

Waterwise Plants Paperback

Presents a guide to low-water-use plants to create a xeriscape. Gardening. Environmental Studies. Photographs by Saxon Holt. Illustrations by Richard Pembroke. This lavishly illustrated book celebrates the challenges and opportunities of gardening in Mediterranean climates, with special reference to northern California's San Francisco Bay Region. The core of the book is a catalog of more than 650 plants suited to regions with mild, usually wet winters and dry, often hot summers. These plants thrive with moderate to no summer irrigation when established, require little or no maintenance, and are reasonably available from nurseries, botanic gardens, native plant sales, or specialty seed suppliers. Many of the 542 color photographs show plants in garden settings to suggest attractive and compatible plant combinations. Summary charts provide information on each plant, such as bloom time, needs for water and sun, and preferences for coastal or inland microclimates. Lists suggest plants for special situations, such as hot sites, dryish shade, small gardens, and clay soils. Chapters on landscape design and maintenance inspire readers to make gardens that use little water and no harmful chemicals, with a focus on building healthy soil. Practical steps to successful design are supplemented with ideas for designing with microclimate, attracting wildlife, and fire safety. Sidebars by local experts discuss weather, natural landscapes, design solutions, and gardening with recycled water. "A valuable resource for climate-compatible gardening in the San Francisco Bay Area that will also be of interest to gardeners in other parts of the world with a similar seasonal pattern of winter rain and dry summers. This book will occupy a prominent place in my library for many years to come."—Katherine Greenberg, president Mediterranean Garden Society "This book is beautifully designed with abundant photographs of plants, many in garden settings, and it is packed with the kind of information gardeners need for their own special situations. Simply stunning! Bravo!"—Phyllis M. Faber, editor University of California Press Created by area professionals, the 48 designs use over 200 of the best regional plants. Learn to install and care for plants, paths, fences, walls. More than 470 color photos and drawings. Now covers the entire state of California.

Winner of the 2018 HMAA Laurel Award for best book First published as The Australian Native Garden There's never been a more crucial time to droughtproof your garden and to consider Australian native plants as a key component in your outdoor space. This award-winning practical volume, from two of the country's foremost horticultural experts, offers everything you need to know about designing and growing a garden that promotes careful water use and features Australian native plants in the home garden. Including information on the fundamentals of Australian soils, cultivation techniques, drainage, pruning, fertilising and maintenance, as well as creating a fire-resistant garden, establishing habitats attractive to native fauna and growing your own bush foods. The Waterwise Australian Native Garden is a highly illustrated, comprehensive showcase of the best plants to choose and the best gardens from which to draw inspiration. It's a must-have for garden lovers all over this wide, brown land. 'If you're looking to improve or create a native garden, this is the book for you' - Australian Geographic 'This is a book to treasure, and one that will be a companion for a lifetime' - Adelaide Advertiser 'An authoritative reference for home gardeners everywhere' - Country Home Ideas

230 Native Plants for a Lush, Low-Water Landscape

Over 100 Flowers and Vibrant Plants for Drought, Desert & Dry Times

A practical guide to garden design, plant selection and much more

Correas

Waterwise Plants for Sustainable Gardens

California Native Plants for the Garden

How To Grow Food With Or Without Irrigation

How to Grow a Gorgeous Garden with a Lot Less Water

“I can’t imagine a designer or avid gardener who wouldn’t want this on their bookshelf.” —Garden Design Online
Waterwise Plants for Sustainable Gardens is a practical guide to the best 200 plants guaranteed to thrive in low-water gardens. Plant entries provide the common and botanical name, the regions where the plant is best adapted, growth and care information, and notes on pests and disease. This practical and inspiring guide includes a variety of plants, from trees to succulents, perennials to bulbs, all selected for their wide adaptability and ornamental value. Companion plants, creative design ideas, and full color photography make this guide a must-have resource for any sustainable gardener.

