

## Dry Stone Walls (Basics, Construction, Significance) Book Review by Sunny Wieler



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I first came across this book back in 2015 in Austria, when one of the contributors to the book, Theodor Schmidt gave a great technical talk the effects of wind and earth pressures on Walls. He also spoke about the publication of this book, which was then only in German, So I am very happy to see that this book has been translated into English last year.

The book is originally based on research undertaken by many swiss experts from the Swiss Environmental Operation Foundation (SUS). For six years, a total of around 40 experts from a wide range of fields have worked on, or contributed to this publication with a goal to produce the drystone bible.

The book is full of rich content and fantastic illustrations and images over 470 glorious pages.

It covers all the basics but also the very technical aspects of dry stone construction, not to mention great information on the wildlife and Flora associated with walls.

This beautifully bound and designed book is not cheap, but if you have an interest in dry stone walls, it is worth every penny. The best value I have found is by ordering it through the Book Depository <u>here.</u>

More information about the book can be found on the website <a href="https://trockenmauerbuch.ch/">https://trockenmauerbuch.ch/</a>





