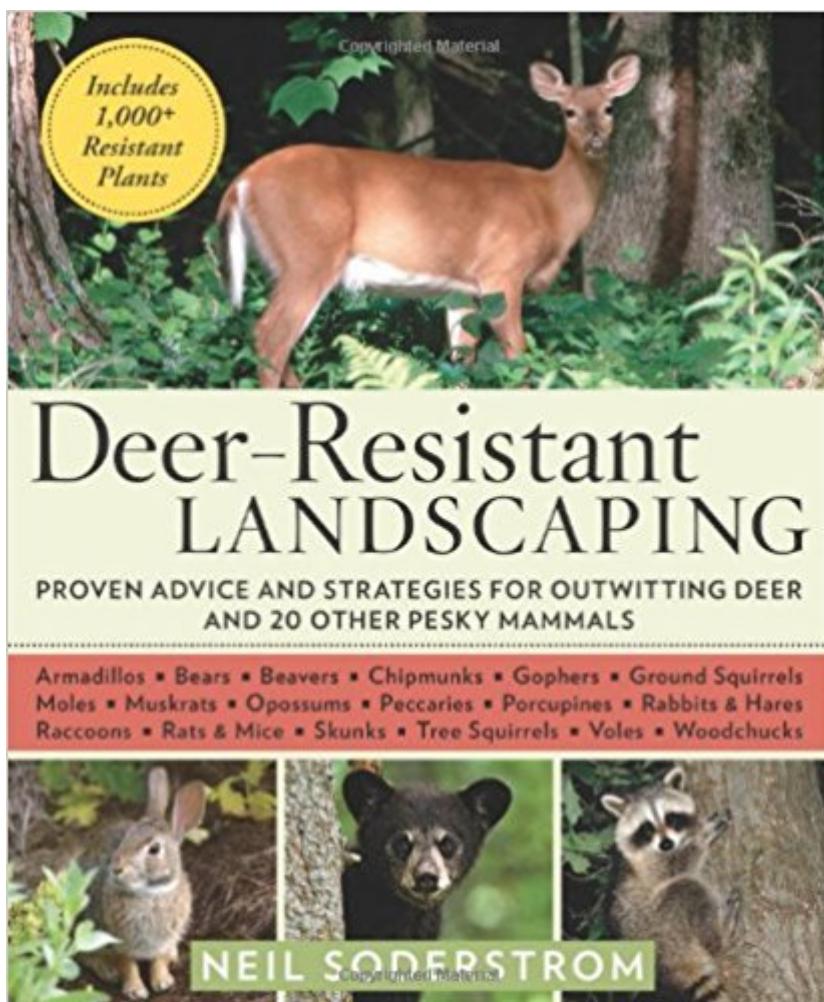


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# Deer-Resistant Landscaping: Proven Advice And Strategies For Outwitting Deer And 20 Other Pesky Mammals



## **Synopsis**

Every year, before they decide to take defensive action, vulnerable homeowners throughout North America suffer expensive damage as deer and various other pesky mammals devour their gardens and landscape plants. *Deer-Resistant Landscaping* by Neil Soderstrom arms homeowners with the proven strategies they need to repel and combat deer and 21 other troubling pests, from armadillos, chipmunks, and gophers to rabbits, raccoons, skunks, and squirrels. Outstanding features include: - strategies for every season and every size pestâ • from simple, low-cost home remedies, scare tactics, and deterrents to live trapping, barriers, and community action procedures suitable for more intense problems - interviews with and tips from regional gardening and wildlife control experts from coast to coast - encyclopedic coverage of more than 1,000 resistant plantsâ •especially those least likely to be grazed upon or destroyed by deer, based on scientific studies and a consensus of gardening authorities throughout the continent - stunning full-color wildlife photography featuring deer and pest behaviors as well as solutions and deterrents With more than 400 of the author's own gorgeous wildlife photos as well as ones by the legendary naturalist Dr. Leonard Lee Rue III, the most published wildlife photographer in North America, *Deer-Resistant Landscaping* provides the most wide-ranging, authoritative, and helpful information on this topic ever assembled in one volume.

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The title of this book understates what it provides. It is about much more than deer -- rats, voles, woodchucks, and many other animals are covered. Usually when I research a problem varmint, I find either natural history (animal habit info) or pest control information. I rarely find the two integrated together as they are in this book. I own an Audubon Society book on mammals, which is good to understand how they live in the wild, but not so good when figuring out my control options. Usually I bypass deer control books (nothing new under the sun) but this book - containing so much more info - caught my eye. Neil Soderstrom provides facts and insights for understanding the history and habits of the animal one is dealing with, and provides control and management options for real-world situations. I think highly enough of this book that I gave it as a gift to a wildlife control professional I know. It is a thorough effort and well worth owning. It is not a superficial treatment that you can pick up in a quick scan while standing in a book store -- much more effort and substance has gone into this book. I heard Soderstrom speak and clearly he was completely immersed in understanding his subject matter. I do recommend this book.

I was prompted to investigate deer-resistant plants after a gorgeous daylily, full of blooms and buds, was destroyed by deer. I had invested time and money into that plant, little knowing that daylilies and hostas are deer favorites. I recently took this book to the garden store and came home with lantanas, coreopsis, snapdragons and an abelia bush. So far, so good. Previous purchases of echinacea and marigolds have gone well. This a comprehensive book that discusses other animal problems as well as deer. Still, the section on deer and deer resistant plants is more informative than other books on the subject. There are nice descriptions of the deer-resistant plants in the back, with lovely illustrations and plant profiles.

Sadly I no longer see rabbits as bunnies or deer as Bambis, and decency precludes me from saying how I refer to raccoons. Now I see varmints but everybody's gotta to eat, so we try to find ways to discourage over-harvesting & the destruction of garden areas. This book helped a great deal not just with prevention but understanding the whys and hows. Recommend this book for solutions for gardeners such as myself, who depend upon what we grow. Perhaps Mr. Soderstrom could write a

book for the varmints on how to avoid territorial two legged pests.

Very useful book for our new home. It's still a great reference two years after moving, helping us make safe landscaping decisions.

Lots of useful information. More than just information about deer resistant plants.

Good book to have.

Very informative

Very helpful book. Was mostly interested in the deer and gopher sections. It has lots of practical information on plants that deer don't like and the reasons why. Not too scholarly, and not a textbook, more like an experienced resident of deer country telling you what works in his yard. Easy to read and understand. Plant listing is helpful, especially the photos, just wish there were more of them. But that's a minor complaint. All in all a very helpful book and worth the price.

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