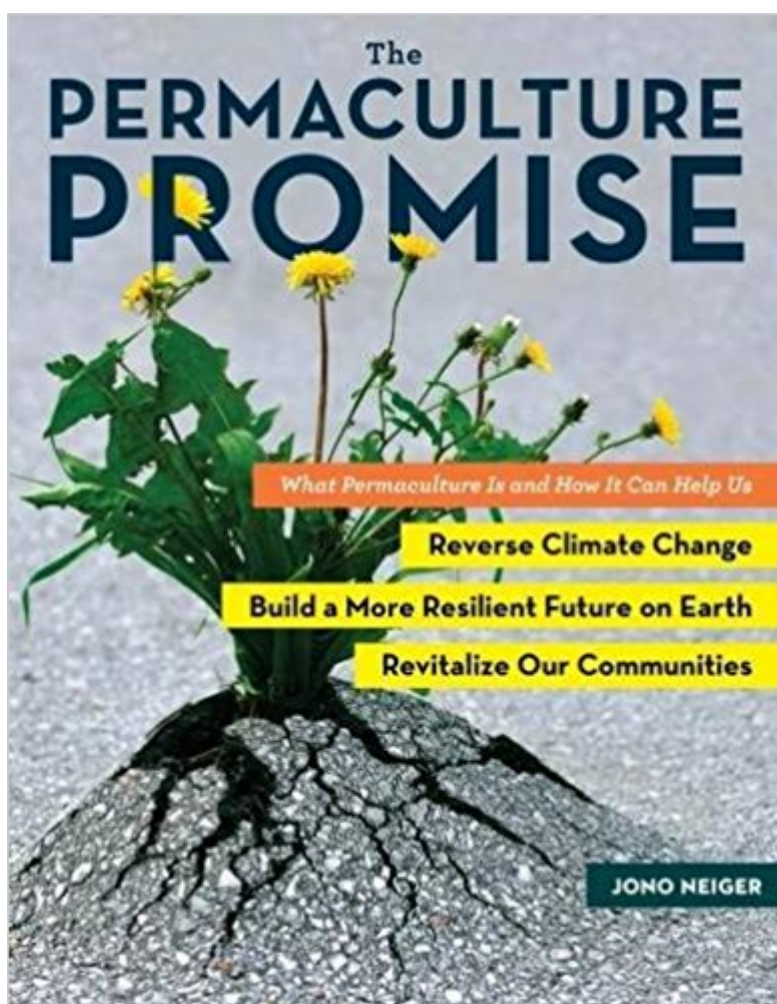


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# The Permaculture Promise: What Permaculture Is And How It Can Help Us Reverse Climate Change, Build A More Resilient Future On Earth, And Revitalize Our Communities





## Synopsis

Permaculture is a sustainability buzzword, but many people wonder what it actually means and why it is relevant. Originally coined by combining the words permanent and agriculture, permaculture has evolved into an optimistic approach connecting all the systems of human life: gardening, housing, transportation, energy, and how we structure our communities. *The Permaculture Promise* explains in simple terms why permaculture may be the key to unlocking a livable future on our planet. Author Jono Neiger asserts that humans can thrive while simultaneously making Earth healthier and not destroying it. The book shows 22 ways that permaculture can create a better future for all living things. Profiles of people and communities – including an urban dweller who tore up her driveway to create a vegetable garden and a California housing development that dedicates a third of its land to parks, orchards, and gardens – will inspire you to incorporate permaculture principles into your life today.

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“The rise of the permaculture movement is one of the brightest signs of hope on our distressed planet, and this book helps anyone understand why!” – Bill McKibben, author of *Deep Economy* “Jono Neiger shows us that permaculture is for far more than gardening by providing a to-do list for building community resilience in the face of climate change and other challenges. *The Permaculture Promise* offers hope for the garden, home, neighborhood, city, and beyond.” – Eric Toensmeier, award-winning author of *Paradise Lot*

“Practical, personal, and powerful! The Permaculture Promise offers a rich and engaging introduction guaranteed to inspire novices and remind experienced permaculture practitioners of why they began their journey into the ecological and ethical re-design of our lives and landscapes.”

• John M. Gerber, professor of sustainable food and farming, University of Massachusetts Amherst

“Jono Neiger gives us hope for restoring health to ourselves, our communities, and the planet through straightforward lessons with steps anyone can follow.”

• Claudia Joseph, Executive Director, New York Permaculture Exchange

“This masterful work describes the potential benefits of embracing permaculture elements within urban, rural, and community settings. A must-read for inspiration and practical knowledge to initiate change in our challenging times.”

• Jude Hobbs, co-founder of the Permaculture Institute of North America

An Optimistic Road Map for Our Future Permaculture is a design system that offers practical ideas for how humans can simultaneously provide for ourselves and regenerate the natural world. Here are 22 ways that permaculture can help us achieve that goal, brought to life through profiles of people and communities who are already taking the permaculture path. This groundbreaking approach moves beyond sustainability, connecting all the systems of human life, including gardening, housing, transportation, energy, and how we structure our communities. Help reverse climate change - Fulfill our energy needs - Create more livable cities - Build smarter homes - Ensure there is clean water - Stabilize our food supply.

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Very simplistic, no real information, Would not recommend

"The Permaculture Promise" provides an overview of permaculture. The author defined permaculture as including human relationships and financial systems, how we grow food, build housing, structure communities, and gather energy. It uses interconnected, self-sufficient designs and views people as a part of nature, not above it. The book is more a summary of what is being done than a how-to guide. For example, he mentioned rain gardens, showed a picture of a rain garden, and might have done a profile on someone who put one in, but he didn't provide enough detail that you could go make one. He did give some suggestions of what the reader can do, but it was mainly along the lines of "learn a new self-sufficiency skill" or "install a compost toilet." He

covered topics like regenerative farming, soil fertility using nitrogen-fixing plants and dynamic accumulators, composting and humanure, sharing resources with those in need, building community relationships and learning self-sufficiency skills, using wetlands instead of destroying them, urban planning and urban gardens, buying local or growing heirloom plants and heritage livestock, growing food rather than ornamental plants, building energy efficient homes, preventing erosion, collecting rain water, and using renewable energy sources. I received an ebook review copy of this book from the publisher through NetGalley.

Have you ever wondered how we can reverse climate change, or any other damage we have done to our earth. Even though I don't do much in the way of building a more friendly earth, my husband does. `The Permaculture Promise` was written by Jono Neiger to help each individual understand what they can do. The promise of permaculture is to create a more livable world for all of us. The book has many colorful photos to encourage the reader to think about our earth. I like the idea the book shows in capturing rainwater for garden irrigation. I noticed how green the grass is in the photos. Perhaps we do need to concentrate on our earth for it to become more vibrant. This book is easy for a young teen to understand, one that could be taught in a class, yet it's not childish in its approach. It seems like a lot of work, but if each person does their part it won't be as hard. I believe if we had more trees we would not be as hot. We need trees to make paper and other items, but I wonder if we could find a better way. Disclaimer: I received a complimentary copy of this ARC through Net Galley. All opinions are my own.

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