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Keshiki Bonsai: The Easy, Modern Way To Create Miniature Landscapes



Synopsis

Traditional bonsai can be complicated, time consuming, and expensive. Keshiki bonsai is different. Gone are the confusing rules. There's no need to wait for years until your bonsai is ready, or to worry that you might kill some ancient, precious plant. Keshiki bonsai is about taking inspiration from a natural scene and creating a living piece of art using easily available plants and small containers. Anyone can do it! Just follow the clear step-by-step instructions and you'll have an exquisite bonsai that will enliven any style of room. This dazzling book features 37 stylish projects with simple, step-by-step instructions that anyone can follow. The projects start simple, with five designs that feature moss combined with unique containers. Readers then move on to six designs combining moss, small trees, and containers. The next ten projects add perennials to the mix, and the final ten projects have it all: moss, trees, perennials, and stones. Each project is made with a wide variety of containers, from the most delicate, artisan clay to a repurposed ramekin and a simple box

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This book provided more examples than needed for plain moss containers (one would have been enough), but skimmed on details when the more complicated plants were covered. For example, I was disappointed that the need of most conifers to experience a cold, dormant period was not mentioned. You can follow the author's advice to make your small treasures, but keeping them alive is another problem entirely, and I feel he didn't say enough about the needs of plants cultivated

indoors. Still, it gives plenty of creative ideas; just don't use it as your only resource.

This book is so beautiful. I sometimes have a hard time finding the exact stones and soils that Mr. Kobayashi uses but I am always very inspired when I flip through. I hope one day to visit his shop in Japan!

I love this book, it is full of rich colors, personal stories, as well as tons of informative information on keshiki bonsai and unique ways to create your own. I was very happy that there is a plant guide in the back as well that helps you choose appropriate plants for your area and how to care for them.

This is a great book on a different type of Bonsai. It is well written; photos are very good; directions and resources are excellent. This is a must-have book for the Bonsai Enthusiast.

The book was very interesting and I will be making a garden. I was expecting a little more in the way of training the plants but that is not really what Keshiki Bonsai is about. Glad I got it.

I am very happy with the book so far, I have not had a chance to really read it yet as a friend has borrowed the book the very day it arrived. But I was able to browse through it and it did appear that it would be what I was looking for when I ordered it.

I like the stray away from the more traditional presentations in other Bonsai text and find the minimalist and miniature approach much more accessible and achievable. I have 2 pieces looking great and inspired in the small pot techniques. loved it bbk

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