Waterwise Plants for Sustainable Gardens200 Drought-Tolerant Choices for all Climates*Timber Press*

A must-have for every gardener in California looking for a new way to garden in a changing climate
In recent years California has been facing extreme drought, and in 2015 they passed state-wide water restrictions that affect home owners. Unfortunately the drought is only going to get worse, and gardeners who aren’t willing to abandon their beloved pastime entirely are going to have to learn how to garden with the absolute minimum of water. The Drought-Defying California Garden highlights the best 230 plants to grow, shares advice on how to get them established, and offers tips on how to maintain them with the minimum amount of water. All of the plants are native to California—making them uniquely adept at managing the harsh climate—and include perennials, annuals, shrubs, trees, and succulents.

“Designing with Succulents is inspiring, practical, and complete—a treasure for any gardener who loves these otherworldly beauties.” —Kathleen N. Brenzel, Sunset Succulents offer dazzling possibilities and require very little maintenance to remain lush and alluring year-round. No one knows them better than the Queen of Succulents, Debra Lee Baldwin. This new, completely revised edition of her bestselling classic is a design compendium that is as practical as it is inspirational. Designing with Succulents shares design and cultivation basics, hundreds of succulent plant recommendations, and 50 companion plant profiles.

Lavishly illustrated with 400 photographs, you’ll find everything you need to visualize, create, and nurture a thriving, water-smart succulent garden.

Gaia’s Garden

Gardening the Mediterranean Way

Striking Succulent Gardens

Dazzling Plants, Design Ideas, and Proven Techniques for Your Shady Garden

The Colorful Dry Garden

Xeriscape Color Guide

A Guide to Home-scale Permaculture

Create a Paradise between the Sidewalk and the Curb

Rainfall levels are rarely optimal, but there are hundreds of things you can do to efficiently conserve and use the water you do have and to reduce the impact of drought on your soil, crops, livestock, and farm or ranch ecosystem. Author Dale Strickler introduces you to the same innovative systems he used to transform his own drought-stricken family farm in Kansas into a thriving, water-wise, and profitable enterprise, maximizing healthy cropland, pasture, and water supply. Ranging from simple, short-term projects such as installing rain-collection ollas to long-term land-management planning strategies, Strickler’s methods show how to get more water into the soil, keep it in the soil, and help plants and livestock access it. This publication conforms to the EPUB Accessibility specification at WCAG 2.0 Level AA.

A gloriously illustrated guide to planning the design and choosing the right plants to make a rich and sumptuous garden featuring Australian natives from the ABC garden guru.

This extensively revised and expanded edition broadens the reach and depth of the permaculture approach for urban and suburban gardeners. The text's message is that working with nature, not against it, results in more beautiful, abundant, and forgiving gardens.

A how-to approach covering all the basics of water-wise gardening.

Low-Tech, Low-Cost Techniques: Use up to 90% Less Water in Your Garden

Lawn Gone!

Succulents

Xeriscape Plant Guide

Dryland Gardening

Low-Maintenance, Sustainable, Attractive Alternatives for Your Yard

Low-Water-Use Plants

A beautiful, inspiring book featuring well-chosen examples of landscape designs that succeed. This book goes beyond pretty pictures to include specific information on plant and hardscaping options so you can make an informed decision on which options make sense for your yard.

Subjects covered include: Understanding landscape styles, landscape materials, landscape elements, gardens & border plantings, landscape structures, firepits & fireplaces, landscape lighting, and many more.

A practical volume for the home or business owner on landscaping with native, drought-tolerant plants in the Rocky Mountain West. Filled with color illustrations, photos, and design sketches, over 100 native species are described, while practical tips on landscape design, water-wise irrigation, and keeping down the weeds are provided. In this book you will learn how to use natural landscapes to inspire your own designed landscape around your business or home and yard. Included are design principles, practical ideas, and strong examples of what some homeowners have already done to convert traditional "bluegrass" landscapes into ones that are more expressive of the West. Landscaping on the new Frontier also offers an approach to irrigation that minimizes the use of supplemental water yet ensures the survival of plants during unusually dry periods. You will learn how to combine ecological principles with design principles to create beautiful home landscapes that require only minimal resources to maintain.

