

# Research Guides



## HOME REPAIR

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#### **How to Fix Anything: Essential Home Repairs Anyone Can Do – 643.7 How**

This handy guide covers the essential household repairs that homeowners need to know. You'll learn how to handle issues in any room in the house, garage, and yard as well as simple lessons in plumbing and electricity.

#### **Popular Mechanics: Complete Home How-To - 643.7 Jac**

Detailed, straightforward instructions for projects inside and outside the house are supplemented with a wealth of photographs, exploded diagrams, and drawings.

#### **The Holmes Manual: Expert Answers to Your Most Common Home Maintenance - 643.7 N**

From top to bottom, outside to inside, Mike answers homeowners' most common questions and provides solutions for everyday problems. Packed with color photographs, handy tips and sidebars, The Holmes Manual is a must-have guide for every homeowner.

#### **Dare to Repair: A Do-It-Herself Guide to Fixing (Almost) Anything... - 643.7 Sus**

Provides step-by-step illustrated instructions for making basic household repairs and includes home safety tips.

#### **How to Fix Everything for Dummies - 643.76 Hed**

A guide to troubleshooting and fixing a wide variety of appliances, gadgets, and machinery shows readers how to repair lamps, vacuum cleaners, dishwashers, dryers, garbage disposals, blenders, washers, televisions, radios, and other household items.

### FINDING BOOKS AND OTHER LIBRARY MATERIALS

#### **Dewey Decimal browsing numbers: 643.7**

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- EBSCOhost and General OneFile - Access from the Library or at home using your library card number at [www.wtpl.org](http://www.wtpl.org). Search for full-text articles in these online databases using your choice of keywords. You can limit the search to a certain year or even a certain magazine.

## WEB SITES

### **Ask the Builder**

Dozens of home building, remodeling and improvement tips and a helpful advice column. Also includes videos. [www.askbuild.com](http://www.askbuild.com)

### **Bob Vila**

Hundreds of organized, how-to tips from television's Bob Vila. Also includes videos. [www.bobvila.com](http://www.bobvila.com)

### **Do It Yourself**

Hundreds of detailed how-to articles and forums. [www.doityourself.com](http://www.doityourself.com)

### **Home Repair**

About.com's organized, multi-linked site. Includes home repair essentials. [www.homerepair.about.com](http://www.homerepair.about.com)

### **Home Tips**

Links and tips on home improvement, remodeling, repair, decorating, buying appliances and more. [www.hometips.com](http://www.hometips.com)

### **This Old House**

Tons of articles ranging from home improvement to diy tips updated very often. [www.thisoldhouse.com/](http://www.thisoldhouse.com/)

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