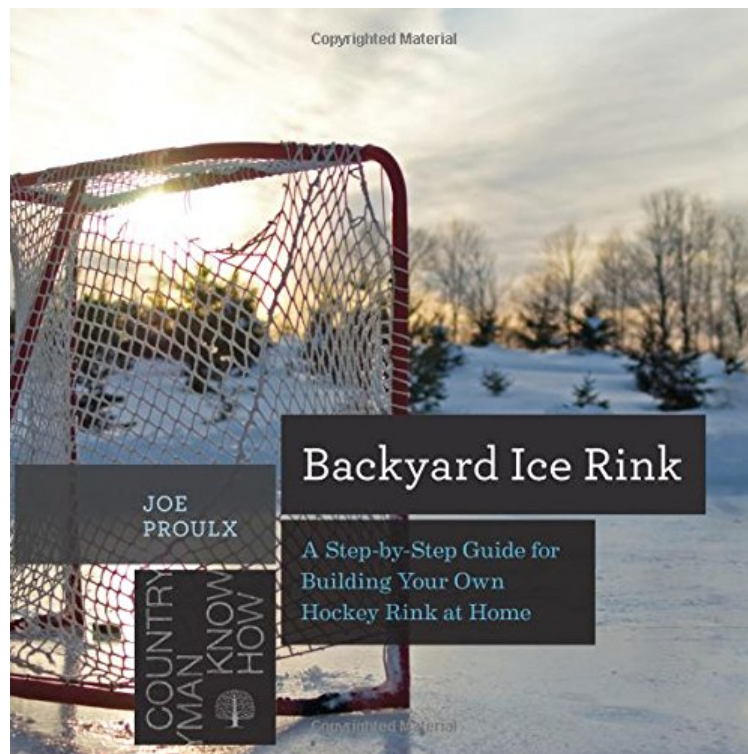


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and entertain...and convince the reader that the idea of building and maintaining a frozen slab of ice in a backyard is perfectly reasonable and achievable. I have built my own rink for 9 consecutive winters and wish I had as thorough a resource as this when starting out. I even learned a few tricks that I look forward to incorporating into this winters build. Proulx shares his years of experience as a rink-builder and a dad, and provides the reader with all the ingredients and instruction they need to make their own backyard rink come alive. Buy it and then go build it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Amazing collection of years of rink building knowledge in one place...fantastic By David Beaudet I've built a community rink for the past 5 years and learned a lot each year. Before my first year I was advised by a friend to contact one of the experts in backyard rinks and I was given Joe's name. Anyway, he offered some great advice to make the whole process go as smoothly as possible. When I heard he was writing a book I thought about how great it would have been to have this resource my first year. Now that I have the book, I'm happy to say there is great stuff in it for even the seasoned rink builder. I love the "extras" at the end including the ice thickness gauge (I'll be adding that this year) and tips on resurfacing. I've recommended this book to several new rinkers and all have been pleased with the content. In full disclosure, I submitted a picture to Joe when he was writing the book and I'm pleased to say an early season picture of my rink is featured on page 89. Thanks to Joe for demystifying the science AND art of rink building. Great job.

Simple, easy-to-follow instructions for building a compact (and removable) skating rink in your own backyard Driven in large part by the popularity of the NHL's Winter Classic, outdoor hockey is enjoying an unprecedented revival. For a sport that began under the open sky, a backyard rink allows for a return to the origins of the game and can provide a memorable neighborhood gathering place and a place for players to train without the expense of indoor ice rental. In *Backyard Ice Rink*, blogger and professional rink builder Joe Proulx guides you through every step of building your own backyard ice skating rink. From the simplest wooden frame to elaborate tall-board rinks, from measuring the slope in your yard to constructing your frame using parts found at your local hardware store, Proulx makes the project easy to tackle. In addition to the four easy-to-follow photo-intensive rink plans, Proulx also covers ice maintenance, building your own bench and goals, teardown, and storage through the summer months. 100 Color Illustrations

About the Author Joe Proulx is the founding editor at Backyard-Hockey.com, which is among the most popular backyard rink and pond hockey websites on the Web. In the fall of 2011, Joe and his wife launched *Elite Backyard Rinks*, a parts distributor and installer of backyard rinks. To date, he has built more than 90 backyard rinks in New England. He lives in Bedford, New Hampshire, with his wife and three children.