Tough-but-beautiful plant picks There’s a growing demand for dependably hardy plants that require less maintenance and less water, but look no less beautiful in the garden. Plant Select—the leading purveyor of plants designed to thrive in difficult climates—meets this need by promoting plants that allow gardeners everywhere to have stunning, environmentally-friendly gardens that use fewer resources. Pretty Tough Plants highlights 135 of Plant Select’s top plant picks. Each profile features a color photograph and specific details about the plant’s size, best features, and bloom season, along with cultural needs, landscape features, and design ideas. The plant list includes perennials and annuals, groundcovers, grasses, shrubs, and trees. A chart at the end of the book makes it easy to choose the right plants for specific conditions and needs. **From spring green to winter gold, the drama of grasses is nonstop. One of the few books available that advises the gardener on how to uses grasses in the garden, "Grasses" features plans and practical advice for more than 24 unique gardens. The book includes an identification guide to the plants and features more than 150 color photos, illustrations, and landscape plans.**

A Maintenance Guide for Landscapers, Gardeners and Land Managers

Sunset Western Garden Book of Easy-Care Plantings

Plants and Landscapes for Summer-dry Climates of the San Francisco Bay Region

How to Create a Waterwise, Drought-Tolerant Garden

Water-Wise Gardening

The Drought-Defying California Garden

Glorious Shade

Inspiring Designs and Vibrant Plants for the Waterwise Gardener

The definitive plant guide for gardeners who want a lush, colorful garden that will thrive in a summer-dry climate.

Presents a guide to creating a garden in such unused spaces as land beside a driveway, next to steps, or between the sidewalk and the street curb, discussing how to prepare the soil and listing the varieties of plants suitable for these conditions.

“For those of you—and your numbers are growing—gardening in drought-stricken parts of the country, The Bold Dry Garden will quench your thirst for inspiration.”—New York Times Book Review
Ruth Bancroft is a dry gardening pioneer. Her lifelong love of plants led to the creation of one of the most acclaimed public gardens, The Ruth Bancroft Garden in Walnut Creek, California. The Bold Dry Garden offers unparalleled access to the garden and the extraordinary woman responsible for it. In its stunningly photographed pages, you’ll discover the history of the garden and the design principles and plant palette that make it unique. Packed with growing and maintenance tips, profiles of signature plants for a dry garden, and innovative design techniques, The Bold Dry Garden has everything you need to create a garden that is lush, waterwise, and welcoming.

A design-focused, easy-to-use guide to colorful, eye-catching foliage and flowers for your whole yard, from the ground plane to the canopy, for homeowners and landscapers faced with replacing thirsty gardens in California and other dry regions in the Western US. If readers must reluctantly remove water-guzzling favorites from the garden, they need equally beautiful substitutes! This book is a visual treat that supports the transition to dry gardening by proving that gardeners can have all the gorgeous color and flowers they had in the past using just a fraction of the water. Maureen Gilmer provides chapters on design categories of plants—flowering shrubs, the ground plain, eye-catching accents, ephemeral flowers, perennials for color, animated plants and fine textures, canopy, and edibles—with profiles for each plant plus background info and top picks lists. The Colorful Dry Garden is unique because it features only bold plants that are also heavy bloomers despite heat and limited water. It also features more than just Western native plants by including varieties from the world's driest climates.

Gardening in Summer-Dry Climates

The Water-Saving Garden

High and Dry

The Bold Dry Garden

Xeriscape Handbook

Create a Lush Garden of Waterwise Plants

Gardening with Less Water

Hellstrip Gardening

Succulents are plants that hold water in their leaves, such as cacti, aloe, and echeveria. They have captured the hearts of crafters, decorators, and plant lovers all over the world. Always popular as an outdoor plant in warm climates, succulents have found a new popularity as a try indoor plant that’s easy to care for and fun to look at. Idiot’s Guides: Succulents includes: + Everything needed to select, pair, pot, and care for succulent plants. + Snapshots of 100 of the most popular varieties of succulent plants, including care, color, hardiness, pairing, and a full-color photo for each. + 16 beautiful craft projects with how-to steps and color photos, including picture frames, wreaths, terrariums, centerpieces, and bouquets. + Tips on successfully propagating new succulents from existing plants. + Extensive advice on choosing pots and unique planters, repotting succulents, and pairing varieties for maximum impact. + An index of succulents by color and height that gives readers another tool for selecting the succulents that will look.

