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Heavenly Hydrangeas: A Practical Guide For The Home Gardener



Synopsis

A comprehensive hydrangea handbook for the home gardener with expert advice on selection, planting, pruning, propagation, and providing basic care. More than 250 vivid color photos clarify such topics as flower color and seasonal changes. With single topic chapters and answers to frequently asked questions, this is a handy and easily accessible guide for both beginning and experienced gardeners.

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Customer Reviews

Heavenly Hydrangeas is both a celebration of a beautiful and versatile shrub and a down-to-earth guide to help with cultivation and enjoyment. Lay gardeners will appreciate the repetition of information throughout this reference book. The redundancy â€œ rather than feeling repetitious â€œ is actually a useful and quick way to cross-reference different hydrangeas under various categories. Hundreds of photos add beauty to a very practical book, written in an easy-to-understand style. However, more seasoned gardeners who have moderate experience with hydrangeas could find the book too basic. This book does not attempt to be a scholarly work or an exhaustive reference. A reader more familiar with the subject will realize that some species of hydrangeas are entirely absent from the discussion. These are, admittedly, not the most popular types, but a serious hydrangea enthusiast could still be disappointed. A more heavy-duty book for such gardeners or professionals would be Michael Dirr's *Hydrangeas for American Gardens*.

A very comprehensive book about hydrangeas. It has information that will help anyone interested in

different varieties and provides enough information for the novice to have excellent results with both growing and using these flowering shrubs in landscaping their yards. I believe hydrangeas are on the rebound in popularity and will become more common because of the improved plants such as Endless Summer. They grow well in different parts of the country and some will tolerate more sun than you would expect. They seem to like partial sun in the deep south with, of course, a drink of water as needed. Lots of pretty photos and lots of useful information. A useful book for the gardener with a penchant for having a beautiful yard.

So glad I got this book! I have a deep love for Hydrangeas but didn't really know much about how to care for them. This book is not only full of great information, but is filled with gorgeous photography of the many types of Hydrangeas. It includes basic care, where to plant them and the best types for your growing zone. A must have for the Hydrangea lover!

Oh my what a gorgeous book; it is truly one to purchase and display, but more importantly, one to refer to often for true hydrangea lovers. The hydrangea is one of my very favorite blossoms, and I love how so many different varieties are available these days. This book covers everything from How to select various species by climate, size, sun/shade requirements, how to achieve the desired colors, traits, planting tips, how to care for them, and how to incorporate them in a garden. Now that we live in a condo I have fewer of them (just 5) than at our previous house, but I have different varieties: ever blooming, lace and traditional in blues, purples, pink and hot pink, but after reading this book, I learned that even a condo-dweller like me can foster the love for these amazing plants, by use of "containers". I never knew that some hydrangeas could be grown in large pots -- how cool is that? There is also another example of a "paniculata" being trained to grow as a small tree which was also pretty cool. I especially loved the climbing hydrangeas featured in this book, and the lovely section on indoor enjoyment: drying and decorating. This book is not only informative, but the color photography is just amazing--- many of the photos were taken on Cape Cod estates. BUY IT!!!

Great information and great pic's that really highlight and illustrate the plant and the topic that is being discussed. This would be enjoyable for anyone, even those not interested in doing the planting.

A beautiful book with easy to understand info. In some ways almost a little too much information for someone new to hydrangeas, but because of this I know I will refer to this book again and again as I

become more acquainted with my new favorite flower. This book gave me a ton of ideas about how to use hydrangeas (who knew they would be so beautifully suited to a windowbox!?) and practical info about siting and care. It took the mystery and intimidation away. I will soon be planting more and more of this lovely summer treat for the eyes.

I try to grow hydrangeas in southern Thailand. This book help me to be good hydrangeas gardener.

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This a beautiful book with so much information and so many photos. I bought it last year; my friend wanted to borrow it often so I gave it to her for her birthday. She was thrilled.

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