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Growing Perennials In Cold Climates





Synopsis

Growing Perennials in Cold Climates is destined to be a landmark in gardening publishing. It is the first book ever of its kind for perennial gardeners.Beginning with the 50 best perennial groups to grow in cold climates, the book details both the good and the bad news about these plants in the most reader-friendly, easy-to-follow fashion in the history of gardening publishing. It includes easily accessible information on how to grow cold climate perennials, where to plant them, the different soil types, companion plants, and caring, pruning, and propagation. Fully illustrated throughout, this is the guide that gardeners living in colder climates have been waiting for.

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Customer Reviews

Cold climates, so the authors define, are regions in which winter temperatures can fall below 20 degrees. They list 50 of the most popular perennial groups and, within these groups, give details on 1,700 wild and cultivated varieties best suited to cold climates. There are in-depth profiles of each plant group and descriptions and specific growing details on each variety. Site, light, soil, and moisture requirements are given, along with instructions on planting, caring, and propagation. The authors also offer tips on using the plants as cut-and-dried flowers and on choosing companion plants. Part 2, "The Basics of Growing Perennials," is a crash course in perennial gardening, giving advice on preparing a site, buying potted perennials, composting, watering, mulching, fertilizing,

weeding, staking, deadheading, pruning, winter protection, and problems such as diseases and insects. George Cohen

As many as 65 percent of America's gardeners live in colder regions, and based on extensive market research, gardeners in cold climates need, and are willing to pay for, quality information on growing healthy, hardy perennials. This handsome, comprehensive, and fully illustrated volume presents the 50 best perennials to grow in cold climates, as well as an encyclopedic listing of 1,700 garden-tested plant recommendations of the most hardy varieties. Gardeners will discover everything they could possibly want to know about raising perennials, including how to grow them, where to plant them, facts on soil types, companion plants, caring, pruning, trouble-shooting, and propagation. With tips, hints, and secrets from gardening professionals revealed throughout the book, this is truly the cold climate gardener's bible. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The best resource I have ever seen detailing the different perennials, how and where to plant, propagation, attractive flower companions and more. The authors detail each plant and provide a list of varities with their recomendations listed in a five star rating system. I have been a serious gardner for 10 years and I have learned more from this book than any other source!

This book is a very complete guide for growing perennials in cold climates. It has lots of pictures, lists best varieties of plants, highlights best performing perennials, provides resources to obtain plants, how to plant and care for the plants, as well as methods of propagation. Best of all, it leaves out plants that won't thrive where winters get below -20 degrees, saving frustration and wasted money. It's a wonderful reference book!

This book is the book I wanted to write. It provides the attributes of each plant it describes - the plant's appearance, size, companion plants, etc. More importantly, it explains how to plant each one, both bare root and potted; whether to deadhead; and how long lived the plant may be. Comprehensive! Northern and midwest gardeners need this "bible."

Detailed and very helpful for someone who wants to improve and maintain gardens and is not a master gardener.

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I regret that I didn't catch this isn't the newly updated version that came out in the last few months. This is a great reference book, with gorgeous pictures and helpful instructions, but it doesn't have the updated info on suppliers for the more rare plants.

I purchased this book after listening to two of the authors on public radio. It is an awesome book! OMG! It is filled with so much information. All you would ever need to know. The pictures are great!! So glad to have this book in my library.

Northern Gardening is a challenge and this book can help you choose what will grow best in your area. Good reference.

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