*California Friendly® is California’s future. Water reliability is dependent on using water wisely. We need to create sustainable gardens that rely on less water. This maintenance guide will help you support California’s future:*Uncover the secrets of efficient irrigation.*Explore the techniques for irrigating with recycled water.*Get the maintenance tips for hundreds of California Friendly® plants.*Discover the methods and means of managing weed and pest infestations.*Learn how to maintain rainwater capture opportunities.This book has been written for every landscaper, gardener and land manager in Southern California. It has been produced by the very first collaboration between three Southern California organizations, LADWP, MWD and SoCalGas. Grab a copy--they are free--use the information in your garden and help us create a beautiful, thriving and sustainable future.*

A guide to designing outdoor succulent gardens, with inspiration, advice, plant recommendations, and instructional step-by-step projects for container gardens, small-space gardens, mixed gardens, and more.

Guide to selecting plants for dry climate conditions with extensive plant lists and how-to-grow information.

Improve Your Soil's Ability to Hold and Supply Moisture for Plants; Maintain Feed and Drinking Water for Livestock when Rainfall Is Limited; Redesign Agricultural Systems to Fit Semi-arid Climates

A How-to Guide to Natural, Resource-wise Gardening

Gardening with Cold-hardy Dryland Plants

Versatile Partners for Uncommon Garden Design

Southwestern Landscaping with Native Plants

The Waterwise Australian Native Garden

Plants and Plans for Designing Your Low-Maintenance Landscape [a Gardening Book]

Australian Plants for Waterwise Gardens

"Eye-popping proof that water-wise gardens are bold, beautiful and brilliantly hued." –San Diego Home and Garden Dry weather defines the southwest, and it's getting dryer. As water becomes more precious, our gardens suffer. If we want to keep gardening, we must revolutionize our plant choices and garden practices. Hot Color, Dry Garden provides a joyful, color-filled way to exuberantly garden in low-water conditions. Garden expert Nan Sterman highlights inspiring examples of brilliant gardens filled with water-smart plants. You'll find information about designing for color using plants, architecture, and accessories, along with a plant directory that features drought-tolerant plants that dazzle.

This book illustrates that intricate, fragrant, and well-designed gardens don't need to be time-consuming to tend. Gardeners of all levels will learn about the types of plants that make their gardens as easy to care for as they are easy on the eyes. The Sunset Western Garden Book of Easy-Care Plantings is a book about smart plants, and smart ways to combine them, focusing on specific plant groups that are especially easy, that belong together, and that take the same conditions. Featuring chapters full of plant charts with photos, brief descriptions, and care advice, readers are sure to glean inspiration, design ideas, and enough tips and tricks to build their own garden that radiates both ease and beauty.

"California Native Plants for the Garden" is a comprehensive resource that features more than 500 of the best California native plants for gardening in the Mediterranean-climate areas of the world. Authored by three of the state's leading native-plant horticulturalists and illustrated with 450 color photos, this reference book also includes chapters on landscape design, installation, and maintenance. Detailed lists of recommended native plants for a variety of situations are also provided.

Designed to be used as a companion to Xeriscape Plant Guide, this book helps gardeners and landscapers design colorful, practical and water-wise environments.

