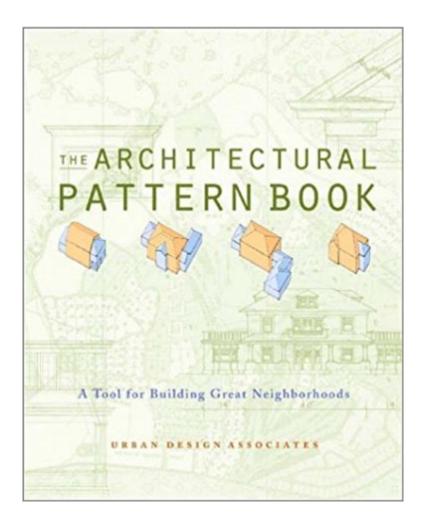
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# The Architectural Pattern Book: A Tool For Building Great Neighborhoods





## Synopsis

This manual documents the revival of the traditional architectural pattern book as a means of implementing urban design. From the firm that produced The Urban Design Handbook comes a practical guide to developing and using pattern books-a tradition stretching back to Vitruvius and Palladio, and the source of many beautiful houses-to design neighborhoods today. It describes techniques and working methods for contemporary development and construction processes.

## **Book Information**

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Most of us like architectural books because we think, or possibly just dream of building our own ULTIMATE house. Here, however, is a book not on building a house, but on building an entire neighborhood. It starts with a bit of history, the pattern books written in roman times. It brings them up to date with a survey of several American neighborhoods dating from turn of the century times. And finally it goes on to show what the authors have done as they designed blocks, sub-divisions and the like. It is intended to show what can be done to replace the common cookie cutter houses common in recent developments. It is a fascinating book that leads to thinking.

This was a needed reference and excellent compilation of information on architectural patterns in varying urban contexts. I highly recommend it to "TRUE ARCHITECTS"

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