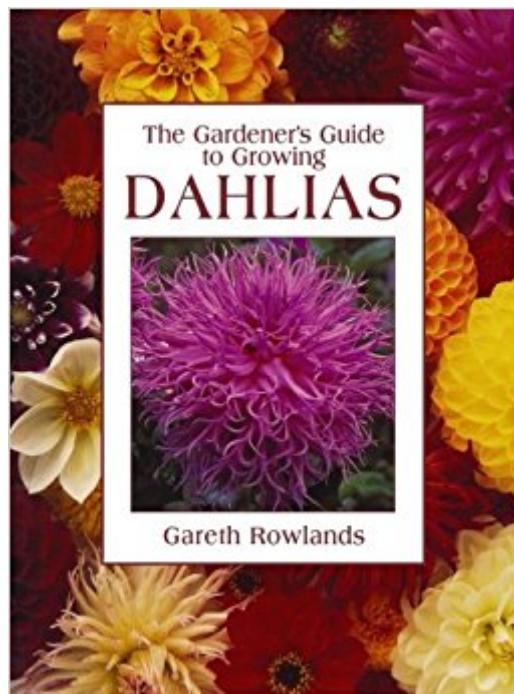


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# Gardener's Guide To Growing Dahlias



## **Synopsis**

With over 20,000 varieties to choose from, expert grower Gareth Rowlands provides indispensable recommendations for the professional and amateur gardener alike. Chapters on botany and types of dahlias are coupled with cultivation advice which will help gardeners optimize the performance of their plants. Information on how to increase your stock through propagation will appeal to ordinary gardeners while chapters on raising plants for exhibiting, and breeding new varieties offer much for the established enthusiast. Illustrated with superbly detailed photographs and informative botanical drawings, *The Gardener's Guide to Growing Dahlias* will delight dahlia lovers, convert those new to the genus and inspire a new generation of growers.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Rowlands, who has been growing and showing dahlias for more than 30 years, begins with a brief history of this beautiful plant, which now boasts more than 20,000 varieties. One chapter describes physical characteristics, and another explains the breakdown of groups within the genus. Rowlands gives detailed instructions on cultivation, which include data on pest and disease control, watering, and storing the tubers. There are chapters on propagation, raising new varieties, and exhibitions at horticultural shows. Rowlands lists more than 400 cultivars, giving their origin when known, along with a brief description of each plant. This comprehensive guide has 70 stunning color photographs and 15 line drawings. George Cohen --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

'A thoroughly good read and a book no self-respecting dahlia grower would want to be without.' -

### The Garden

This book taught me everything I needed to know to battle bugs and fight fungus. I couldn't put them in the ground due to ground squirrels in southern CA that love to eat bulbs. I grow all mine in clay pots and now they're much healthier and beautiful. I'm always taking pictures of them! This is a great book!

This is for European gardeners. Could not find any of these Dahlias available here in US and this book is geared towards people showing their Dahlias not a hobby grower. Also dated.

Got this book for my husband for his birthday. It's full of beautiful photos and he likes that it gives good detailed info on diseases with pictures so you can see what the book is talking about. He is very happy with it and hasn't put it down since he opened it. Perfect for this time of year when we are in 6-12 inches of snow.

Nice catalog of varieties with beautiful color photos. Covers all of the basics including planting, cultivating, cutting, exhibiting, and dealing with the various challenges. A must have for the Dahlia enthusiast.

It was a gift for a friend who doesn't like to read so it needed to have lots of pictures. Birthday boy says he loves it, especially the pictures!

I am brand new to the Dahlia world and bought this book as a primer. I had done some research online and everything I found online was nicely condensed in this book. It teaches you the basics such as planting and care plus teaches you all of the 'codes' for sizes, colors, forms, etc. It really is very helpful to someone who knows little about dahlias. Plus, the pictures are beautiful and nicely identifies the plant form, so you can learn some of the various types.

THIS IS A GREAT BOOK ON DAHLIAS, MY FAVORITE FLOWER. SINCE THERE ARE SO MANY DAHLIA VARIETIES IT IS HARD TO GET THEM ALL IN ONE BOOK BUT THIS BOOK GIVES IT A GOOD SHOT. THE PICTURES ARE BIG AND BEAUTIFUL AND THE CULTIVATION RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SPOT ON. GREAT BOOK IF YOU LOVE THIS FLOWER.

Nice little book with good information about Dahlias.

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