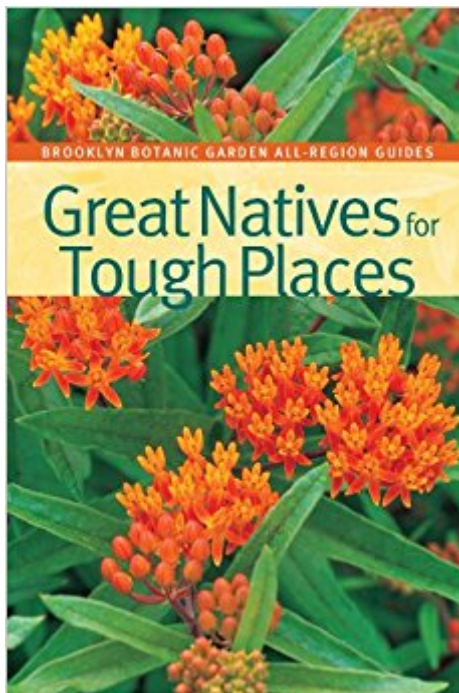




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Great Natives For Tough Places (Brooklyn Botanic Garden All-Region Guide)



Synopsis

From the world-famous Brooklyn Botanic Gardens comes a unique, all-region handbook that introduces gardeners to the many beautiful native plants that thrive in tough growing conditions with little or no maintenance. It profiles spectacular trees, shrubs, grasses, wildflowers, vines, and bulbs that naturally cope with disturbed and depleted soils, extremes of sun and shade, regular buffeting by strong winds, and other challenging environments. In addition, unlike many tough species, these don't have invasive tendencies but support sustainable ecosystems. Written by the finest experts on the subject, this practical guide provides a bounty of information on everything from site-appropriate designs to propagation and care.

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Customer Reviews

When I moved South, I came ill prepared for the differences in gardening discipline that would be required to successfully keep up the appearance of my property. Who knew that plants grew outside all year? I was accustomed to my lawn and flower beds being covered in snow at least three months of the year, to short, mild summers, and fiery autumns. My first year garden was not so successful: too hot for tomatoes by June, annuals being toasted in full sun, and some shrubs wilting in the summer heat and humidity. Forget lilacs!!! So, after burning through my first garden budget and having very little to show for it, I looked for help. Great Natives for Tough Places was an important find -- my money is no longer dying before my eyes, nor are my garden plants.

This book has some great photos of plants in and out of bloom and offers some great choices for gardens and for people interested in learning about native plants and what will work in their area.

Carla

A useful and easy to read guide for native plants for tough garden situations in the Northeast, divided into sections for trees, shrubs, vines, perennials, etc. It may be a bit optimistic about how tough some of these natives are -- for example, it rates *Itea virginica* as drought-tolerant, which has not been my experience. But then gardening is more art than science..

I like plants that take care of themselves. However, some of these plants can become invasive in some areas. It is still good to identify plants that are very easy care.

Very interesting and understandable. Great information about the plants and examples of mixed plantings. I will be using this book as I work on my new home (dry, sandy soil) to place as many natives as I can!

well written and useful guide. Explains why native plants are so important to sustaining pollinators.

Good book even though it pertains to a part of the United States which is far away from where I live.

Good book for one who wants to plant natives.

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