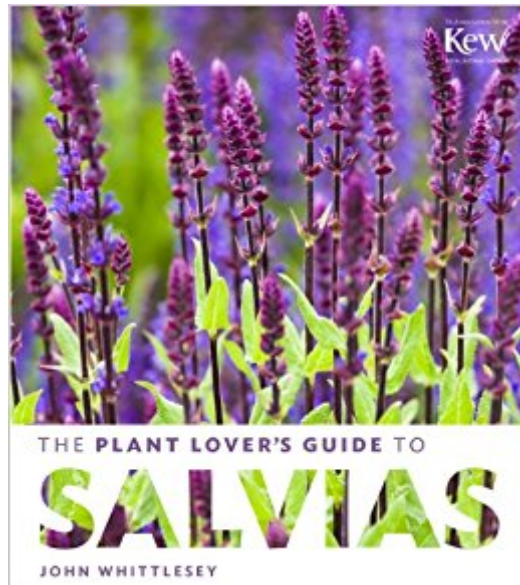




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Synopsis

Salvias are available in a huge range of sizes, colors, foliage, and hardiness, with over 900 species and hundreds of hybrids. Salvia's popularity stems from how easy they are to grow, their multiple medicinal and culinary uses, and the vibrancy of their blooms that cover every color in the spectrum from white to nearly black. The Plant Lover's Guide to Salvias features everything you need to know to grow this vibrant and fragrant plant. Plant profiles of 150 varieties highlight each plant's type, habitat, size, hardiness, origin, cultivation, and use in the landscape. Additional information includes tips on design, how to grow and propagate salvia, where to view them in public gardens, and where to buy them.

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Salvias seduce gardeners with showy flowers and fragrant foliage, and are veritable magnets for throngs of bees, birds, and butterflies. While best known for their brilliant blue and deep purple hues, salvias have an incredible color range that spans from white and yellow to almost black. Many are wonderfully long blooming, drought-tolerant, deer-resistant, and easy to cultivate in most climates. In this inspiring guide, expert nurseryman John Whittlesey reveals his tips and tricks for using these timeless plants in the garden. The Plant Lover’s Guide books offer a rich source of information on both new and classic garden plants. Written by enthusiastic experts, they recommend the best varieties for different situations, inspire ideas for new plant combinations, and are packed with resources for the home gardener. These gorgeous guides celebrate the beauty of each plant and form a comprehensive library that every plant lover will want to own.

This is one of the few books on Salvias currently in print, and is focused on the needs of gardeners rather than being a botanical monograph. It includes photos and descriptions of 150 garden worthy Salvia and some useful ideas of where to plant them for best effect. The photos and the general production of the book is of very high standard, although I did find one photo that had its metadata printed in box on the middle of the image. The book includes only limited information about the botany of the genus, or about its cultural impact, so look elsewhere if that is the information you require, otherwise it is a great addition to any collection of gardening books, just as Salvia’s are a great addition to the garden.

How wonderful to find a new book of salvias. The book is full of photos of the tender salvias as well as the hardy ones. Delightfully put together for the professional and amateur gardener. The author truly knows his subject, full of excellent information on each plant depicted. A book thoroughly

recommended to anybody interested slightly in salvias, they will be blown away with the choice of plants available. It was nice to see all the new and recently tender salvias described. Still hoping to grow the Bolivian sage sometime in the future.

This is a really great book that gives great detail of a lot of different kind of salvias. There are only a handful of books published on Salvia. This is the best, and it's from one of my favorite publishers that only publishes the highest quality books.

Lots of good information in this book. I am growing Salvias as decoration near my hummingbird feeder. Salvias attract bees and the birds.

Having been an Herb Society of America student of the genus since the 80's and have the two other Salvia books published by Timber Press, I was pleasantly surprised that I don't want to pass this one on to like-minded persons for awhile - we only found one mistake so far - it's Salvia 'Costa Rica Blue', not Rican. Excellent photographs and information, so far. Understand the lack of covering S. divinorum - the average public has a tendency to be unwise; appreciate the huge effort & wisdom of publishing this book, thank you very much, pat kenny, herb publicist.

As I am new in the Salvias world, the book gave me a good insight. Nice descriptions of the presented varieties, including which can be used in containers, beds, sun, shade, etc. Nice pictures also. I book I would recomend for sure.

AWESOME BOOK. im just now discovering the salvia and its value. i live in the southern rolling plains of Texas and anyone wanting to have beautiful spires blooming on triple digit days of two months of hot weather will be more than delighted with this book. along with the author's expert gardening advice AND THE BEAUTIFUL PHOTOGRAPHS, i would recommend this book to anyone wanting to grow the reliable as well as the colorful salvia.

Very good information and gorgeous pictures, but I wish it was organized by water requirements rather than alphabetically. It would make it much easier to see what I can realistically grow here in Southern California in more arid conditions. Water is becoming such a problem for those of us living in dry climates.

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