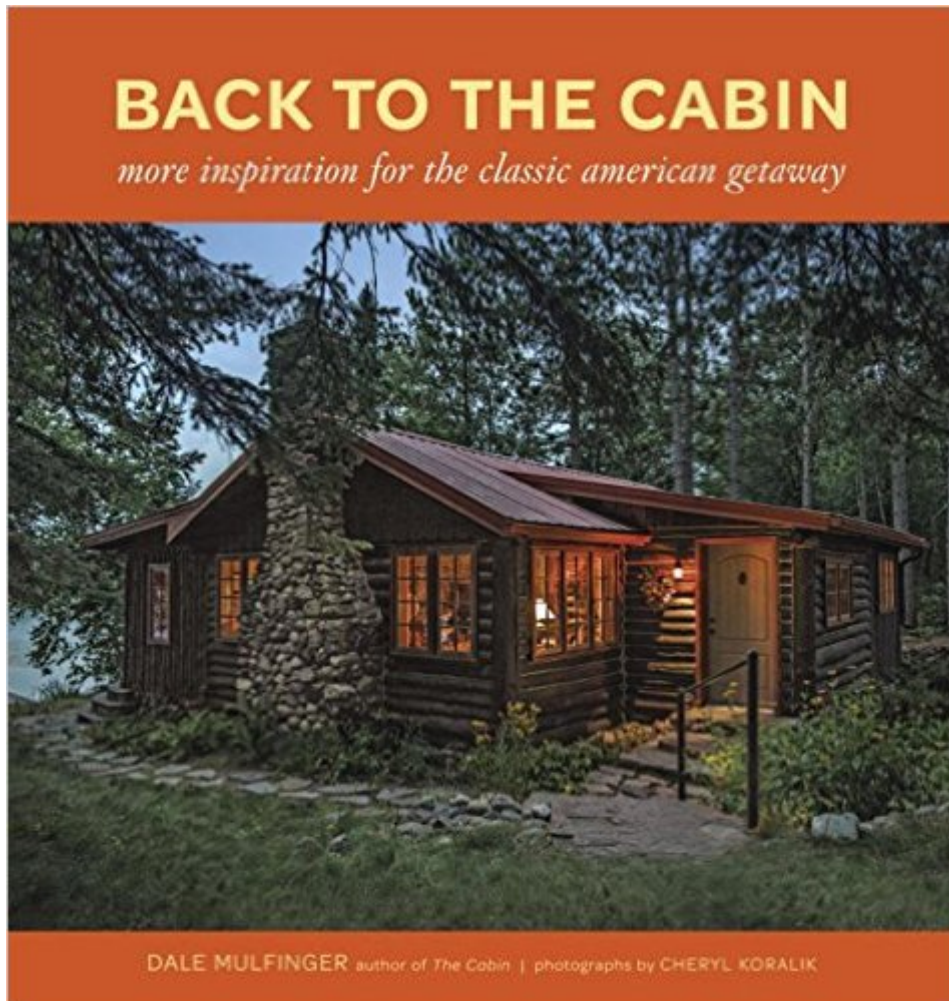


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# Back To The Cabin: More Inspiration For The Classic American Getaway



## Synopsis

A yearning for smaller homes...simpler times! Architect and renowned "cabinologist" Dale Mulfinger rekindles our love of the iconic American cabin in *Back to the Cabin*. This latest book picks up where his best seller, *The Cabin*, left off, engaging readers with fresh insights and strategies for designing a contemporary cabin with all the charm of yesteryear. Renewing America's long love affair with cabins. From rustic bungalows to log cabins, the bare-bones getaway house provides families with a sense of freedom from the everyday and the camaraderie of living close in shared spaces. In stark contrast to today's hi-tech world, cabin living is uncomplicated and basic – another reason spurring interest in these cozy shelters. A collection of 37 cabins – all different, all appealing. These cabins recapture an old-world spirit of simple living, when the mudroom was entry enough for all and burning wood was for more than just ambiance. Others are more surprising – the "new" cabin that blends old-time simplicity with modern must-haves, cabins that come packaged as kits, cabins built from recycled materials, and others that are "just for fun."

