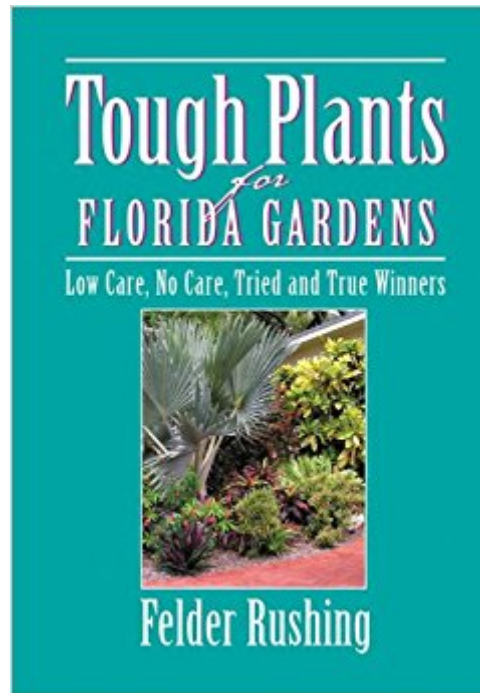




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Tough Plants For Florida Gardens



Synopsis

Tough Plants for Florida Gardens includes over 180 of the toughest plants for Florida gardens, including annuals, perennials, shrubs and small trees, ornamental vines, and grasses. Each featured plant is noted for its ability to thrive with minimal care. Many of the selections can withstand drought, poor soils, and minimal (or no) pruning, while providing beauty and charm in the Florida landscape.

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Customer Reviews

Rushing is a 10th generation Southern gardener. He is a leading Extension Service consumer horticulturist in Mississippi and has two degrees from Mississippi State University and the Louisiana State University Landscape School of the South. He coordinates Master Gardeners in the state's capitol.

Unlike early reviews I read before I bought, I don't think the book is only for beginners in gardening or in gardening in Florida. The information is brief, clear; the choices of plant types are varied. The pictures are great. Rushing covers most groups such as ground covers and shrubs. I like his "make-life-simple" tone in his opening pages.

I borrowed this book from the public library because we were starting a garden. After exploring it, I renewed it for another 2 weeks. Even then I wasn't finished learning all about "Tough Plants for

Florida Gardens" by Felder Rushing. The author's quirky humor and enjoyable writing style, not to mention his vast knowledge imparted to the reader makes this book a must-read and must-have for any half-interested gardener, Floridian, or "just plain I enjoy reading person". Get this book, you'll love it. Thank you, Felder, I feel like you are the brilliant, slightly odd member of our family that everyone loves to listen to. Keep writing!

Most Florida gardening books give recommendations for sunny, frost free gardening. I live in central Florida, where it is hot, dry except in the summer (very) rainy season, and can get down in the low twenties some nights in the winter. Very difficult to select plants that can survive all of these conditions. This book directs you right to the exact plants that have a chance to survive, and I am anxious to get started planting.

I got this book, because I have gotten another title by this author and I like the way he writes. He takes a sometimes difficult subject, hard to understand and makes it fun, easy to understand and enjoyable. Simple! He makes it simple and I like that. Why does everything have to be so complicated in this world?! I also liked how the book was delivered timely and well packaged. I appreciate the good job the seller did.

The author has a funny way of explaining everyone's gardening in Florida he does say you won't find a lot of horticultural instruction in this book, it's covered thoroughly in nearly every other florida garden book, so he says dig a hole and plant them green side up, that's at the beginning of this book so i knew it would been a fun read and talk about what plants work. i enjoyed the photo of him in his garden with his toy size train at his feet and with no less the tracks too, so it talks about plants and the whimsy things we put in our gardens, the plant info is more thorough in other books pamela crawford is one but it's worth the price for a really refreshing view on the florida garden. good job!

Rushing's writing is intelligent, insightful, and informative. Content is arranged clearly, and the inclusion of "extra" suggestions at the end of each section give the gardener more ideas to explore. It's abundantly evident that Rushing takes great delight in what he does, and the inclusion of bits of whimsy and tongue-in-cheek humor make a valuable resource even more appealing.

The book was a used book, but I wouldn't have known that by the looks of the book. It is in great shape. i looked for that title and author as it will help me in my sandy and shady backyard. But I love

the pictures and it is written to I can understand it. The plants are very easy to find in the index and aren't under a lot of different names. Debbie D--Sebastian, FL.

Wonderful book for Florida plant lovers. It was recommended to me by a landscaper who knows all the best books on plants and gardens for those of us who live here in the heat, and cold, of NE Florida. She was sure right about this one. It's a winner!

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