Creating an Australian Garden

Designing with Succulents

Life After Lawns

Plants that Survive and Thrive in Tough Conditions

Landscaping on the New Frontier

Lessons from the Ruth Bancroft Garden

Landscaping with Native Plants of the Southwest

California Home Landscaping

Can you grow your own food without irrigation? Do you know how to make the best use of the water you have? Are you able to build a survival garden that will survive a changing climate or drought?Water-Wise Gardening gives you the answers and will change the way you think about growing food. If you were raised on gardening books extolling the wonders of dense plantings in tiny beds, this book will open your eyes to an entirely new realm of knowledge. Our ancestors knew how to grow food without pressure-treated lumber, massive piles of mulch, fancy containers or garden sprinklers. Most gardeners have never considered trying to garden on just rainfall - yet it's often possible. Sometimes it even gives you better-tasting and more nutrient-dense food. In Water-Wise Gardening, you'll learn how to simply and effectively grow food using ancient time-tested techniques that consume less water and less fertilizer and sometimes less effort. This new second edition greatly expands upon the groundbreaking work Steve did in his first edition and is a valuable resource for gardening in good times and in bad, helping you steward your liquid assets while still getting the best-looking and best-tasting produce you can imagine. This book focuses on how to grow food with limited water across the United States and Canada plus has new insight on how to irrigate and water wisely.If you are concerned about maintaining your family's food supply or farming with a minimal use of water, you need this book. Water-Wise Gardening is a must-have for every self-sufficiency library.

2016 Silver Nautilus Book Award Winner for Green Living & Sustainability Are you facing drought or water shortages? Gardening with Less Water offers simple, inexpensive, low-tech techniques for watering your garden much more efficiently — using up to 90 percent less water for the same results. With illustrated step-by-step instructions, David Bainbridge shows you how to install buried clay pots and pipes, wicking systems, and other porous containers that deliver water directly to a plant's roots with little to no evaporation. These systems are available at hardware stores and garden centers; are easy to set up and use; and work for garden beds, container gardens, and trees.

Guide for gardening using native plants of the Southwest.

Life After Lawns shows how to turn boring and thirsty lawns into dazzling, water-saving gardens, step by step. Simple explanations guide readers through the process of replacing grass with unique gardens that match their lifestyle and climate zone. Topics include: designing a garden that feels like home; finding expert landscape help; handling plans, permits, and contractors; killing the lawn and preparing the soil; saving money and water on irrigation; selecting the best plants for each part of the yard; and planting and tending the garden. Sustainable techniques such as retaining rainwater, fire-safe landscaping, and composting are described. Sidebars offer helpful tips, and hundreds of color photographs illustrate design ideas and plant choices. Combining their expertise on all phases of landscaping, from planning and design to construction and maintenance, the authors offer practical advice for beginners and professionals alike.

135 Resilient, Water-Smart Choices for a Beautiful Garden

200 Drought-Tolerant Choices for all Climates

Pretty Tough Plants

Plants for a Lush, Water-Conscious Landscape

Hot Color, Dry Garden

How to Choose Structures, Surfaces & Plants That Transform Your Yard

The Ultimate Guide to Low-Water Beds, Borders, and Containers

Grasses

A colorful guide to water-thrifty trees, shrubs, ground covers, vines, and accent plants.

A colorful guide covering the basics of replacing a traditional lawn with a wide variety of easy-care, no-mow, drought-tolerant, money-saving options that will appeal to today's busy, eco-conscious homeowner. Americans pour 300 million gallons of gas and 1 billion hours every year into mowing their lawns, not to mention 70 million pounds of pesticides and \$40 billion for lawn upkeep. No Wonder the anti-lawn movement is thriving, as today's eco-conscious consumers realize that their traditional lawns are water-hogging, chemical-ridden, maintenance-intensive burdens. Lawn Gone!, from award-winning gardening blogger Pam Penick, is the first basic introduction to low-water, easy-care lawn alternatives for beginning gardeners, written in a friendly style with an approachable package. It covers all the available time-saving options: alternative grasses, ground cover plants, artificial turf, hardscaping, mulch, and more. In addition, it includes step-by-step lawn-removal methods, strategies for dealing with neighbors and homeowner associations, and how to minimize your lawn if you're not ready to go all the way. Coastal gardeners throughout the United States will benefit from the advice in this practical, inspirational, and illustrated book on Mediterranean gardening, which is beautiful year-round.

