

Wet, Wild, AND Wonderful

The American Horticultural Society Complete Guide to Water Gardening

Whether you are planning a miniature fountain or a wildlife pond, wondering how to revitalize a neglected feature or looking for ways to use water features to extend your planting opportunities, *The American Horticultural Society Complete Guide to Water Gardening* contains all the know-how you need with easy-to-follow, fully illustrated explanations.

Ten different and contrasting designs—complete with blueprints and detailed planting plans—

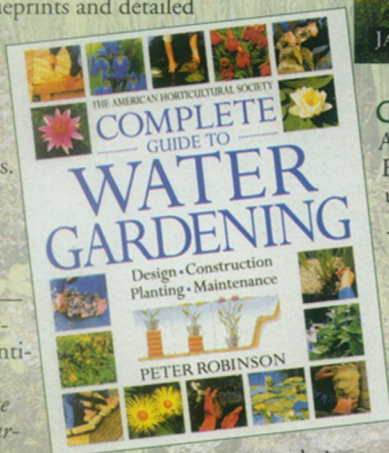
show you how to include creatively planted water features in even the smallest of gardens. The plant "photo album" illustrates more than 150 aquatic and moisture-loving plants—from essential oxygenators to enchanting water lilies.

The AHS Complete Guide to Water Gardening also gives you the advice you need to make sure fish and other wildlife flourish.

Destined to become the standard work on the subject, this is the practical handbook gardeners have been waiting for.

—from Dorling Kindersley

Dorling Kindersley, 1997, 216 pages, 9 1/4" X 11 1/2", hardcover, \$34.95



Gardening with Nature

An American revolution against English-inspired landscapes has been under way for several years, led by James van Sweden and his partner, Wolfgang Oehme, pioneers of the New American Garden style. They are chiefly known for their rich use of plants and their trademark ornamental grasses.

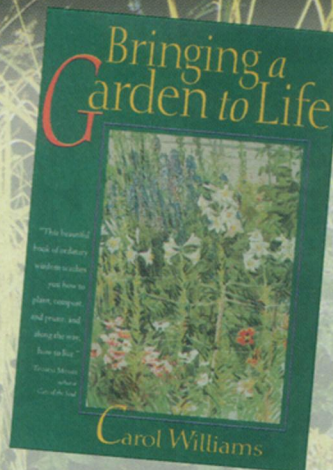
In *Gardening with Nature*, van Sweden shows home gardeners and professionals how to conceive, design, and plant the romantic gardens for which he is renowned.

In Part 1, he describes formative influences and outlines his credo: bold, massed, asymmetrical plant groupings, reverence for site, low maintenance, and attention to all seasons. Part 2 explores design strategies and embarks on a garden tour to show the rationale behind specific plant choices and design decisions. Part 3 gives hundreds of useful step-by-step tips. Part 4 offers an illustrated glossary of plants photographed in garden settings.

Gardening with Nature will teach you everything from how to create a meadow to how to block unwanted views to the best plants for exposed and windy areas.

—from Random House

Random House, 1997, 207 pages, 8 1/2" X 10 1/4", hardcover, \$45.00



Bringing a Garden to Life

In the literature of gardening, there are many how-to books and a nearly equal number of philosophical essays. Here is a book that is both. Carol Williams elucidates with elegant simplicity the basic processes of gardening and the handling of plants. She also eloquently demonstrates how, in bringing a garden to life, the gardener, too, comes to life. Not just the finished garden but gardening itself is revealed as a source of delight and a profound awakening to nature.

From mapping a garden and planting a lettuce seed to feeding old perennial borders and pruning fruit trees, this book tells not just how but why and vividly evokes the interest and pleasure of doing the job. Gardening beginners will be encouraged to take their first steps, while expert gardeners will find new sources of joy in their gardens. The author shares the practical wisdom of her own rich gardening experience and invokes the golden tradition of poets and philosophers throughout history who have turned to their gardens to read the book of nature.

—from Bantam

Bantam, 1998, 273 pages, 5 7/8" X 8 1/2", hardcover, \$22.95

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