

# Shelter (The Shelter Library Of Building Books)



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## Synopsis

Shelter is many things - a visually dynamic, oversized compendium of organic architecture past and present; a how-to book that includes over 1,250 illustrations; and a Whole Earth Catalog-type sourcebook for living in harmony with the earth by using every conceivable material. First published in 1973, Shelter remains a source of inspiration and invention. Including the nuts-and-bolts aspects of building, the book covers such topics as dwellings from Iron Age huts to Bedouin tents to Togo's tin-and-thatch houses; nomadic shelters from tipis to "housecars"; and domes, dome cities, sod iglus, and even treehouses. The authors recount personal stories about alternative dwellings that illustrate sensible solutions to problems associated with using materials found in the environment - with fascinating, often surprising results.

## Book Information

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"How very fine it is to leaf through a 176 page book on architecture - from baliwicks to zomes - and find no palaces, no pyramids, or temples, no cathedrals, skyscrapers, Kremlins, or Pentagons in sight... Instead, a book of homes, habitations for human beings in all their infinite variety."-Edward Abbey

"Shelter is a must not only for those actively engaged in house building, but for everyone who understands that lifestyle begins at home - that we are, after all, where we live."-Rolling Stone

"It's time to educate the

architects. To that extent this book on shakes and wattle and daub is the most revolutionary architecture book around..."-Architecture in Australia" How very fine it is to leaf through a 176-page book on architecture -- and find no palaces, no pyramids or temples, no cathedrals, skyscrapers, Kremlins or Pentagons in sight...instead, a book of homes, habitations for human beings in all their infinite variety."

Have always enjoyed this resource...they keep 'walking away' and glad to have one again.

This is a fun, informative and slightly disorganized look at shelter. It was published in the same time period as the "Whole Earth Catalog" and has the same look and feel. The book was designed for someone who was returning to the land or wanted to create a more self reliant life style. I originally purchased this for a particular teaching project but will keep it for my own personal enjoyment. Much of the information can still be used and obviously some is dated but can be a good starting point of research. For me it is a wonderful little time capsule that I love to thumb through and read.

I was disappointed that this new edition seems to have fewer and smaller photos.

This book is incredible! It has LARGE pages and each one is jammed with good stuff. An anthropological look at human shelter. And should really resonate today with any DIY'rs, homesteaders, and tiny house enthusiasts. A real gem.

Encountered this book at a Costa Rican boutique Eco Lodge and fell in love. Amazing illustrations and very interesting. Works as a reference or coffee table book.

Beautiful and a good resource for teachers who are introducing natural building techniques or Shelter into grade three.

Beautiful book with an overwhelming amount of ideas and know-how. If you are interested in building your own castle, this is a must!

Very informative and helpful, but also lets you use your imagination

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