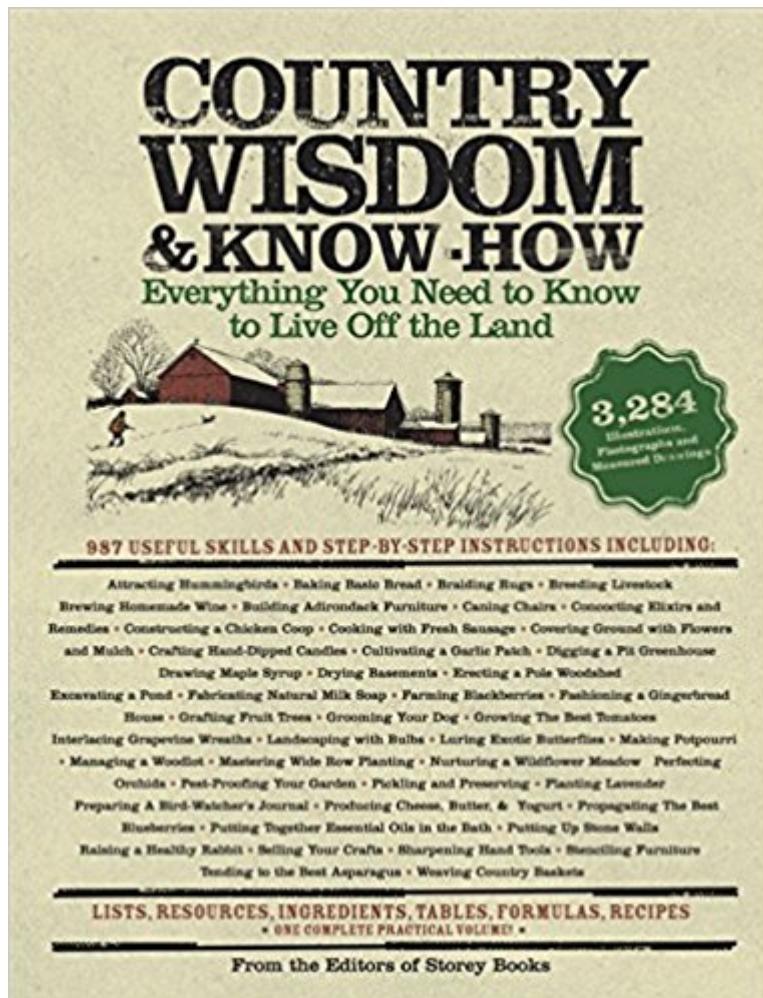


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Synopsis

Reminiscent of the classic Whole Earth Catalog, Country Wisdom & Know-How is the most complete volume on every aspect of country and self-sustained living-from home and garden to barn and beyond. Compiled from the information in Storey Publishing's landmark series of "Country Wisdom Bulletins," this comprehensive collection offers step-by-step instructions on nearly 200 individual topics, providing everything you need to know about sustainability, self-sufficiency, homesteading, and DIY living. Topics include: Animals: attracting backyard birds; building bathhouses and birdfeeders; training and caring for cats and dogs; raising rabbits, ducks, and game birds; buying and selling horses; building chicken coops; beginning beekeeping; butchering livestock Cooking: recipes for all seasons; the basics of bread baking; making cheese, butter, and yogurt; cooking game; preserving and pickling; homebrew equipment and making homemade wine Crafts: stenciling, quilting, and basket-weaving; making wreaths, potpourri, and natural soaps; homemade gifts and decorations Gardening: starting your garden; caring for flowers and shrubs; controlling weeds; landscaping; growing vegetables, root crops, fruits, berries, kitchen herbs, and more Health and Wellbeing: natural home remedies; herbs for lifelong health; essential oils and aromatherapy; teas and recipes for a healthy diet Home: simple home repairs; building furniture; restoring hardwood floors; making curtains; building fences, root cellars, and smokehouses And much more! Nearly 2,000 black-and-white illustrations, diagrams, and photographs complement these fascinating projects, and trusted advice on every page makes this the most thorough and reliable volume of its kind.

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Storey Publishing, located in North Adams, Massachusetts, is one of the most respected and trusted publishers in the categories of country living, crafts, pets, and animals.

You can read this every day and probably not ever take it all in, but it is well worth the money for those who want to be prepared to survive anything that is coming.

Good book. Lots of great information, and fun ideas.. except that I was disappointed when I got it, as I thought that ALL of the Storey's Pamphlets.. and it didn't. Also, it is directed towards more modern 'country'.. requiring most products and materials to be purchased from hobby stores and such, and doesn't really emphasize the country aspect to me. Although it does have wonderful information, and really neat projects, I would have liked to see more..Another thing.. if you have bad eyes, or wrists I would suggest getting a good pair of reading glasses and/or a magnifying glass along with this book, and for those with Carpal Tunnel or Arthritis.. Definitely break out the wrist braces for holding this HUGE book upright while reading. I've found that by sitting in the recliner and propping the book up against my thighs or on a pillow, it eases the strain of holding such a large book. Aside from all this, I would definitely recommend buying this book, and also, I bought this normally \$20 book, for only \$4 used through , and was VERY pleased with the condition.. If it had more information I would probably be willing to pay more..

I've heard from others that the print is very small. They weren't kidding! The print is readable, but sort of a pain the bum to keep reading after a few pages. Oh, and be careful with the pages, they're like phonebook paper- very thin and very ripable. Printing, etc. issues aside, The wisdom itself is great! I actually used the tips mentioned when we had a week-long power outage. If you're a city-slicker (like me) then you're going to need this once you get out into the boonies, lol. It covers everything I could think of and then some. As I continue my quest to live the country lifestyle, I find myself turning to this book more and more.

There's a ton of information in here. I don't fully agree with their advice on training dogs. Other than that it seems to be chock full of good stuff.

Great book, but I agree with other reviewers that the publisher should make a larger print version as an option. I would have paid a bit more for print that was easier to read. Not everyone can easily read the tiny print. Other than that it's full of useful info.

This book is awesome. I even bought a second one that I offered to a friend who is moving to Asheville. If you are not lucky to have parents or grandparents that can transmit you a knowledge acquired over a life time, on how to work with animals, how to cook, how to do gardening, how to craft, how to fix your home or how to use natural remedies to treat without medication common ailments, then, this book is for you. It is filled with practical and easy to follow advises. It is full of useful informations. This book will help you become autonomous, and it will make you save time, money. It is best for someone who feels like living in the countryside, growing his/her own food, building his/her dream place and enjoy a real and genuine lifestyle.

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