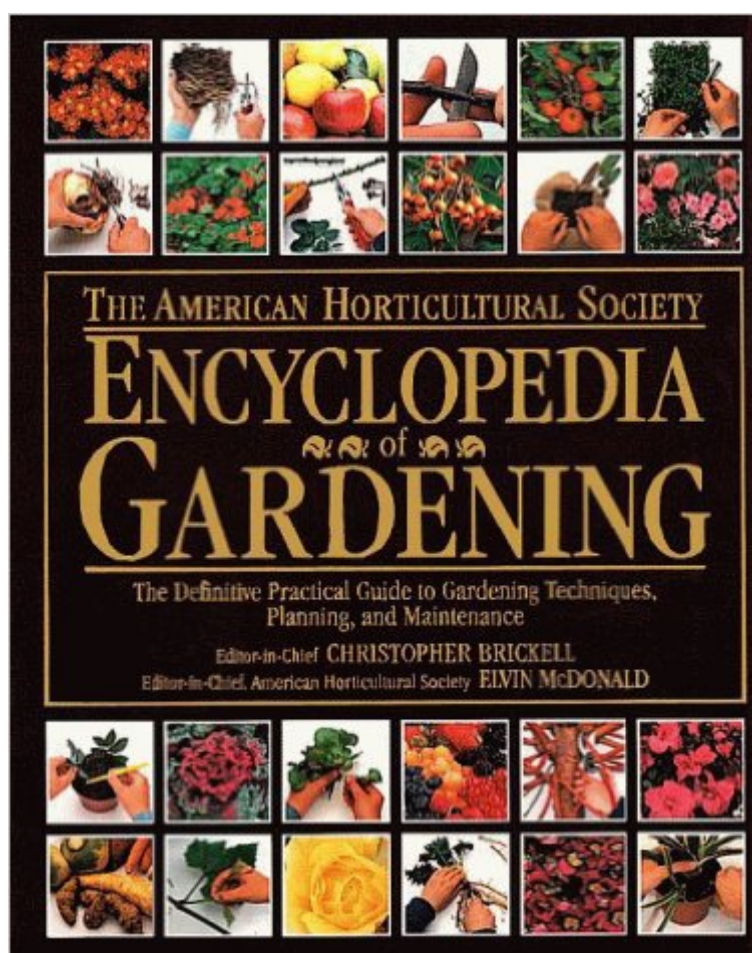


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# American Horticultural Society Encyclopedia Of Gardening (American Horticultural Society Practical Guides)



## Synopsis

The American Horticultural Society Encyclopedia of Gardening is the one and only practical guide to gardening you'll ever need. The comprehensive, authoritative, and up-to-date text -- supported by more than 3,000 specially commissioned color photographs -- guides you expertly through the entire range of gardening techniques. The first section of the book, *Creating the Garden*, opens with detailed information on garden planning and design. Other chapters focus on the major plant groups, including trees, shrubs, and perennials, as well as special areas such as the fruit garden and indoor garden. Each chapter presents detailed, in-depth coverage of soil preparation, planting, routine care, pruning and propagation with step-by-step photographs and artwork. Important plant groups, such as hostas, daylilies, and peonies, are highlighted. The second section of the book, *Maintaining the Garden*, covers tools and materials as well as soil and climate in different regions of the United States. Construction projects, from putting up fencing to building a pergola, are covered with easy-to-follow photographic sequences. A gallery of pests and diseases aids in quick identification and control. There is also a gardener's calendar with seasonal reminders and an extensive glossary. Written by Experts: Endorsed by the American Horticultural Society, the Encyclopedia of Gardening has been expertly researched and written by a team of more than 50 distinguished international gardening specialists. Four years in the making, painstakingly photographed and carefully written, The American Horticultural Society Encyclopedia of Gardening is truly the ultimate gardening reference book.

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I am amazed by DK photography. How do they do it? The photographs are stunning and live up to the DK name! There are over 3,000 specially commissioned color photographs. If you want a book to inspire you to get out into the garden, this one will tempt you to the couch first. You will want to pour over the pages and read all about designing an herb or rock garden. Did you know there is a "tomato tree?" How amusing. They are actually called tamarillos. The floating garden picture with beautiful pink water lilies was about as much as a gardener could handle for inspiration. The pictures of the nine waterlilies were amazingly beautiful. If you want to construct a pond, there are step-by-step pictures. A chart for shrubs gave the names for shrubs with aromatic foliage or fragrant flowers. If you are looking for a book to define gardening, this is it. This is the most comprehensive guide to practical gardening techniques for every level of gardener. I am quite new at gardening and felt a bit confused as to which book I should buy. This book has it all. It was compiled under the expert editorship of Christopher Brickell from the Royal Horticultural Society, Elvin McDonald, Trevor Cole and an expert team of over 50 professional gardening specialists. Here is a book that shows you how to plan and implement every gardening technique. You will feel as confident planting a tree as you will hybridizing a rose. The 400 step-by-step photographic sequences, easy-to-follow text and up-to-date information makes this a gardener's dream. The first section of the book gives detailed information on garden planning and design. The second section explains how to maintain a garden.

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