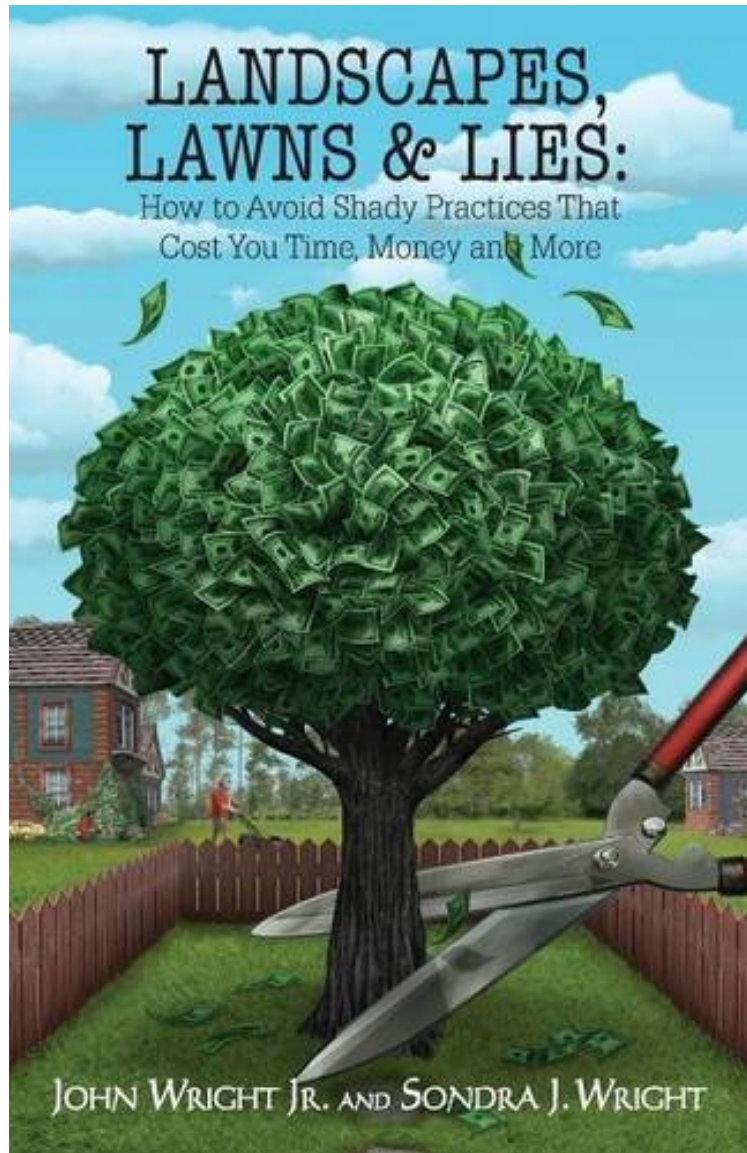


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This is a fun, witty and informative read. I don't know anything about the landscaping business but after reading this book I was well informed. I really loved the pay now or pay later slogan. This slogan is true in all business, you truly get what you pay for. Wonderful easy read.  
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By James A. Gentry  
I picked this one up out of idle curiosity, but pure joy kept me reading until the very last delicious word. I cannot truly say if I was informed more or entertained more. Either way, if you are undertaking a lawn project, no matter how large or small, I would recommend you read this text first. It contains information that you cannot do without. Even if you are not undertaking a lawn project, pick it up anyway and be entertained now and file the extensive information in contains away in your mental mind for later. I do believe that Mr. and Mrs. Wright have unwittingly stumbled upon a new writing genre--landscape and lawn writing.  
0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars and big nod "yes" for Landscapes, Lawns and Lies...  
By Courtney CI  
I laughed as I learned from Landscapes, Lawns and Lies! Chapter by chapter, and scenario by scenario I found myself growing in knowledge and vowing never to sacrifice quality landscaping for shady landscaping again. When I first purchased my home I made many of the mistakes so perfectly portrayed in this book. WHY WASN'T THIS MY HOUSEWARMING GIFT 13 YEARS AGO?!  
The authors' experience and care shows, making me feel invited into the conversation and not judged for my naivety and past neglect concerning landscaping. I knew there were industry standards, and I knew cutting corners would ultimately cost me, but I never had anyone explain those standards in terms understood and valued, until now. Thanks for that!  
I love the style and tone of Landscapes, Lawn, and Lies from cover to cover! As I read, not only did I laugh recalling my past landscaping mistakes, but I was absolutely entertained by the antics of the characters in this book; whose names, I'm guessing, were changed to protect their identities. Though there is a technical conversation and serious content being brought to light, I absorbed it quickly and felt empowered to make better decisions as a homeowner. To top it off the writing was direct, easy to follow and, at times, funny.  
So, here are my five stars and nod "yes" to future readers. Landscapes, Lawns and Lies now serves as a guide for me as a homeowner, and the timing is perfect after all because my HOA just brought some things to my attention. Projects! I know what the next person who invites me to their housewarming is getting for a present! -And I will consult my copy of this book before I begin any work for all the helpful suggestions and contacts. -Great investment!

So, you've decided to embark on a landscape project! Now who do you call to lend you a hand? A landscaper? A landscape architect? A landscape designer? A landscape contractor? What criteria would you use to select that landscape professional? Have you considered the potential risks and how to mitigate them? Landscape professionals, John and Sondra Wright, help answer these questions and more in their informative book, Landscapes, Lawns, and Lies. With over thirty years of experience in all aspects of landscape construction, design, and property management the Wrights are here to impart invaluable, indispensable advice as only industry insiders can. Through its demonstrative style and entertaining scenarios, Landscapes, Lawns, and Lies directly confronts the many preconceptions, deceptions, and misconceptions consumers face in selecting a landscape professional. Learn from C. D. Guy, the nefarious owner of a sketchy landscaping company, how to spot a bad deal from a mile off, and explore the unnecessary risks so many property owners take that land them in a jam, or worse, endanger themselves or others. From doing business on a handshake to underestimating what a DIY project really takes, seemingly small actions present major consequences in the world of Landscapes, Lawns Lies.