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9781600855214 Genre: Crafts, Hobbies & Home , Home Improvement & Design , How-to & Home Improvements , Do-It-Yourself How many times have you hiked a mountain trail or a woodland path

and come across a cabin and thought "If this was mine I would do .... Many of us do it just some of us look at a city home or apartment, my personal favorite has always been remote, rustic, and country. I have loved the cabin look since I was a child and watched the old westerns like Bonanza. Back to the Cabin is an extensive look at different cabins and how they have been modernized. With bold and beautiful pictures you will fall in love with each and every cabin to be found there. You are shown everything from the rustic getaway to a near palatial cabin. From the purchase through the renovations each cabin transforms itself into the home the owners envisioned. Sometimes it is just a matter of a few adjustments, staining, or just a coat of paint. Then again you might have to gut the inside and start from scratch to better make use of a small space. You will want to visit the cabins just so you can explore and see where they came up with their ideas and maybe get some for yourself. Pick this book celebrating the iconic cabin and its reemergence as a popular chic getaway. The cabin is more than a fishing or hunting place to get out of the weather. Now it is a home, a retreat, a place to relax and enjoy life while renewing your spirit and Back to the Cabin celebrates this.

My husband and I dream of being able to build a cabin and make that our home for the rest of our lives. I bought this book to indulge our daydreams, and both my husband and I enjoyed it. It had beautiful photos. The only reason I gave it a 4 is because we had hoped it would include smaller, more affordable cabins among their cabins. We don't dream of million-dollar cabin castles. We dream of modest, beautifully rustic cabins. It would be great if authors would produce a book filled with cabins of the sort we adore. I haven't found one yet, but I continue my search.

The title of the book works on many levels. Since we own all of Dale Mulfinger's books on Cabins it feels like the title means that this time around he got back to the heart of what a cabin is. It shows smaller generational cabins as opposed to extravagant builds that people call cabins. It has the allure of cozy-sized rooms, heirloom decorating and humble presence that work with the surroundings. Within that there are many styles of cabins here (log to modern), but somehow they all have something that makes them feel like they belong. I read it cover to cover wanting more (only skipping one cabin that felt like a cave). PROS: This is a great read with great photos, site layout and floorplan for each cabin. Captures the cabin feel of MN, WI, MI. CONS: Each book could use an intro giving a nugget of how to obtain that cabin feel; decorating note, scale rules, types of timber by area, colors, etc. Not full detail like Cabinology, but some quick rules. They did try in this book to get sidebars and it was fun learning. The other con is Dale has so much wisdom that I feel more of that

wisdom should be shared. The stories are great, but please teach us cabin-master. A city home may be where you nestle in at night, but a cabin is where your heart wants to go. This book captures that mystical essence.

Another great book on cabins. If I could take the cabin on the cover and move it down to the Smoky Mountains outside of Asheville, NC, I could live there for the rest of my days. Everything I wrote about The Cabin could be said about Back To The Cabin & more.

exceptional book ! lots of ideas and information. it's the best as are Dale Mulfinger's other books! Great if you are looking to remodel, rebuild or looking for your first cabin. The photography is wonderful too! Highly recommend this book!

I bought and gave this book as a gift to someone who loves cabins. The best compliment I can give about it is, they said they were going to put it out on their coffee table to display. Really is well done, informative and beautiful pictures. Really is worth a five star rating!

Back to the Cabin, by Dale Mulfinger, is a beautiful book with wonderful photos of various types of cabins. The layout is nice, and it shows the outside of each cabin, the inside, and then a small floor design photo. My only complaint, and it's such a tiny complaint, is that I wish the floor design photos were on the same page as the outside of the cabin. I think this would give a better idea to see where rooms in the house really are.

While thumbing through this beautiful book, I was suddenly looking at the cabin my family had owned from the 1940's to the 1980's!!! It brought back many wonderful memories of summers in my childhood! Thank you to the author for putting together this wonderful book.

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