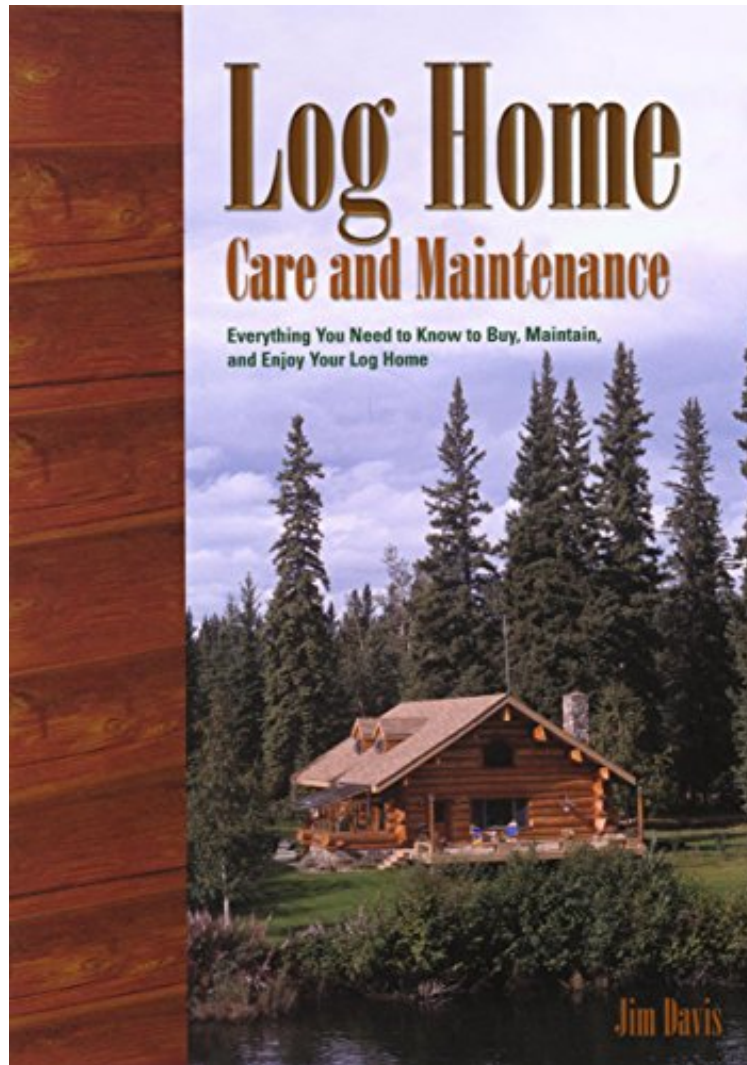


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buying a log home (deal fell through) and bought this book to learn what we didn't know. It is great for the new log home purchaser... tells you what to be aware of, what questions to ask, etc... It is a bit dated, but it seems like most of the info was still very useful. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Repaired 1970 Log Home By Linda Winkelman As a first time log home owner and jumping into home repairs this has really helped. My log home was built in the 1970 and really needs a lot of re-does. I highly recommend this to anyone jumping into log home repairs. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Book! By W. K. Upshaw There is so much misinformation out there on the maintenance of a log home it was great to finally get some definitive answers. For example our builder told us that we should not be concerned about "checking" since the splits always stopped before the center of the log. This book has an excellent section on the repair of checks and also the overall need to apply sealants as part of an ongoing maintenance program. After reading this you begin to see your log home not as a static structure but one that flexes and breathes with the seasons. Had I read this before building I'm not sure that I would have opted for the whole "real log" full Monty. Might have gone with the log siding (although that has issues of its own too). Overall would recommend this to anyone with a log home.

The fruit of three decades of hard-won wisdom, *Log Home Care and Maintenance* will be an indispensable reference for log home owners for years to come. Smart care of the log home begins with understanding the materials, and Jim Davis starts with the basics, explaining why logs make good homes, demystifying the science of wood, and talking about the properties of the various types of wood, and how they respond to changes in temperature and humidity. He follows with advice about inspecting and designing log homes, outlining approaches that will head off trouble before it sets in. A major portion of the book is given to the all-important discussion coats of sealants, detailing the differences between the competing products, and explaining how to choose and use them. Davis also presents a complete and easy-to-follow plan of regular maintenance, addressing problems related to everything from weather to general cleaning to fending off the assaults of insects. Final chapters cover replacement of entire logs, and evaluating contractors. Perhaps most important is Davis's overarching theme—that intelligent maintenance will save log home owners countless hours and, just as important, many dollars. For longtime and new log home owners alike, as well as anyone considering the purchase of a new or used log home, Jim Davis's guide is essential.

From the Back Cover For longtime and new log home owners alike, as well as anyone considering the purchase of a new or used log home, *Log Home Care and Maintenance* is a valuable reference that will help you save time and money, and avoid frustration—while ensuring that you get all the benefits and pleasure of living in a beautiful, solid, and satisfying home. Smart care of the log home begins with understanding the materials, and Jim Davis starts with the basics, explaining why logs make good homes, demystifying the science of wood, and talking about the properties of the various types of wood and how they respond to changes in temperature and humidity. He follows with advice about inspecting and designing log homes, outlining approaches that will head off trouble before it sets in. Also included is a complete and easy-to-follow plan of regular maintenance, addressing problems related to everything from weather to general cleaning to fending off the assaults of insects. Final chapters cover replacement of entire logs, and evaluating contractors. Most important is Davis's overarching theme - intelligent maintenance will save log home owners countless hours and, just as crucial, many dollars. *Log Home Care and Maintenance* features: * Complete instructions for dealing with the main enemies of a log home; sun, moisture, insects, and neglect. * Complete remedial instructions for owners with existing structural problems. * Charts, recommendations on maintenance and sealant product types, and checklists for prospective buyers of previously-owned log homes. For longtime and new log home owners alike, as well as anyone considering the purchase of a new or used log home, Jim Davis's guide is essential.