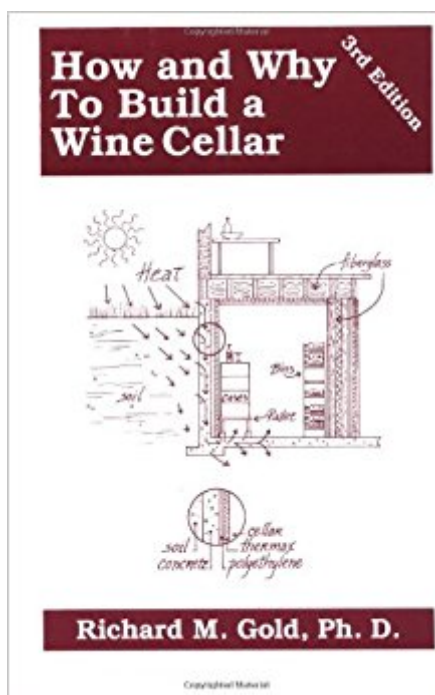


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# How And Why To Build A Wine Cellar 3rd Ed.



## Synopsis

A construction guide for home wine cellars based on the science of deep soil temperatures. Invokes modern readily available materials and standard construction techniques. Ideal for the do-it-yourselfer or hired carpenter. Also reviews wine purchasing and consuming strategies, bin design and construction, how to organize a wine tasting group, and more. An underground classic, first published in 1983. Revised third edition. Over 24,000 copies in circulation. The only serious treatment of the subject.

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Dr. Gold's academic training is in biological psychology. PhD University of Chicago. Retired Professor, University of Massachusetts. Over 50 published articles and chapters in Psychology. As an avid amateur enophile and amateur carpenter, he sought a book to guide him through the design and construction of a home wine cellar, but found none. He gathered scientific information on the physics of deep soil temperatures and applied it, using current building styles and materials, to home wine cellar construction. A very specialized but pragmatic do-it-yourself guide.

great book. read online that this was THE source for info and we agree. building our cellar now.

Good technical information, especially on insulation, humidity control, basic construction ideas, etc. A bit dry, but most of the material you will need to construct a wine cellar is here. I bought about a dozen books on wine cellar construction from .. and this one has the best technical information of all of them. It's worth the money.

"How and Why To Build a Wine Cellar" by Richard Gold, Third Edition, is an excellent overview of the different types of Wine Cellars, passive vs. active, ways to construct, things to know and how to control temperature and humidity. A short read and a great foundation of knowledge needed before you take the plunge into building that Wine Cellar. Gold does an excellent review of his experiences and created what many refer to as The Bible for anyone considering the investment in a Wine Cellar. Learning through the mistakes of others can save you thousands of dollars and it only takes a few bucks to buy the book, especially if you are lucky enough to find a lightly read used copy and why I enjoy shopping .

This book is full of extremely useful information - and I have learned quite a bit by reading it. However, the author's writing style and organizational method makes it a hard read. In concept, there are a number of items that must be considered when planning a wine cellar. These are covered in this book, but the information is not presented in a clear and concise manner. I would have expected basic information in a step-by-step and easy to follow format. Instead, the valuable content is surrounded by stories and other interesting but not exactly useful words. This appears to be the best book on this subject available today. Therefore, if you're going to build a wine cellar, this is the right book to buy. However, don't expect this book to make it easy for you.

I spent several months trying to determine what I should do about wine storage. I had accumulated about 300 bottles and was keeping them in our under-house dungeon, but was concerned about the long-term viability of that method. This book promotes the idea of a passive cellar - no refrigeration/humidity unit. After reading it I set about building what really amounts to a "wine bunker" (the room is not for sitting about and sipping - only storage) based on its principles. The details are documented at [...]. I'm very happy with the results and am glad to have found such a tome on the science of wine storage. Worthwhile reading even if you don't decide to take this route.

If you're looking for wine cellar design and construction ideas, keep looking. This is an old text (1983) with some good theory and graphs, but little meat for someone wanting to build a wine cellar with today's tools and materials. Illustrations are sparse and a little rough. If designing, building and / or decorating a wine cellar are your main goals, save your money and get *The Home Wine Cellar* by Perry Sims instead.

This guy has gotta be an engineer. The specs and research are amazing and detailed to the n-th degree. A bit much for me, but if you're into that kind of thing this will be a treat. Very detailed and well researched, but a bit much for the general, run of mill wine enthusiast like me. I learned more than I expected and still skipped through a bit, but it's without a doubt the most thorough guide out there.

This is a great book. It tells you/shows you how to evaluate your house, and all the variables surrounding, for a perfect wine cellar. While many may read and rise to the occasion thus building the R to the perfect digit, some may simply read and concede. There is a spoke of perfection in a house with a proper wine cellar; yet most are lack this. I thank this book for steering me to my current course of renting storage in a wine storage facility. I appreciate all the information but it would have been near impossible (checkbook included) for me to follow through.

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