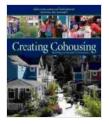
Creating Cohousing: Building Sustainable Communities

Cohousing is a form of intentional community living that emphasizes sustainability, social interaction, and shared resources. It is a great way to create a community that is both environmentally friendly and socially supportive.



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Cohousing communities are typically small, with 10 to 30 households. The homes are usually clustered around a common house, which includes shared spaces such as a kitchen, dining room, living room, and laundry room. The community also typically has shared outdoor spaces, such as a garden, playground, and green space.

Cohousing is a great way to reduce your environmental impact. By sharing resources, cohousing communities can reduce their energy consumption, water usage, and waste production. Cohousing communities also tend to be more walkable and bikeable than traditional neighborhoods, which can reduce air pollution.

Cohousing is also a great way to build community. Cohousing communities provide opportunities for social interaction, both planned and spontaneous. Residents often share meals, participate in activities together, and support each other in times of need.

Benefits of Cohousing

- Reduced environmental impact
- Increased social interaction
- Shared resources
- Community support
- Walkable and bikeable neighborhoods
- Affordable housing

How to Create a Cohousing Community

Creating a cohousing community is a complex process, but it is also a rewarding one. The following steps will help you get started:

- 1. Gather a group of like-minded people.
- 2. Develop a shared vision for your community.
- 3. Find a suitable piece of land.

- 4. Design your homes and common house.
- 5. Secure financing.
- 6. Build your community!

There are many resources available to help you create a cohousing community. The Cohousing Association of the United States (CAUS) is a national organization that provides support and resources to cohousing communities. CAUS offers a variety of resources, including a directory of cohousing communities, a list of architects and builders who specialize in cohousing, and a library of articles and books about cohousing.

If you are interested in learning more about cohousing, I encourage you to visit the CAUS website or to contact a local cohousing community. Cohousing is a great way to create a sustainable, supportive, and vibrant community.

Additional Resources

- Cohousing Association of the United States (CAUS)
- Directory of Cohousing Communities
- CAUS Resources
- CAUS Library



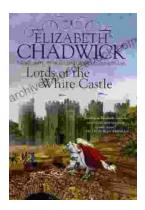
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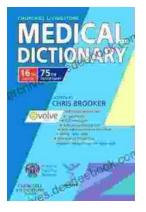
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