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# Plants For Houston And The Gulf Coast





## Synopsis

Whether you're a first-time homeowner, dedicated gardener, or landscape professional, if you're gardening on the Gulf Coast, you need Howard Garrett's Plants for Houston and the Gulf Coast. Garrett is one of Texas's top organic gardening experts, and gardeners rely on him for accurate, sensible advice about what to plant and how to maintain healthy yards and landscapes without synthetic fertilizers and toxic pesticides. In Plants for Houston and the Gulf Coast, Garrett presents nearly 400 plants, both native and adapted, that grow well in Southeast Texas. Like all of Howard Garrett's books, Plants for Houston and the Gulf Coast is loaded with indispensable gardening information: Nearly 400 trees, shrubs, groundcovers and vines, annuals and perennials, and grasses 400 full-color, close-up photos of the plants Expert information about each plant's appearance, growing requirements, landscape uses, potential problems, and other interesting facts Precise, easy-to-follow instructions about how to design a garden, prepare the soil, install trees and other plants, grow grass and control weeds, and maintain the landscape and control pests A detailed gardening calendar for Southeast Texas that lists specific plants to plant and maintenance tasks to perform each month No other book currently available provides such extensive and reliable information for Texas Gulf Coast gardeners.

### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

This is a great resource book for people living along the Gulf coast. The heat and humidity can zap plants quickly--this book lets you know which ones can stand the heat, and which ones cannot.At

the end of each section is a great list of plants, that are broken down into different areas. If you want a tree for fall color, it has a list of those. Spring flowering? It's in there. You want shrubs that will do well in full sun? Got it. Is your yard shady? It's got a list for that.Best of all, it has a list for plants to avoid.It also has a handy calendar for your 'to do' list each month.Very thorough and comprehensive.

I really like this book because it is about local plants of the area. The colors are great as are the descriptions of the plants. I have been able to identify plants that I have and did not know the names of. This is the second book we have purchased from this Author.

The Colored pictures are a great help. Could have gone into more detail on specific plants for the gulf area.

Garrettt provides succinct information in an easily accessible manner. Photographs are lovely and leave no question about plant identification. It is an excellent guide as well as reference.

Howard knows his stuff, and this book gives great advice and has great pics. If you planing a landscape for your yard in Houston, or Zone 9 areas get this book

This is a great book with nice pictures and very helpful info. The book was wrapped in plastic to keep it from getting damaged.

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