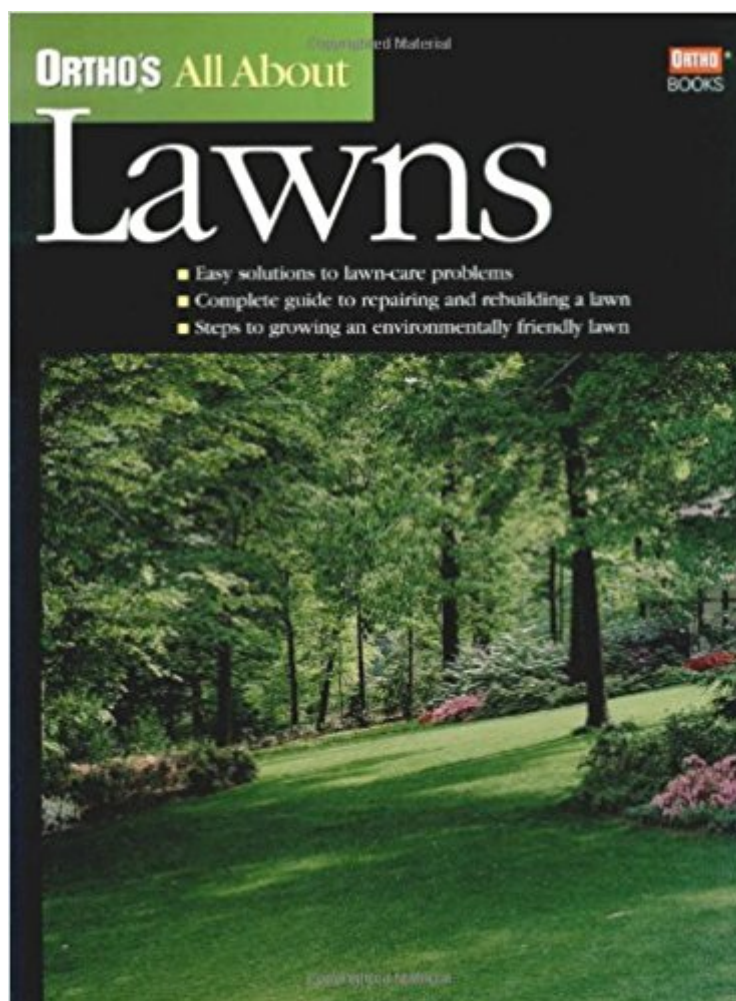


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# Ortho's All About Lawns (Ortho's All About Gardening)



## Synopsis

Offers detailed plans for growing a great lawn. Tells readers how to identify grasses in their own lawn so proper care can be given. Complete guide for repairing or rebuilding a lawn. Teaches readers how to match their maintenance plans with their personal time schedules. Discusses tools and how to use them. Shows readers how to get a checkerboard pattern seen on athletic fields.

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## Customer Reviews

I HIGHLY recommend this book to anyone getting at all serious about lawn care. It's truly worth every penny and then some! And actually, since a used one really only costs a penny (+ 3.99 for shipping), I would say that it's worth tens of thousands times more than it's actual price. Anyhow, one of the things it recommends for both weed control and just general lawn health is frequent mowings (and, with that, never taking more than 1/3 of the blade's total length off the top). This, I have found, is the most useful and important piece of advice I would give to anybody who wants a nicer lawn: mow at least once a week throughout the growing season and twice (if you can) during the cooler growing months of Spring and Fall (i.e. April, May, September, and October). Now, I don't know how many of you enjoy mowing the lawn, but I surely do. (In fact, I find it therapeutic.) And so, more frequent mowings, for me, isn't a burden. I realize that others would not feel the same of course, but I maintain that this is the single most useful thing to remember about lawn care. The idea behind more frequent mowings for weed control is that, when you mow just a little bit off the top, it encourages the grass to spread out more, thereby covering more ground, and helping to crowd out any weeds that might be trying to take hold. Additionally, it leads to a healthier and hardier lawn all

around and one that needs less watering. Also, a healthier lawn will be more resistant to weed killers and such when you do need to apply them. The book has loads of other information, all of which I have found indispensable to my lawn care regiment. That said, the more frequent mowings and the "No More Than 1/3 Rule" are the two most valuable gems that I gleaned from its pages. In fact, I don't use chemical weed killers at all anymore, just a dandelion digger.

This book provided a good overview of lawns. There were many clear color pictures included, and the text was simple to read. I would have preferred a little more detail for the techniques described in the book. For instance, aerating was given only a paragraph or two and didn't have details on tools, spacing, or depth. This book, however, detailed information on how to read a grass seed or fertilizer label. This book is good for a novice, but if you want to get serious about your lawn, find a book with more details and that is more up to date.

I'm a landscaper and this is my primary go to reference book for lawns. It is so simple but has so much useful knowledge. Definitely a good investment.

As a landscape pro I found this book useful good explanation of turf I would refer this book to anyone who is interested in lawn care

Given as gifts to new home owners so they don't have to use mine It help them understand new lawns and how to maintain them.

The book is in great condition. This book is a great starter book for any beginner in yard care or decorating.

Exactly what was described.

I just bought my house and have a 2 acre lawn. This book taught me everything I needed to know to get started on building a great looking lawn. All aspects of lawn care from seed selection, fertilizers, insecticides and pest eradication to mower blade heights and turf types. Lots of pictures. A must have reference book for anyone looking to take better care of their lawns, establish a new lawn, or repair problem lawns. I take this book with me to nurseries and Home Depot when I need to select fertilizers, seeds and insecticides. After reading this book I can hold conversations with my

Brother-In Law who is a professional landscaper. He's amazed at the amount of information I have.

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