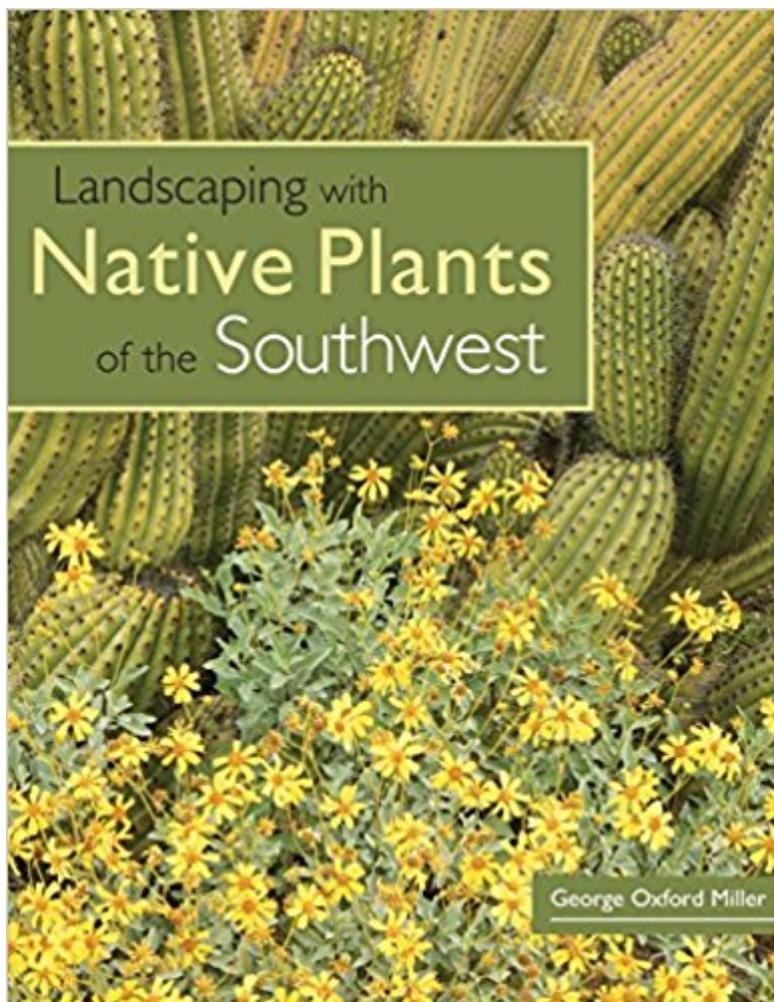


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# Landscaping With Native Plants Of The Southwest



## Synopsis

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.

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Everything a gardener needs to know about native plants for a Southwestern landscape.

Great book!!

This is a great book - very helpful and well organized.

This is a perfect book for the beginner landscaper in the southwest. Although it does not go into great detail about specific plants, it does give a good general description of the plants of the southwest.

I live in the desert, dry and humid but wanted pretty landscaping around my new home....this book helped me out so much...with tips, and great pics plus on the spot zoning.....I recommend to anyone.

If you are moving to or living in the Southwest and want to do your own landscaping at any level this is a very helpful book I might even call it a must have!

No one in this area this is more for Arizona or farther west. I don't have any more words now

As an environmental horticulturist in the Coachella Valley of California, I can strongly recommend this book as a very helpful desert garden guide. The plants and suggestions in the book are very good if one keeps in mind their location, elevation and soil type. I especially like that Miller gives the

minimum water tolerance of individual plant species as most desert guides written in Arizona/New Mexico recommend too little water for sandy soils of the Coachella valley. California is not included as part of the southwest but those of us gardening in southeastern California know that we have much more in common horticulturally with southern Arizona than with the rest of our State. This book is one of only a half dozen good desert garden guides.

**Native Plants for Southwestern Landscapes**

Any residing or gardening in the southwest will find Landscaping with Native Plants of the Southwest an invaluable reference, as will libraries catering to Southwest residents. It covers not just domestic plants but wildflowers, trees, and cacti, offering a compendium of 'top picks' chosen and rated for their best ornamental and growth qualities and including maps and charts as guidelines for planting, maintenance and landscape design. Over 350 native plant species, subspecies and varieties are detailed and as interest in xeriscaping arises, any area interested in low-water planting will find it of interest.

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