As the world heats up and we become more and more conscious of our place in the natural scheme, the appeal of the native plants of the Southwest becomes ever more compelling for gardeners. In addition to providing year-round beauty with relatively little maintenance, landscaping with native plants contributes to the repair of the natural ecosystem and brings us closer to our environment—and the array of native plant material available to the Southwestern gardener is diverse and spectacular, providing seemingly endless opportunities for creative and attractive landscapes. In Landscaping with Native Plants of the Southwest, George Oxford Miller provides the definitive guide to choosing the best of the best among the native plants of Arizona and New Mexico. Covering wildflowers, shrubs, trees, vines, groundcovers, and cacti, this comprehensive, richly illustrated book selects the species whose ornamental qualities, growth habit, adaptability, maintenance needs, and beauty add up to the highest landscape value. The illustrations, maps, and charts provide guidelines for species selection and planting, ongoing maintenance, landscape design, and water and energy conservation. In-depth plant profiles describe the habitat requirements for more than 350 native plant species, subspecies, and varieties, with lush photographs illustrating how each plant looks and responds to landscape conditions. As the interest in native-plant landscaping and xeriscaping continues to grow, this book will find a place on the shelf of every gardener and landscaper in the region—or of anybody interested in recreating the beauty of the Southwest in a hot, dry corner of the yard.

100 Water-wise Plants for Gardens and Landscapes

For California and the Southwest

Waterwise Design for the Intermountain West

8 Steps from Grass to a Waterwise Garden

Landscape Ideas You Can Use

California Friendly

Water-Wise Vegetables

The Drought-Resilient Farm

Turn a shady yard into a sumptuous garden Shade is one of the most common garden situations homeowner ’ s have, but with the right plant knowledge, you can triumph over challenging areas and learn to embrace shade as an opportunity instead of an obstacle. Glorious Shade celebrates the benefits of shade and shows you how to make the most of it. This information-rich, hardworking guide is packed with everything you need to successfully garden in the shadiest corners of a yard. You'll learn how to determine what type of shade you have and how to choose the right plants for the space. The book also shares the techniques, design and maintenance tips that are key to growing a successful shade garden. Stunning color photographs offer design inspiration and reveal the beauty of shade-loving plants.

Leavened with humor and rueful wisdom, Nold's pithy descriptions zero in on each plant's outstanding ornamental characteristics while giving the reader an accurate idea of what to expect from the plant's performance in the garden." "Although Nold addresses himself primarily to western gardeners, anyone with an interest in hardy, drought-tolerant plants will find in these pages an abundance of tempting possibilities with which to experiment."--BOOK JACKET.

Over the past 20 years, the garden plant Correas, also known as the Australian Native Fuchsia, has been steadily growing in popularity in regions around the world. Ideal for temperate and coastal gardens, Correas are generally small shrubs that fit into any garden or space, can be grown in either full sun or shade, and are compatible with other shrubs. They require a minimum of watering and maintenance, making them an excellent choice for people who want a nice garden, but have little time. This is the first comprehensive guide to the identification and cultivation of Correas in Australia. It describes 10 species, 26 subspecies, and 145 varieties. The book contains detailed descriptions, as well as chapters on cultivation and propagation, and will be a guide to attracting birds to the garden. It will be an excellent reference for gardeners, nurserymen, native plant enthusiasts, and botanists.

A guide to growing beautiful gardens in drought-prone areas utilizing minimal water for maximum results. With climate change, water rationing, and drought on the rise, water conservation is more important than ever—but that doesn ’ t mean your gardening options are limited to cacti and rocks. The Water-Saving Garden provides gardeners and homeowners with a diverse array of techniques and plentiful inspiration for creating sustainable gardens that are so beautiful and inviting, it ’ s hard to believe they are water-thrifty. Including a directory of 100 plants appropriate for a variety of drought-prone regions of the country, this accessible and contemporary xeriscaping guide is full of must-know information on popular gardening topics like native and drought-tolerant plants (including succulents), rainwater harvesting, greywater systems, permeable paving, and more.