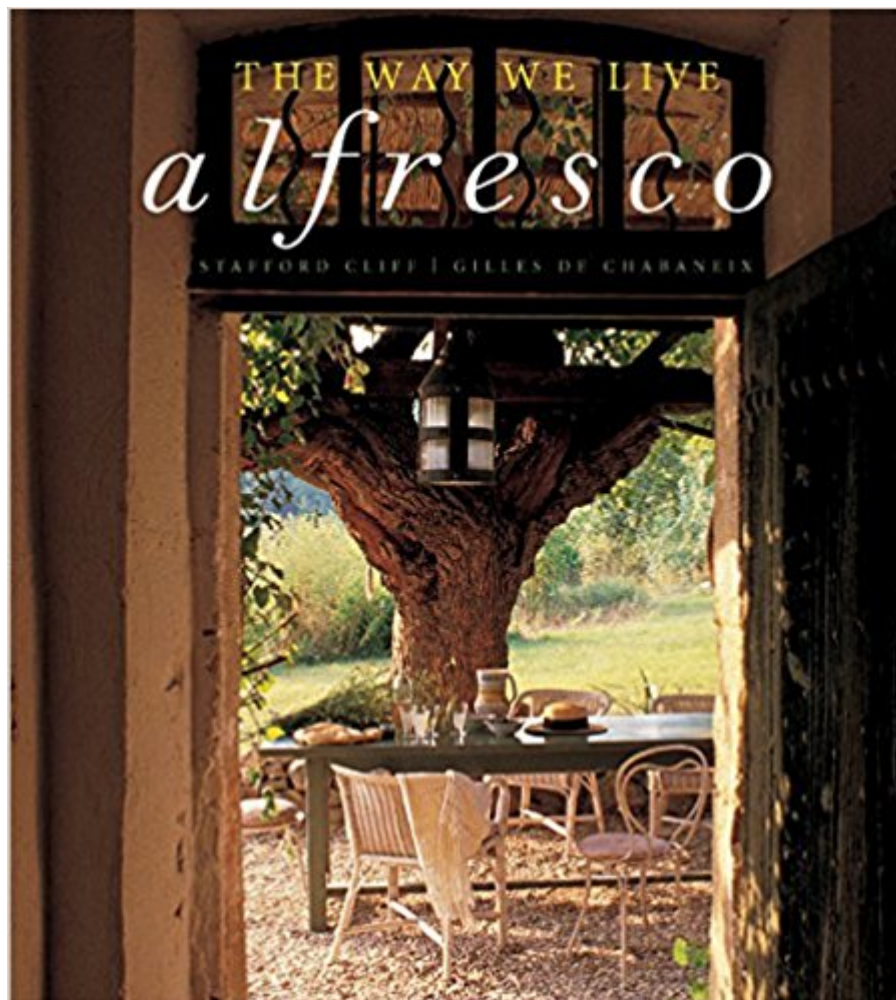


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# The Way We Live: Alfresco



## Synopsis

The Way We Live Alfresco combines Stafford Cliff's unerring eye with the remarkable photography of Gilles de Chabaneix to present a marvelous portrayal of the delights of living alfresco. An indispensable reference for getting the best of living outdoors, this book is organized into five specific sections: Outside the Home, Transitional Spaces, Rooms Outside, Bringing the Outside In, and Living Outside. Each fully illustrated section brings the reader to the heart of what it means to live and dine alfresco-in the open, but closely in touch with the good things of life. From buildings specifically created away from the main home, to the decorative use of natural objects such as stones and leaves inside the home, this book will provide an endless source of inspiration for those seeking to bring comfort and style to their outdoor living. With 300 full-color photographs that take advantage of every opportunity to make cross-cultural comparisons and connections, The Way We Live Alfresco is sure to dazzle every reader with the beauties of the alfresco lifestyle.

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## Customer Reviews

“Rediscover the sumptuous pleasure of living and dining outside in this gorgeous guide. (New Jersey Life Magazine)

Stafford Cliff was formerly Creative Director of the Conran Design Group in London. He is the author of many books on interior design, decoration, and lifestyle, including The Way We Live. Gilles de Chabaneix was long considered one of France's most prominent design and lifestyle

photographers.

Not just another house and garden book, ( i have it all...) that shows you the same,though, beautiful, French or Tuscan houses. This book takes you all around the globe,to explore Alfresco ideas and solutions, people created as outdoor spaces.you will get so many inspiring ideas. I did. Enjoy!

Wonderful book! Lovely and richly varied photos. Text is informative and sometimes inspiring without being florid or overwhelming the photos. Love it.

This is a beautifully produced book that's a lot of fun to look at. The photographs are gorgeous. I appreciated that a lot of the photos were in Bali as well as many French-speaking countries around the world in addition to the UK, Italy and the US. I have to say that the Bali pictures had a kind of graciousness that was really inspiring. The book is organized thematically. Chapter headings: outside the home; transitional spaces; rooms outside; bringing the outside in; living outside. If you're interested in living with nature, this is a fun book to read and look at.

The Way We Live Alfresco – I was very disappointed in this book. With the cover picture and the inability to look through the book online, I was hoping it was about Alfresco landscapes, like from Italy or Provence. The cover is misleading and so is the title. Maybe one picture fit the name of the book and everything else was very contemporary and all over the world outdoor landscape that to me was not Alfresco at all. Sure wish that would provide more access to see what is in books like these, so many of them that I looked at I was not able to look inside. It is frustrating.

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