



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:

- USDA's Home Gardening Page
http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/!ut/p/s.7_0_A/7_0_1OB?navid=GARDENING&parentnav=CONSUMER_CITIZEN&navtype=RT

Key Resources at a Glance:

- [*Step-by-Step Ultimate Yard & Garden*](#), 2008 (635.9 STE)
Includes descriptions of specific flowers and many types of gardens accompanied by spectacular color photographs.
- My First Garden
<http://urbanext.illinois.edu/firstgarden> Geared for children, this website will provide a wonderful beginner's guide to gardening for adults also.

Reference Background

- [*Plant Finder: the Right Plants for Every Garden*](#), 2007 (635.9 PLA)

Resources

Books

- [*Bulbs in the Basement*](#), by Alice McGowan, 2008 (635.932 McG)
- [*Clematis for Small Spaces*](#), by Raymond Evison, 2007 (635.93334 EVI)
- [*Coleus: Rainbow Foliage for Containers and Gardens*](#), by Ray Rogers, 2008 (635.93396 ROG)
- [*Covering Ground*](#), by Barbara Ellis, 2007 (635.964 ELL)
- [*Garden Design*](#), by Chris Young, 2009 (712.6 GAR)
- [*Making the Most of Annuals in the Garden*](#), Richard Bird, 2007 (635.931 BIR)
- [*Perennials: the Gardener's Reference*](#), by Susan Carter, 2007 (635.932 CAR)

Search Aids

Search Terms

(Use for computer searches)

- Annuals
- Bulbs
- Container gardening
- 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)

Indexes and Abstracts

- EBSCOhost
<http://search.ebscohost.com>
- First Search
<http://firstsearch.oclc.org>

Library catalogs

- Urbandale Library Catalog
<http://www.urbandalelibrary.org>
- SILO - State-wide catalog
<http://z3950.silo.lib.ia.us/cgi-bin/zform.CGI?SILO>
- World Cat - world-wide Catalog
<http://worldcat.org>

- [*Secrets of Disney's Glorious Gardens*](#), by Kevin Markey, 2006 (712.5 MAR)

Journals

- [Birds & Blooms](#)
- [Iowa Gardening](#)
- [Organic Gardening](#)

Magazine Articles

- Better Homes and Gardens <http://www.bhg.com/bhg/gardening/index.jhtml>

Web Pages and Web Portals

- Cyndi's Catalog of Garden Catalogs <http://www.gardenlist.com>
- The Garden Gate <http://garden-gate.prairienet.org/>
- Garden Guides <http://www.gardenguides.com/>
- ISU Extension to Agriculture and Natural Resources <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/ag/lawngard.html>
- Plants Database <http://plants.usda.gov/>
- Seed Savers Exchange <http://www.seedsavers.org>

Organizations and Special Collections

- American Horticultural Association <http://www.ahs.org>
- Iowa Master Gardener Program <http://www.mastergardener.iastate.edu/>
- National Garden Bureau <http://ngb.org>
- National Gardening Association <http://www.garden.org>

** You can evaluate other resources using criteria at:
<http://www.THEpathfinderproject.org/evaluate.html> **

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