



# Flower Gardening

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This pathfinder will be useful in finding information about planting, growing and enjoying flowers.

For an introduction to the topic, see:

- Garden Web  
[www.gardenweb.com](http://www.gardenweb.com)

## Key Resources at a Glance:

- *Annuals for Every Purpose: Choose the Right Plants for Your Conditions, Your Garden, and Your Taste* by Larry Hodgson (2003) Two page profile on each flower with pictures.
- *Perennials* by Linden Hawthorne (2000) A photographic guide to more than 1,000 plants.
- Ohio State University WebGarden [webgarden.osu.edu/](http://webgarden.osu.edu/) Includes features useful to all gardeners, including PlantFacts, Plant Dictionary, and how-to videos.

## Reference Background

- *American Horticultural Society A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants* (1996)

## Resources

### Books

- *The Best Flowers for Midwest Gardens*, by Laara K. Duggan (1996)
- *The Complete Garden Guide: A Comprehensive Reference for All Your Garden Needs* (1999)
- *Continuous Bloom*, by Pam Duthie (2000)
- *The Midwest Gardener's Book of Lists* by Susan McClure (1998)
- *Old-Time Gardening Wisdom* by Jerry Baker (1999)
- *The Well-Tended Perennial Garden* by Tracy DiSabato-Aust (1998)

## Search Aids

### Search Terms

(Use for computer searches)

- Annuals
- Bulbs
- Container gardening
- Deadhead
- Garden crafts
- Houseplants
- Insects
- Landscape
- Midwest gardening
- Perennials
- Pest Control
- Plant Diagnostics
- Plant Diseases
- Seed Catalogs

### Subject Headings

(Use in card catalogs and print indexes)

- Flowers
- Gardening
- Flower Gardening

### Call Number

- 635 (Dewey Decimal)
- SB403-450 (Library of Congress)

### Indexes and Abstracts

- EBSCOhost
- First Search
- Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature

### Library catalogs

- Your local library catalog
- SILO - State-wide catalog
- World Cat - World-wide Catalog

## Journals

- *Backyard Living*
- *Birds and Blooms*
- *Organic Gardening*

## Magazine Articles

- *Fine Gardening*  
[www.taunton.com/fg/](http://www.taunton.com/fg/)

## Web Pages and Web Portals

- Cyndi's Catalog of Garden Catalogs  
[www.gardenlist.com/](http://www.gardenlist.com/)
- The Garden Gate  
[garden-gate.prairienet.org/](http://garden-gate.prairienet.org/)
- Garden Guides  
[www.gardenguides.com/](http://www.gardenguides.com/)
- HGIC's Plant Diagnostic Web Site  
[plantdiagnostics.umd.edu/](http://plantdiagnostics.umd.edu/)
- ISU Extension to Agriculture and Natural Resources  
[www.extension.iastate.edu/ag/lawngard.html](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/ag/lawngard.html)
- Plants Database  
[plants.usda.gov/](http://plants.usda.gov/)
- Seed Savers Exchange  
[www.seedsavers.org/](http://www.seedsavers.org/)
- University of Illinois Extension Hort Corner  
[www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/hort/index.html](http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/hort/index.html)
- Home and Garden Information Center  
[www.hgic.umd.edu/](http://www.hgic.umd.edu/)

## Organizations and Special Collections

- American Horticultural Association  
[www.ahs.org](http://www.ahs.org)
- Iowa Master Gardener Program  
[www.mastergardener.iastate.edu/](http://www.mastergardener.iastate.edu/)
- National Gardening Association  
[www.garden.org](http://www.garden.org)

\*\* You can evaluate other resources using criteria at: [www.THEpathfinderproject.org/evaluate.html](http://www.THEpathfinderproject.org/evaluate.html) \*\*

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