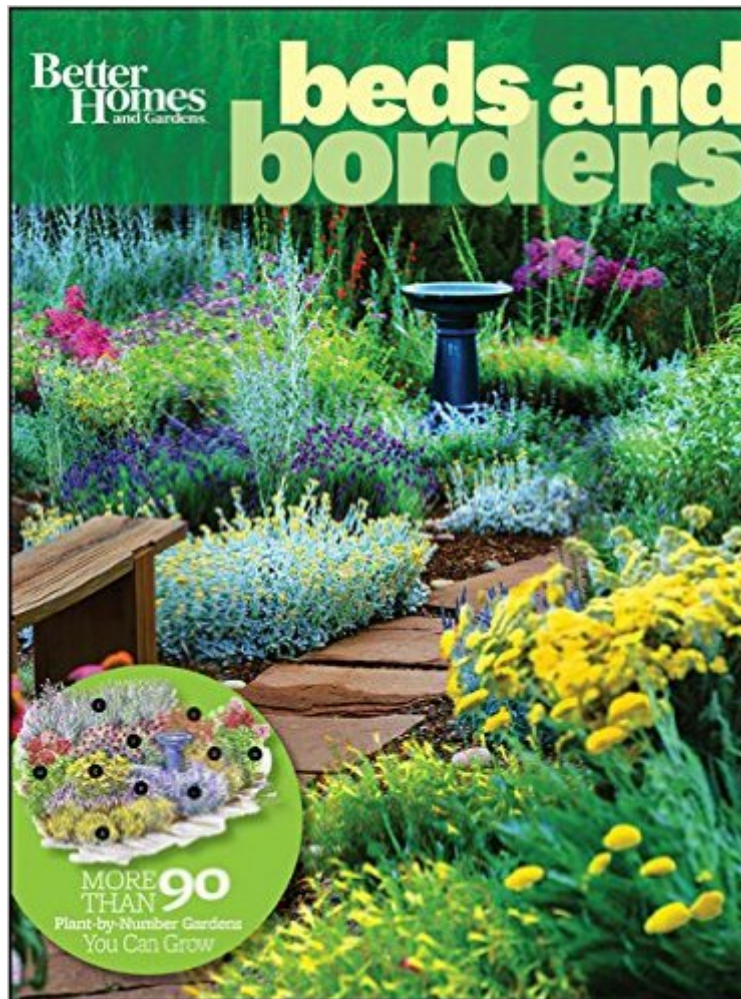


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# Beds & Borders (Better Homes And Gardens Gardening)



## Synopsis

A highly illustrated, plant-by-numbers guide to planning and planting your ideal garden. Whether you're planning your first garden or want to try something new without all the trial and error, *Beds and Borders* provides easy, step-by-step, illustrated plans for more than ninety garden projects. Each project comes complete with an inspirational color photo and an overhead-plan-view planting plan with a planting grid to show correct spacing and plant size. A plant list accompanies each project and doubles as a shopping list, making it simple and easy to gather all your supplies and plants in one quick trip to your local garden supply store. Features more than ninety garden projects and more than 300 photos and illustrations. Includes simple, well-illustrated, step-by-step instructions. Provides informative tips and hints, including descriptions of the best plants for specific circumstances, regional notes for ways to adapt gardens for various regions across the country, and frugal gardening suggestions. Offers problem-solution features that detail regional notes to explain the best plants for particular regions and garden plans for difficult-to-landscape features like slopes and shade. For first-timers and green thumbs alike, *Beds and Borders* offers something for every gardener.

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## Customer Reviews

I decided to check out Better Homes and Gardens *Beds and Borders* because I like the magazine and need some ideas for flower beds on the front of my house and by my patio. The book contains sketches of a plant layout and plant list for different plans along with a sketch of what the garden

would look like at maturity. There are sections on: Containers Solutions for various sites- shady, drought, slopes Color Combo Ideas Roses Cottage Gardens Formal Gardens Entrances Edible Attracting Birds and Hummingbirds Overall I thought that the book had some nice ideas, but there were only a few pages devoted to creating a bed to go around your house. Most of the bed ideas are for floating beds or beds that would sit on their own. I think that this book is worth checking out from the library, but I don't see that it would be that valuable for buying. The BHG website has lots of plans you can look at online and if you have ever looked at those this is a fairly similar concept.

Although I have been gardening for a few years now, I still consider myself a novice gardener. I love this book because it helps me be more organized in my design for the yard. The pictures are beautiful and I love the drawn design plans. Very good information and well organized and laid out. If you like BHG and are a novice to intermediate gardener, you might find this book as helpful as I do.

I loved this book. It's got the layouts in 3 mediums so one will appeal to you. They show it just in layout format, drawing of the actual flowers, and finally a photograph of the same flower bed. Love seeing it in the 3 views. Only thing I would have liked is they show how long each plant is in bloom. I found myself having to go to other resources as I start to look for ideas on what to plant.

Excellent, easy-to-read and understand book about beautifying your landscape at a reasonable cost. Even if you aren't a gardener per se, you could use this book as instruction for a professional landscaper. Large, clear color photographs show the full effect of plantings.

The designs are very plant specific. It would be nice if the book gave some substitutions or other examples of plants that could be used. The book definitely does give plenty of designs to choose from and for almost every situation. It's a book worth sharing with friends

I just bought a large (50' x 150') empty lot next door to me and needed ideas to "dress it up". Since I wanted to do primarily perennials, this book is a godsend! There are plans for several different beds/borders for all kinds of locations. Since this lot is partly in full sun, partial shade and full shade I now have solutions for each of these areas! I'm not going to do everything at once, just as I can afford it, but I now can have a comprehensive plan for everything.

I have never gardened before. In fact, I'd say I have more of a black thumb than a green one. I bought this book, because it had zoning information (what grows well where) in it. It also has some great ideas and layouts for do it yourself gardens. This was great for me as I have no experience with anything. By using this book, I has a successful small garden which was a huge success for me.

Rec'd the book quickly with no problem. Love this book! I like the variety of plans, easy-to-follow directions and numbering system for laying out the plants, trees and flowers. Can't wait to make it a reality!

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