Resilience and the Cultural Landscape
Understanding and Managing Change in Human-Shaped Environments

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All over the world, efforts are being made to preserve landscapes facing fundamental change as a consequence of widespread agricultural intensification, land abandonment and urbanization. The ‘cultural landscape’ and ‘resilience’ approaches have, until now, largely been viewed as distinct methods for understanding the effects of these dynamics and the ways in which they might be adapted or managed. This book brings together these two perspectives, providing new insights into the social-ecological resilience of cultural landscapes by coming to terms with, and challenging, the concepts of ‘driving forces’, ‘thresholds’, ‘adaptive cycles’ and ‘adaptive management’. By linking these research communities, this book develops a new perspective on landscape changes. Based on firm conceptual contributions and rich case studies from Europe, the Americas and Australia, it will appeal to anyone interested in analyzing and managing change in human-shaped environments in the context of sustainability.

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