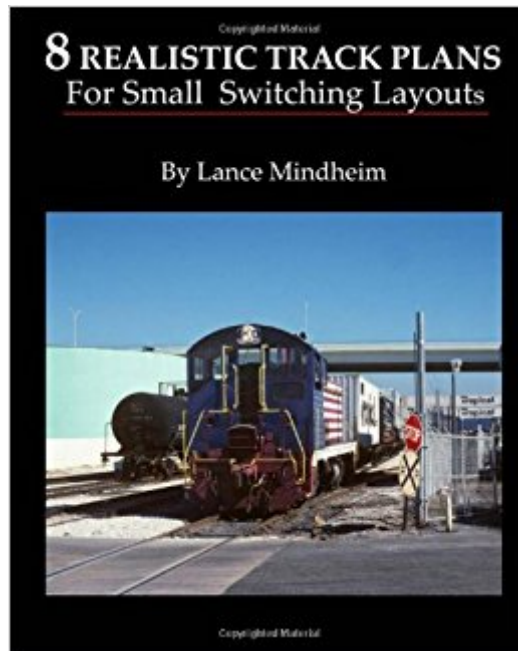


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# 8 Realistic Track Plans For Small Switching Layouts



## Synopsis

8 Realistic Track Plans For Small Switching Layouts provides easy to follow track plans for building small but fun model railroads that will fit in a typical spare room. Each plan is designed to be visually inspiring, easy to build, and fun to operate. Included are port railroads, modern era themes, and themes for the 1950's.

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I really wanted to like this book, and given the price I didn't expect a full on Kalmbach treatment, but something I could sink my teeth into given the reputation of the author. Frankly it fell down in several areas the most glaring was the lack of content, what I felt were pretty pedestrian layout suggestions, photo's that didn't really add much to the atmosphere of the subjects and the use of large fonts in what seemed an attempt to take up white space in the book. I don't mean to come off harsh...really. Like I said, I didn't expect something from a mega publisher, my expectations were much higher. Maybe that was the problem, high expectations and little in the way of meat to sink my teeth into. Many of the layouts start and finish with a yard and that is very common, and not very interesting. Suggestions: Use a track planning tool like Anyrail or others that actually show us that the components you called out will work in that space. I see a few areas that might be a squeeze. We would also get locations of the sections you call out and what parts to order. Will these plans work with Kato roadbed track as well as Atlas Code 55? No idea. Give us reference to what kit structures we need to anchor the layout and who makes them. Not every building needs to be identified, but a few. I learned in Journalism school to never assume your reader knows what you do. If they did, they wouldn't buy your paper or book. Give the beginner and those of us salty veterans a starting

place so we can get juiced about one of your layouts. HO modelers are not the only ones out there...give us minor scale modelers a bone or two with track plans we don't have to rig around with. You had plenty of room, smaller fonts, use empty pages etc.

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