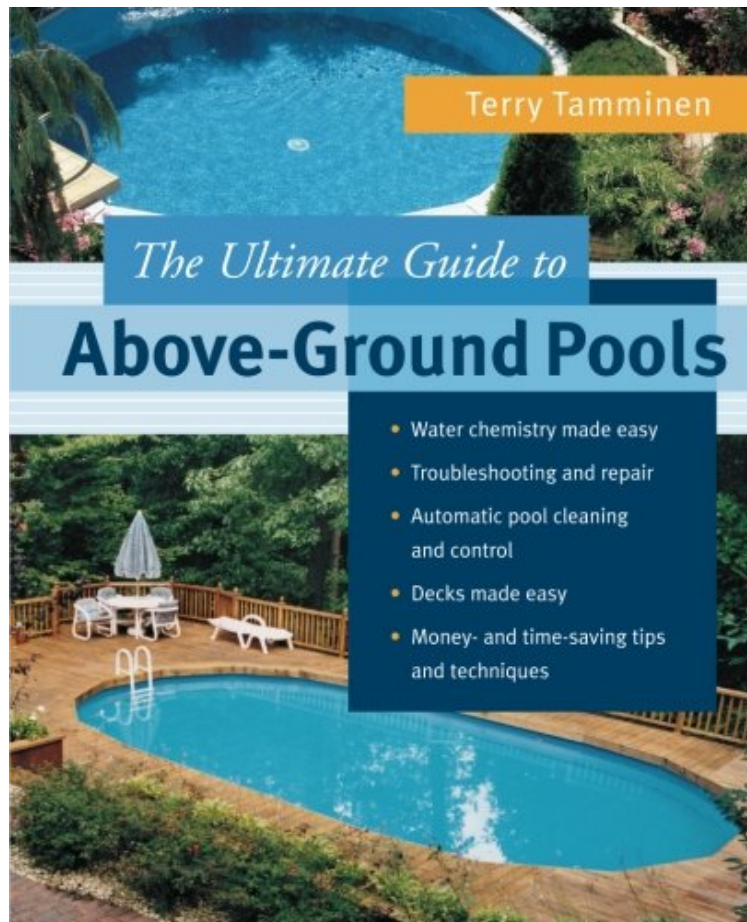


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Very helpful for above ground pool noobsBy Kim DawnMy boyfriend bought a house with an above ground pool, which is great...until you realize you have no idea how to maintain it, let alone troubleshoot problems. He finds this book to be incredibly helpful. He was particularly pleased to see the very detailed diagrams of how the pump and filter are supposed to be set up, since he suspected his was not set up correctly by the previous owners - and he was correct. The book covers all the basic maintenance topics, as well as the setup of a whole new system, if needed.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Cheaper than a Cement Pond-Lots of enjoyment.By Billy HoglanWould be good information for a beginner. We have had 4 pools in 40 years. I was actually looking for more information on the chemicals. Very little on this area. From experience I would

recommend an above ground pool with a salt system. We keep ours in doors in a 3 sided building with roof. It stays very clean and water needs less care than outside. Shocking is needed once in a while to eliminate cloudy water. I have begun to run the filter longer to keep the water clear . Stay away from solar heaters. A waste of money. We have a small spa heater, wired by a specialist, 240 volts. Burns the chill off and allows us to swim earlier in the day and season. Cost is 1--3 dollars a day. Cheaper than a resort hotel and someday when you are tired of it or move you can throw it away! The book could help you make the decision between cement pond and above ground pool. 4bh4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Helpful, but not all inclusiveBy Mrs DWe have wanted to buy a pool since we built our house 10 yrs ago and decided this year was the year! But we don't even know anybody with an AGP and I was ordering it from a company out of town so I really wanted an owners manual, this seemed like the thing to go with after reading other reviews. Only thing, as a professional pool person, I sort of wish he had some input from newbies like us. We did our own installation and had a few things come up I wish he had covered in the book. We had one small section of the pool wall near a footing that had a small bend in it once the pool was 3/4 full. We spent 2 weeks leveling so it is COMPLETELY level, we think there may be some suction created when the pool was filling. We filled it up the rest of the way and it got a little better, but it's still there. Also took us 2 weeks to get the chlorine to register, he talks about liquid chlorine in the book but it's hard enough to find any pool supplies, and nobody sells liquid chlorine. If we had access to professional pool chemicals like he did, that might make more sense. I think instead of looking at it in a way where everything goes right, he should have done it from a point of view of what all could possibly go wrong. The section on types of pools helped me decide what to finally purchase and we ended up spending about \$1,000 more than I originally budgeted, but I am glad. You can't pool shop on price or you'll regret it later. We also had trouble finding out how much sand to use in the sand filter. There was a label on the barrel that had all these units of measurement we have never heard of, couldn't even find the answer googling it. I wish he had talked about this in the sand filter section. Just little things that totally clueless people like us might come up against. I am hoping that now that it's up the book will be more helpful about maintenance.

Want a beautiful, hassle-free pool? Now you can save thousands of dollars by doing it yourself. Using easy-to-follow examples and illustrations, "Poolman to the Stars" Terry Tamminen shows how to purchase, install, repair, maintain, and upgrade above ground pools. The author includes parts and tools lists, tricks of the trade for each procedure, and a difficulty rating to help readers decide when it's time to call a professional. \*How to select the best pool for your site, budget, and individual use \* Realistic cost estimates \* Installation and repair \* Heating inexpensively and repairing heaters \* Repairing and replacing liners \* Winterizing \* Decks made easy \* Pool enhancements for added value

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