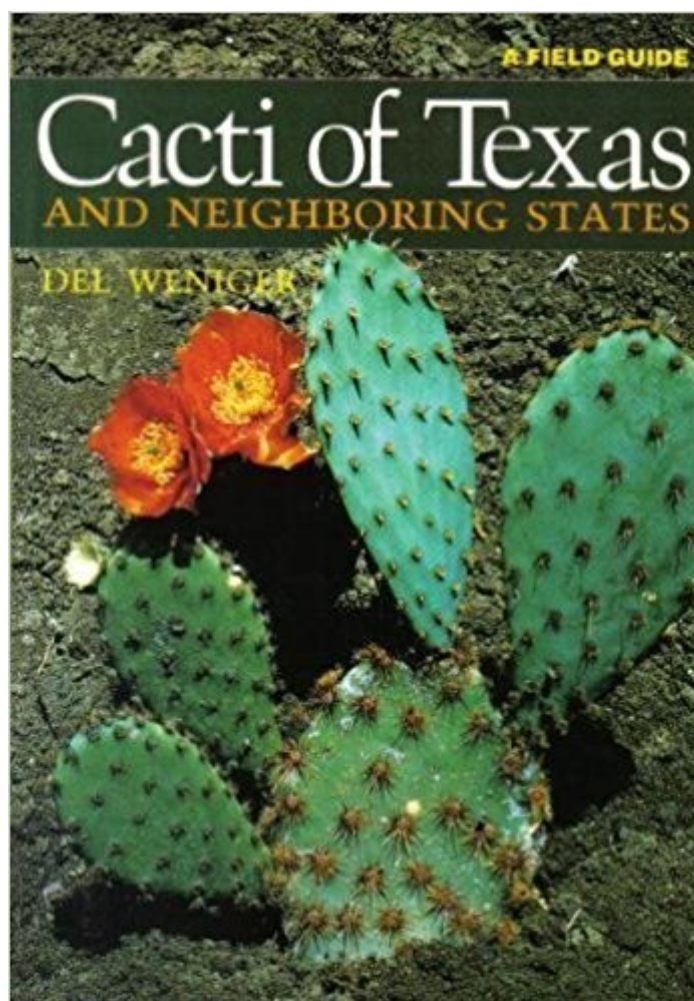


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This book is a comprehensive guide to the cacti of Texas. It is somewhat out of date, for example, the cholla cacti are in the genus *Opuntia* instead of *Cylindropuntia*. I knew that this would be the case when I bought it however since classification of cacti seems to be an oft changing enterprise. Now that I am familiar with how the book works, I find it very helpful in identifying a cactus. The pictures are very good. Every picture shows what the cactus looks like when blooming. Even though this book is 25 years old, I recommend it if you are a novice like me. You can currently get a used copy for a very good price.

Guide is good and covers everything I've come across. One frustrating thing about cacti is that different books have different names (common and scientific) for the same cactus. I don't know which - if any - would be considered the "correct" one, but this book seems to include many of the slang names by which a lot of cacti are known. Bought this book primarily to help ID some of the cacti we run across in west Texas.

I am always looking for helpful information on growing and identifying cactus plants which are my hobby. Highly useful.

This is one of my better books on cacti, and my book is very well used for more than 15 years. This is a very impressive and important book on the cacti of Texas. Texas, and especially The Big Bend

area reaches far south into surrounding Mexico, populated by cacti that have a mainly Mexican occurrence. There are also several endemics like *Escobaria minima* and *Echinocereus davisii*. The book works very well as a field guide, and also as a rich source of knowledge for the hobbyist, or the professional botanist. It is a very useable identification tool, and gives a clear view of each species geographical distribution. It should be more readily available!

This book is one of the best I've actually read so far that is recommended for the novice. It contains an index and glossary, as well as illustrations that explain the various parts of the plant, and gives simple, precise descriptions of each form of cacti and where it can be found. It also has excellent photographs of the entire plant in close-up that aid in visual identification. It has been a tremendous help in identifying cacti that once were nameless to me. If you can obtain a copy, it's well worth it.

Del Weniger has given us an excellent compilation in this volume. Fortunately, copies are still available of the out-of-print title. I highly recommend the book for beginners & experts alike. Excellent photography. Insightful text. Good organization.

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