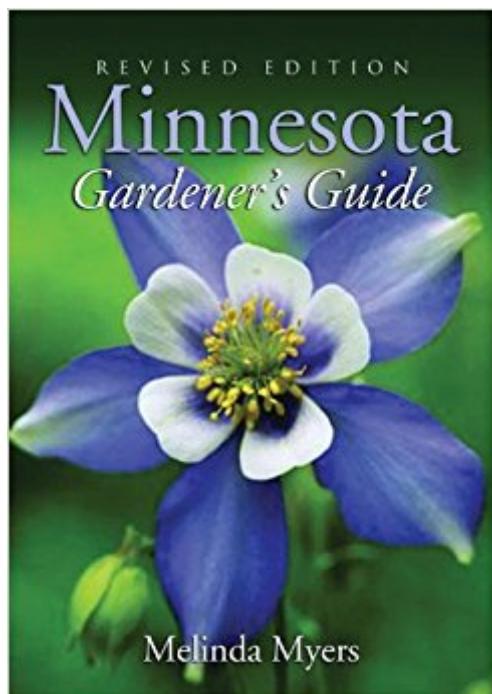


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# Minnesota Gardener's Guide (Gardener's Guides)



## **Synopsis**

Gardening is now the favorite leisure pastime in America. Homeowners are realizing the health benefits derived from gardening and the increase in their home's property value. This book contains easy-to-use advice on the top landscape plant choices. It also recommends specific varieties, and provides advice on how to plant, how to grow and how to care for the best plants.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Nationally known gardening expert, TV and radio host, author, and columnist Melinda Myers has more than thirty years of horticulture experience. She has written over twenty gardening books, including Can't Miss Small Space Gardening, The Garden Book for Wisconsin, Minnesota Gardener's Guide, Month-by-Month Gardening in Wisconsin, the Perfect Lawn Midwest series, as well as the Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Michigan Getting Started Garden Guide. In addition to authoring books, Myers hosts the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment segments that air on over 115 TV and radio stations throughout the United States. She is also the instructor for The Great Course How to Grow DVD series. She also has a column in Gardening How-to magazine and Wisconsin Gardening magazine. Melinda hosted The Plant Doctor radio program for over twenty years as well as seven seasons of Great Lakes Gardener on PBS. She has written articles for Better Homes and Gardens and Fine Gardening magazines and was a columnist and contributing editor for Backyard Living magazine. Melinda has a master's degree in horticulture, is a certified arborist, and was a horticulture instructor with tenure. Melinda Myers' many

accomplishments include starting the Master Gardener program in Milwaukee County, two Garden Media Awards (a Garden Globe Award for radio talent and a Quill and Trowel Award for her television work), both from the Garden Writers Association, the American Horticultural Society's B.Y. Morrison Communication Award for effective and inspirational communication, and she was the first woman inducted into the Wisconsin Green Industry Federation Hall of Fame. Visit with Melinda on her website, [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com).

I love this book. It contains brief general information about soil preparation, planting, etc., then lists plants under various categories such as annuals, perennials, ornamental grasses, ground covers, shrubs, etc. Each plant discussed is listed under the appropriate category, one page per plant, with a color picture and information about planting time, soil and water preferences, hardiness zones, mature size and suggestions for using it in your landscape. All plants included can be grown in the Minnesota climate although some are not hardy in northern areas. This is a very good reference if you are planning your landscape, but also gives information about the care of many of the plants in the established landscape. The only drawback is that it does not include many less commonly used plants, but then the size of the book would be cumbersome.

Lots of information on this book. Very pleased.

I really enjoyed reading the details about the plants that grow here in Minnesota. I'm excited to plan my garden!

I've been very happy with this book so far. The writer gives step by step advice for all types of plants during all the different months and seasons of Minnesota. It also has step by step advice for the best way to care for the different types of soil found in Minnesota, during the different months and seasons of Minnesota.

Love it. Love it. It helps me quickly understand Minneapolis plants. I used this book for my garden all the time.

Nice summary on regional plants for the not-so-green-thumbed gardeners. Very helpful, with photos to identify what is growing, and what to expect for the growing season.

This book is so easy to use! I am a beginning, but avid gardener, and I use it to identify plants I see, and search for new plants to buy.

As a beginning gardener, this book was invaluable to me in identifying the common plants in my neighborhood. The pictures are very good for getting a real sense of what each plant is like. Also, the number of plants included is manageable - not too many so as to be completely overwhelming for the beginning or casual gardener, not too few as to be limiting. I also like the easy picture keys for each plant (native, sun/shade, drought, etc) - you can quickly scan through for plants that'll work for your situation.

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