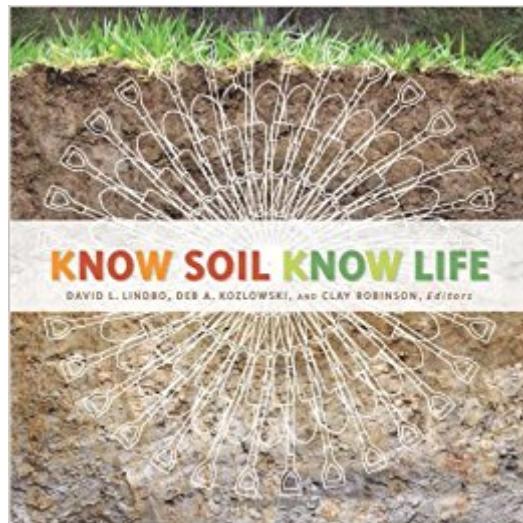


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# Know Soil, Know Life



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A good beginners guide to understanding basic soil concepts. Certainly a useful reference for anyone who needs to brush up on their soil knowledge. Easy to read!

This is a text for my graduate Soil Science class - I wanted a bit more quite frankly. It seemed to trade function for form (sacrificing text with glossy stock and unnecessary amounts of over-sized pictures, sidebars and figures) - It was almost like a pop-up book without the payoff.

This book was recommended by one of the lecturers in my master gardener course. It has a lot of good info, but it is a bit textbookish.

great book

Great!

good

Thanks

Cheers to the Soil Science Society of America for putting together this fine book. It should be of interest to students, gardeners, and those who wish to learn about the importance and significance of soils. I'm excited to be using this as my textbook for my Intro to Soil Science course in the fall. I've been frustrated with the other available Soils textbooks, which tend to be either way too simplistic or way overboard (encyclopedic) for an intro level course. This book seems to hit the nail right on the head! Not only that, but it is interesting to read, and the cost to students is VERY reasonable (\$40!). This seems to be the only soils text out there with full color images, graphics, and maps, and they are abundant and well done. I'm sure I will have suggestions to improve the book after using it. In fact, I already have a few: add a glossary and an index. I'd also like to see sections on soil water and one on soil temperature, too, but until then I will cover that material using other means. No Intro to Soils textbook out there seems to be just right, but this one is closest, in my opinion.

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