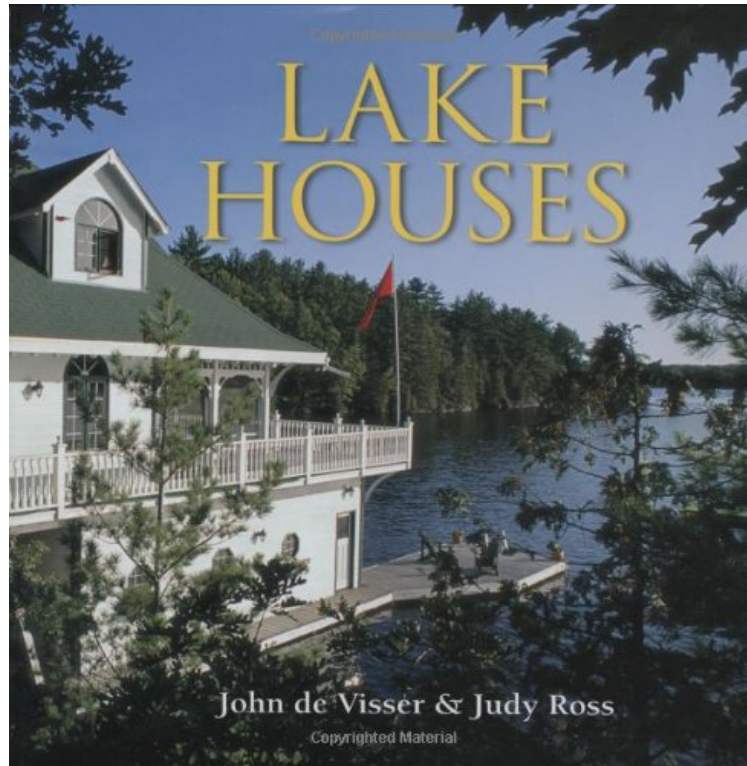


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welcome visitors onto their properties and open the doors to their beloved summer residences. Included are chapters on: Exteriors Living rooms Dining rooms Kitchens Boathouses Bedrooms Bathrooms Guest cabins and bunkies Decks, docks and gazebos Verandas and porches Wall works and fireplaces Gardens. Whether designed by a famous architect or a pragmatic relative many generations ago, these lake houses represent the soul of summer.

While spring and a return to the cottage may seem like a long way off, *Lake Houses* is an enjoyable book that will entertain cottagers until they return to their wilderness retreats. [blog carried by Alliston Herald, Barrie Advance, Blue Mountain Courier Herald, Collingwood Connection, Huronia Bush Times, Innisfil Journal, Midland Mirror, Meaford Express, Orillia Today, Stayner Sun, Wasaga Sun] (Glenn Perrett [http://metrolandnorth.typepad.com/glenn\\_perrett/2008-10-01](http://metrolandnorth.typepad.com/glenn_perrett/2008-10-01)) Guides the reader deep into cottage country. Looking at lake house and summer cottage style, the book tours 100 homes through photographs and essays, and is destined to stir nostalgia even as it invites readers to open the door to new design options.... Photographer John de Visser's exceptional images capture the setting, while Collingwood's Judy Ross brings the homes' souls to life. Scenic and dreamy, this is both an excellent idea book and a welcome escape from the tribulations of winter months. (Hamilton Magazine's Interiors 2008-10-31) The book provides an insider's tour of vivid gardens, breeze wraparound verandas, turn-of-the-century boathouses and sun-drenched sitting rooms overlooking the bay. *Lake Houses* is full of memories, but it also serves as an idea book. Within its pages, lake-house owners from several regions welcome visitors onto their properties and open the doors to their beloved summer residences. Whether designed by a famous architect or pragmatic relative many generations ago, these lake houses represent the soul of summer. (Rob Mooy Frontenac This Week/Kingston This Week 2009-05-28) Thumbing through this beautiful coffee table book will leave you pining for quiet, relaxed summers on the lake.... Even if you don't own a cottage or waterfront property, this stunning pictorial is the ultimate stress reliever. 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His outstanding lake country pictorials include *Boathouses*, *The Thousand Islands*, *Shelter at the Shore* and *Georgian Bay*. He lives in Cobourg, Ontario. Judy Ross is the award-winning author of eight books, and her articles have appeared in such magazines as *House and Home*, *Cottage Life*, *Canadian Gardening*, *Leisureways*, *Town and Country*, and *Travel and Leisure*. She lives in Collingwood, Ontario.