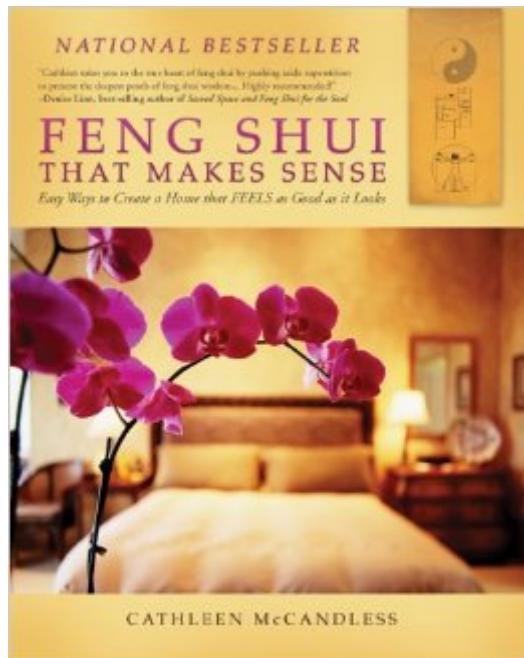


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Feng Shui That Makes Sense - Easy Ways To Create A Home That FEELS As Good As It Looks



Synopsis

You don't need to be a professional designer or a feng shui expert in order to have a beautiful, comfortable home. Feng Shui That Makes Sense takes you step-by-step through the process of using feng shui principles to create a home that will please your eye, relax your body, inspire your mind, and lift your spirit. After reading this book, you will be able to:

- Easily create a home of beauty, harmony, and comfort
- Learn basic feng shui principles that work every time in every space
- Improve the look and feel of any room in your home
- Discover the origins of popular feng shui myths and misunderstandings
- Enhance the areas of your home relating to Love, Money, Health, Family, and more
- Apply feng shui principles to your landscape and garden
- Integrate nature and natural materials into your living space
- Clear your home of unwanted energy
- Create a home that nurtures and inspires you physically, mentally, and spiritually
- Understand how and why your environment affects you the way it does

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Customer Reviews

As a Feng Shui designer, I am always checking out the newest books on Feng Shui and Feng Shui That Makes Sense--Easy Ways to Create a Home that FEELS as Good as it Looks by Cathleen McCandless is a terrific book for beginners and for those tired of the superstitious side to the practice. I can relate to much of what McCandless is into. Feng Shui, for those of you who are unfamiliar, has been around for 1000's of years...and it was created by the Chinese living a very different lifestyle than how we live today. Couple that with the fact that much of traditional Feng Shui

is based on superstitions and you get a practice that--at best--is confusing to the typical American. McCandless gets that...she does use the Compass (I use the Bagua) but other than that, we are on the same page...I help my clients create rooms that look and feel good...where people want to hang out! No "Feng Shui paraphernalia" necessary...just create good flow which will create a great energy. This book makes understanding Feng Shui a snap because it is intuitive. I recommend it along with my other favorite Feng Shui book: HARMONIOUS ENVIRONMENT: BEAUTIFY, DETOXIFY & ENERGIZE YOUR LIFE, YOUR HOME & YOUR PLANET.

There are at least a dozen books about feng shui on my bookcase. Each expert has their own opinions and to be honest I was ready to give up because the "must dos" were different and contradicted each other. Then I found Cathleen McCandless' book and wow what a difference! The explanations of why the remedies of the past were used and how they may not be applicable to modern western living were such a help. Her common sense approach is balanced by the obvious respect that she has for the practice and history of feng shui. It's well written and easy to follow. There are some immediate - inexpensive suggestions that can help you get started making positive changes right away. If you were like me, interested but confused, I would highly recommend giving Feng Shui That Makes Sense a chance.

If the title isn't clear enough, let me point out again. This brief 'review' is for the Kindle copy, not the paper copy. I bought this book for my girlfriend, based on other peoples reviews and the sample we downloaded. Having read some of the book, I can concur that it is well written, makes things very clear and accessible, and would enable anyone to pick up fengshui concepts very quickly. So why only 3 Stars? Because (and maybe this criticism won't be relevant to you, who knows?) want is not mentioned anywhere on this page is that this Kindle edition is NOT a genuine e-book, but rather a scanned copy of the printed book. What that means is that there is no working table of contents, the book cannot be searched, individual sentences cannot be highlighted and notated, and the page can only be zoomed in one level as opposed to increasing the size of the font to what is appropriate and comfortable for you. Does any of this affect the actual content of the book? No, of course not. And as I said, what has been written seems so far to be exactly what the author says it is. But I thought I was buying one product (an e-book) when in fact all I got was a series of photos. Thus, the product I received is not what I was expecting (my fault, perhaps, for not checking well enough) and so gets only 3 stars. If change the description on this page, and include the facts I pointed out above, then I will change my review to reflect that. But as is, this review stands as a brief

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Cathleen sets the record straight on just what Feng Shui is all about and where it came from. By dispelling the misguided ideas of buying special items that will bring good luck, fame or fortune she brings the reader an understanding about common sense principles to transform your home or work spaces into peaceful, nourishing and inviting places to live in. Simply a breath of fresh air for those who would like to utilize Feng Shui but have always been detracted by its complexities and often distorted views other practitioners give towards Feng Shui.

I'm a novice, looking for resources to optimize my home and office after recognizing that the house I once loved has been feeling very stale and draining. I never knew what to think of feng shui...if I put red tape on my metal bed, will the bad chi REALLY leave me alone? McCandless explains feng shui in a very practical sense. I learned a lot about optimizing the layout of my space and things I can do to improve energy flow. She even explains the science behind why feng shui principles work. Prior to reading this book, my personal conclusion was that feng shui is the physical representation of your own intentions: how well you care for yourself, your space, and how you arrange your space (life) to be open to new opportunities. McCandless pretty much confirms that conclusion, while offering practical tips and insights for those that want to be more explicit about the relationship between their intentions and space. On a personal level, I found the Pa Kua compass that she uses very difficult to apply to my house; all of the angles intersect with rooms in my house in very funky ways, making the process of implementing feng shui very challenging for me. So, I have chosen to apply McCandless' principles and information to the Bagua, common in other feng shui books. I can specifically endorse the book, "Move Your Stuff, Change Your Life" by Karen Rausch Carter for a better understanding of the Bagua. In short, McCandless' book provides great details and a better explanation of the "practical" side of feng shui. Carter's book provides a great explanation of the bagua, which is going to be easier to implement for most homes with a rectangular orientation. Both have given me a solid understanding of feng shui and allowed me to make great improvements in my space.

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