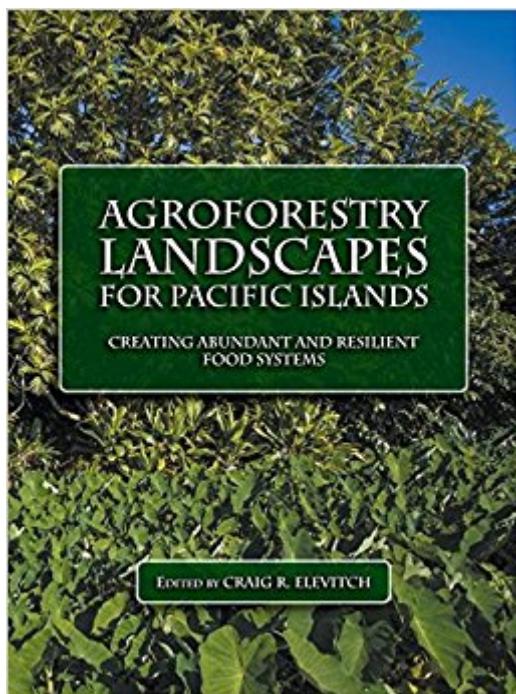


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# Agroforestry Landscapes For Pacific Islands: Creating Abundant And Resilient Food Systems



## Synopsis

This title focuses on low-input and sustainable techniques for growing food in the Pacific. It covers a range of time-tested traditional agroforestry systems, modern agroforestry, enhancing soil function using local resources, pest and disease control, integrating livestock, and getting started with planning and implementation.

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For millennia, tree-rich agroforestry landscapes have provided the countless ecological and cultural products and services that have been the hallmark of the beauty and health of our islands and peoples. Sadly, for over a century, in our rush to modernize and promote monocultural export agriculture, we have seen the accelerating breakdown of these life-giving systems. Agroforestry Landscapes for Pacific Islands highlights the countless benefits and positive characteristics of agroforestry within the context of a rapidly urbanizing Pacific. It presents solutions for planning, implementing, and maintaining and enriching agroforestry systems tailored to the diverse "ridge-to-reef" island environments and cultures of the Pacific. It is a wonderful book for anyone interested in the arboreal, agricultural, and cultural diversity of the Pacific Islands and how each and every one of us can play roles in ensuring that this tree-rich heritage be preserved and enriched as a foundation for food, health, energy, and livelihood security and our front line of defense against climate, environmental, and economic change in a rapidly globalizing Pacific Island world. --R.R. Thaman, The University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji Islands

IslandsÂ is a must-have for anyone interested in tropical agroforestry food production systems. It is well written, beautifully illustrated, and accessible to a wide audience. It integrates the richness and expertise inherent in traditional agroforestry practices of Pacific Islanders with in-depth information obtained from scientific studies. This book is a monumental achievement that reflects 15 years of publications by PAR for practical implementation. While focused on the Pacific Islands, this publication will find an appreciative audience throughout the tropics. It provides a blueprint for cultivating sustainable traditional agroforestry systems to provide food security and support local economic development. --Diane Ragone, Breadfruit Institute, National Tropical Botanical Garden

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Ue Kalani, Ola ka Honua. Tears of Heaven, Life to the Earth.Â Agroforestry Landscapes for Pacific IslandsÂ deeply recognizes the relationships driving the web of life. Its recognition of Indigenous Science and reinforcement of traditional diversity is a solution to monoculture, mono-cropping, and the monopolies that seem to be causal in the decline of our healthy, sustainable agricultural systems. --M. Kalani Souza, Olohana Foundation, Hawai'i

--This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Craig Elevitch has been an educator in agroforestry and sustainable human agroecosystems since 1993. He directs Agroforestry Net, a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to empowering people in agroforestry and ecological resource management. The organization's internationally recognized publications and workshops have guided thousands in becoming more proficient in ecological food production, agroforestry, and reforestation. He has facilitated numerous agroforestry workshops in the Pacific, with over 6,000 producers and resource professionals participating since 1993. Craig's popular agroforestry works includeÂ Agroforestry Guides for Pacific IslandsÂ (2000),Â Traditional Trees of Pacific Islands: Their Culture, Environment, and UseÂ (2006), andÂ Specialty Crops for Pacific IslandsÂ (2011), all of which promote diverse agricultural systems that are environmentally and ecologically sustainable. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

A relatively new release, but surprised I havent heard of it in our island sustainable community

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An amazingly comprehensive resource, compiled by one of the foremost leaders in agroforestry. A must-have for anyone seriously interested in designing, installing, and maintaining agroforests.

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