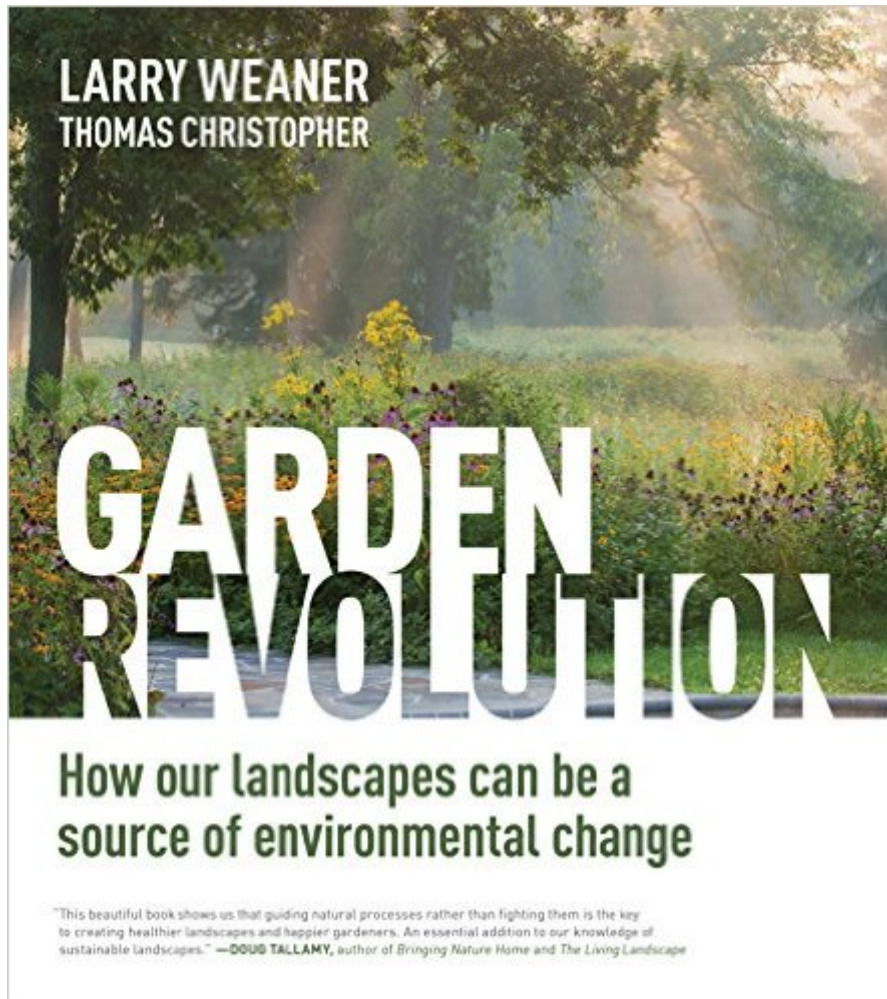


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# Garden Revolution: How Our Landscapes Can Be A Source Of Environmental Change



## Synopsis

“An invaluable and provocative resource for gardeners who want to collaborate with their local ecologies” and save themselves both heartbreak and backbreak. “The New York Times Book Review This lushly-photographed reference is an important moment in horticulture that will be embraced by anyone looking for a better, smarter way to garden.” Larry Weaner is an icon in the world of ecological landscape design, and now his revolutionary approach is available to all gardeners. Garden Revolution shows how an ecological approach to planting can lead to beautiful gardens that buck much of conventional gardening’s counter-productive, time-consuming practices. Instead of picking the wrong plant and then constantly tilling, weeding, irrigating, and fertilizing, Weaner advocates for choosing plants that are adapted to the soil and climate of a specific site and letting them naturally evolve over time. Allowing the plants to find their own niches, to spread their seed around until they find the microclimate and spot that suits them best, creates a landscape that is vibrant, dynamic, and gorgeous year after year.

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## Customer Reviews

Larry Weaner and Thomas Christopher’s new book, "Garden Revolution", is the third in a trifecta of highly anticipated garden / landscaping books I have been eagerly anticipating for the last several years. The other two were The Living Landscape: Designing for Beauty and Biodiversity in the Home Garden by Doug Tallamy and Rick Darke and Planting in a Post-Wild World: Designing Plant Communities for Resilient Landscapes by Thomas Rainer and Claudia West. Tallamy and Darke’s

book expanded brilliantly on the main idea presented in *Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants*, that being how native plants in the cultivated and managed landscapes can provide provide a lifeline to the wildlife we share our planet with. This book also offered real world info on plant selection and the gorgeous photography of Rick Darke to inspire us. I actually now recommend this book over *Bringing Nature Home*, as I feel it more effectively inspires action. While I like Rainer and West's book, to me it did fall a little short of expectations. It is a good read with much useful information on designing resilient plant communities. This is probably more the case of a book not being at the right spot in the reader's development than any problems with the book. This book just didn't strike a chord for me at the time I read it, but it very well might for you. This is not the case with Larry's book. *Garden Revolution* is groundbreaking and hit the perfect chord with where I am trying to take my knowledge and career. Think of it as a practical ecology book for gardeners and landscapers. While I have read other books that cover ecology and gardening, such as *Principles of Ecological Landscape Design*.

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