembling instructions on how to create the garden that you see pictured. If you're interested in creating your own fairy homes or gardens, you'll find plenty of photos to spark ideas, but hopefully you already have some crafting experience to go with your imagination. Almost all the homes and gardens in the book are created by artists and craftspeople who have been doing this sort of work for a while, and the level of skill exhibited is often daunting. However, as long as you don't go in expecting instructions for beginners, 'Fairy Homes and Gardens' is a visual treat. Note: I received an e-ARC from the publisher, but I would highly recommend the print version over the ebook, due to the visual nature of the book. REVIEW ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED on The Bookwyrm's Hoard (bookwyrmshoard.com)

My favorite book of fairy houses yet! This review is coming directly from a builder, collector and lover of fairy houses whose work is not in the book so I'm not biased. <http://fairyhouses.weebly.com/> This book is so comprehensive and includes many photos of different styles of various fairy artists' work. It's not a children's story book, rather a portal for adults like me who love to be swept into magical worlds at the turn of the page. Certainly a treasure I will keep discovering something new in. Thank you!

I'm going to do this review more like a cookbook review because it's a book of photos. There's no real written content, no plot and really you either like the topic or you don't. If you're not a Fairy Garden person there's nothing I can say that will make you interested in this book (unless maybe how to get a fairy to give you gold or something). That being said - I loved this book. I love miniatures and have been wanting to make my own fairy garden since seeing some on Pinterest. So, when I saw this book come up on NetGalley I couldn't hit request fast enough. One thing I want to be very clear on is that this is not a How-To book. There are no laid out projects or how to turn something into something else in step by form. There's really not any suggestions for a regular reader in the book itself. There are, however, pictures. Tons of pictures. Glorious pictures. There are pictures of beautiful detailed fairy gardens in tree stumps, flower pots, bird cages, chairs, and anything else you can think of. There is a little caption about each paragraph - who made it, where it is, and sometimes details about the materials used. While there is no instructions there is tons of inspiration. With all the looks and materials used there is going to be something that works for

you. Full review:

<http://iwishilivedinalibrary.blogspot.com/2014/10/fairy-homes-and-gardens-review.html>

What a beautiful book, quality throughout with gold swirl design on cover and throughout book. Cover and pages are very nice, thick and sturdy, quality, quality, quality. The photos are beautiful. Excellent and impressive as a gift. I stumbled across this while browsing other items and have absolutely fallen in love with fairy houses and fairy gardens. I've abandoned my Victorian dollhouse project to embrace the magical (outdoor) land of fairies. This will become a fun project for my granddaughter and I, because...we believe. Lol

I enjoy crafting and have found this book a treasure trove of inspirational ideas. It's not a how-to book as previous reviews have already noted, but I'm able to recreate some of the vignettes adding my own personal touch by using the book's photos for inspiration.

This is a sweet little book that would make the perfect coffee table book for the artist or fantasy lover in your life. It's filled with photographs that will inspire you to make your own fairy home. I was a bit disappointed in this book. I expected it to have detailed instructions on how to design a fairy home and garden. Instead, each group of photos is accompanied by commentary from the featured artist. The photographs are detailed enough that an artistic person can figure out ways to construct a home and garden for their favorite fey. And the photos certainly are inspirational and will guide artists' imaginations to make something all their own. However, if you're looking for a craft book, this isn't it. A copy of this book was provided free by the publisher and NetGalley in exchange for an honest review.

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