

# Information on Soils

## Publications

***Dirt: The Ecstatic Skin of the Earth***, by William Bryant Logan. 1995. Riverhead Books. New York, NY.

***SOIL! Get the Inside Scoop***, by David Lindbo and others. 2008. Softcover, 32 pages. Soil Science Society of America, Madison, WI.

***Tales from the Underground***, by David E. Wolfe. 2001. Perseus Publishing. Cambridge, MA.

***The Nature and Property of Soils***, 12th ed., Nyle C. Brady and Ray R. Weil. 1998. Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle, NJ.

***The Soul of Soil***, 4th ed., by Joe Smillie and Grace Gershuny. 1999. Chelsea Green Publishing Co. White River Junction, VT.

***Saving our Soil: Solutions for Sustaining Earth's Vital Resource***, by James Glanz. 1995. Johnson Printing. Boulder, CO.

***Soil Science Simplified***, 4th ed., Helmut Kohnke and D.P. Franzmeier. 1995. Waveland Press, Inc. Prospect Heights, IL.

***Sustaining Our Soils and Society***, by Thomas E. Loynachan, Kirk W. Brown, Terence H. Cooper, and Murray H. Milford. 1999. AGI Environmental Awareness Series, 2. American Geological Institute. Alexandria, VA.

***Urban Soil Primer***, 4th ed., by Scheyer, JM and KW Hipple. 2005. USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Natl. Soil Survey Center. Also available online:  
[soils.usda.gov/use/urban/primer.html](http://soils.usda.gov/use/urban/primer.html)

***Soil Biology Primer***, by Elaine R. Ingham, Andrew R. Moldenke, and Clive A. Edwards. 2000. Soil and Water Conservation Society, Ankeny, IA.

## Internet Sites

just add <http://> to most URLs or click on boxes in the PDF

## Soil Science Society of America

[www.soils.org/](http://www.soils.org/)

## NRCS Soils Web Page

[soils.usda.gov](http://soils.usda.gov)

Excellent resource – historical soil survey publications; soil geography; soil quality; the Soil Survey Geographic Data Base (SSURGO); tools for educators; photo gallery; and soil use.

## Web Soil Survey

[websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/](http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/)

## Ecological Site Descriptions – NRCS

[esis.sc.egov.usda.gov/Welcome/pgReportLocation.aspx?type=FSD](http://esis.sc.egov.usda.gov/Welcome/pgReportLocation.aspx?type=FSD)

## From the Surface Down

[ftp://ftp-fc.sc.egov.usda.gov/NSSC/Educational\\_Resources/surdown.pdf](ftp://ftp-fc.sc.egov.usda.gov/NSSC/Educational_Resources/surdown.pdf)

An excellent guide to soil survey publications.

## Soil Quality

[soils.usda.gov/sqi](http://soils.usda.gov/sqi)

Excellent resource to help you improve your soils

## Soil Science Education Page

[soil.gsfc.nasa.gov](http://soil.gsfc.nasa.gov)

Soil science basics; good examples of soil structure; ideas for teaching about soils

## Soil Science Course – North AZ University

[jan.ucc.nau.edu/~doetqp-p/courses/env320/](http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~doetqp-p/courses/env320/)

## Microbe Zoo

[commtechlab.msu.edu/sites/dlc-me/](http://commtechlab.msu.edu/sites/dlc-me/)

Microbial ecology; has a section on soil microbes

## Glomalin – The Soil's Superglue

[www.ars.usda.gov/is/AR/archive/oct97/glomalin1097.htm](http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/AR/archive/oct97/glomalin1097.htm)

## Soil Biological Communities

[www.blm.gov/nstc/soil/index.html](http://www.blm.gov/nstc/soil/index.html)

## Soil, Water, and Forage Testing Laboratory

[soiltesting.tamu.edu](http://soiltesting.tamu.edu)

## EarthKind

[earthkind.tamu.edu/EKPublications.html](http://earthkind.tamu.edu/EKPublications.html)

Information on compost, mulching, beneficial insects, rainwater harvesting, etc.