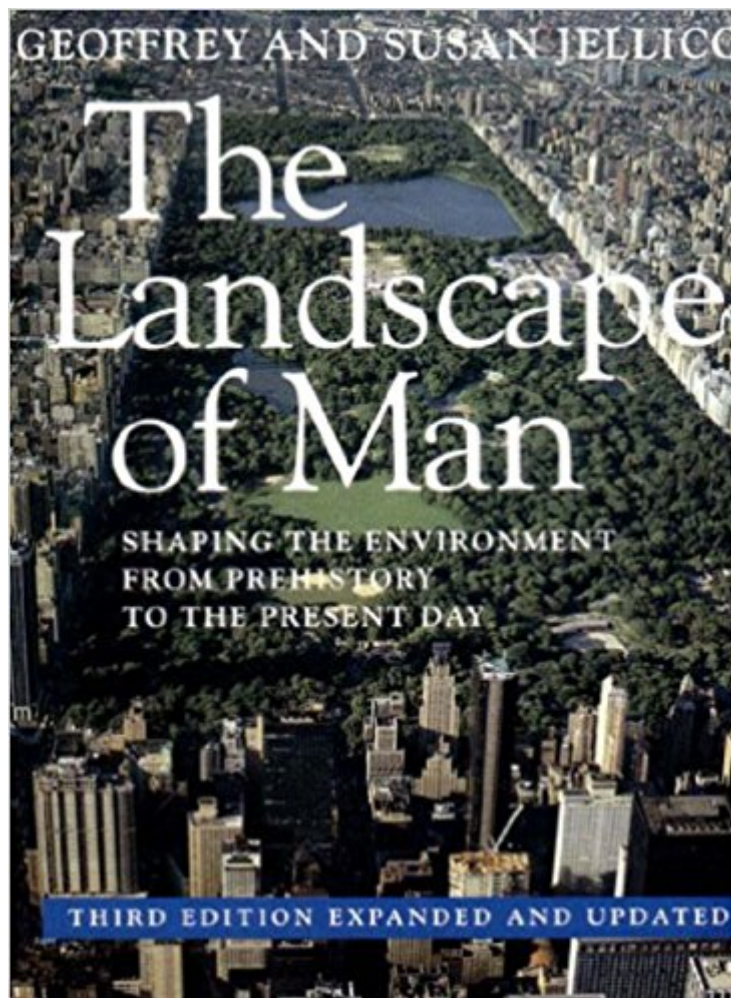




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This is a standard in most landscape architecture history courses but lacks the substantial analysis to be a comprehensive resource. More of a starting for for the beginning student, has good images (in fact images are probably its quality f note)

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I thought it was going to be more about landscape plans, instead of city planning, but was impressed with the historic progression aspect of the city planning.

Awesome book

good price~

This book was purchased for a class, and I read it in its entirety. All the photography is black and white, making many of the images difficult to distinguish the finite elements the book is describing. The research put into this book is very respectable and as a reader, I really felt like the author was an expert in their field. Unfortunately, the author is not a very good at writing. The book is intended to be somewhat of a journey through architecture and landscape architecture, but the format, content and sentence structure makes it impossible to read as a narrative. If you are considering purchasing this book to place on your coffee table (though I am not sure why you would) I would give it a 5 star review and recommend it to others. If you are purchasing this book to educate yourself or others, the information is great, just poorly presented.

This book was needed for school it is good quality easy to read has a lot of good information and was useful.

This volume should be among the first 5 books anyone interested in the history of landscape must buy, no wonder it's included in the academic readings in many fine schools. The B&W photographs are remarkable, and it's filled with plans and diagrams from all over the world. In the last revised edition, covers the actual trends in landscape architecture, as well as asian and pre-columbian cultures. As an architect starting out in this field of study, I found it very helpful, and I'm sure others will!

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