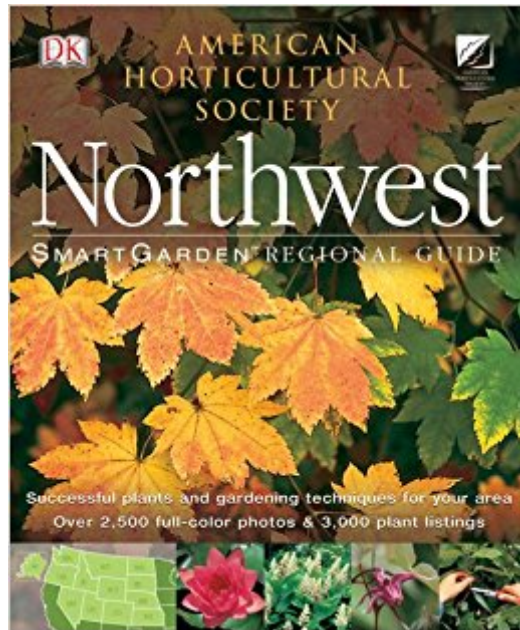




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Customer Reviews

Gave this as a present. My sister in-law loves it.....

Perfect gift for the Master Gardener who is gathering books for their gardening library.

We are new to the area and were looking for some help with what we could plant and how to take care of our plants during the upcoming seasons. Wonderful book, just what I was looking for.

This is a beautiful garden book! The pictures are usually of the plant rather than just one bloom as you often see. I have found the layout very useful, even though each plant may be listed more than

once. I like that it is broken down by category, which means that some plants are listed more than once (Blue Wave Lacecap Hydrangea is in "Shrubs for Shade", "Shrubs for acidic soils", "Large Shrubs", "Shrubs with blue, purple flowers" & "Shrubs for use as specimens"). I usually am looking for a plant for a specific place in my yard and with this listing I can see what is suggested for the conditions in that spot. It is a beautiful reference tool and I am planning on purchasing another copy to give as a Christmas gift.

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