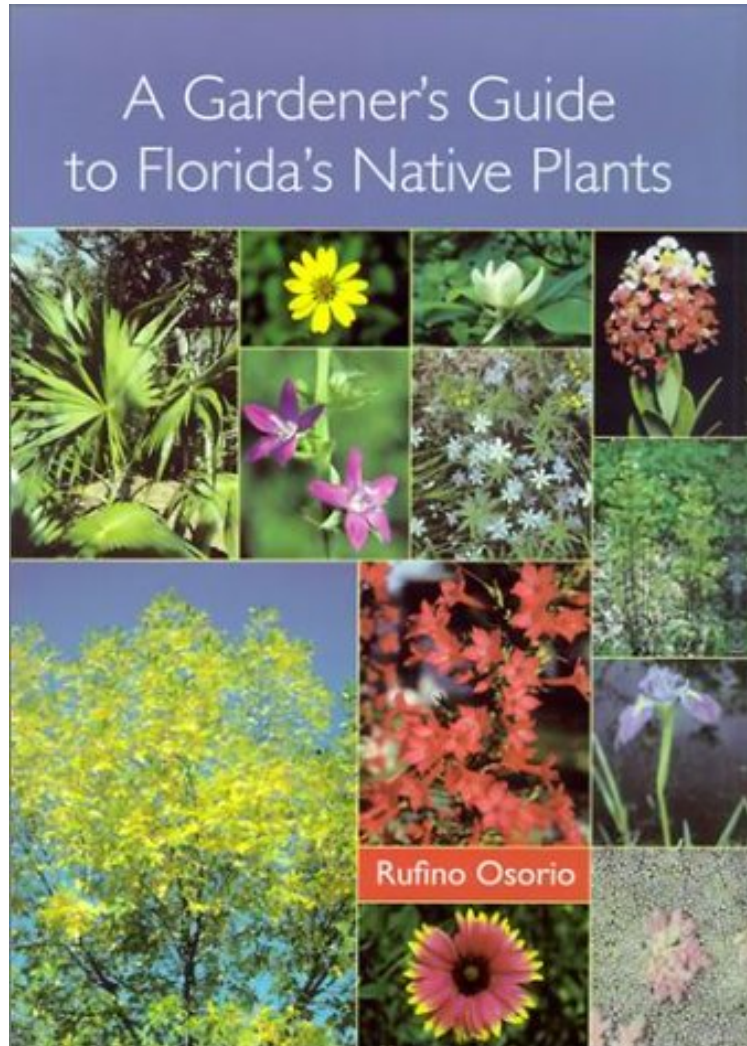


A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants

Rufino Osorio

**Download PDF / ePub / DOC / audiobook / ebooks*



DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#305020 in Books University Press of Florida 2001-05-12Ingredients: Example IngredientsOriginal language:EnglishPDF # 1 .98 x 7.08 x 10.00l, 2.09 #File Name: 0813018528304 pages | File size: 58.Mb

Rufino Osorio : A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great book for gardenersBy patriciaWho are interested in having native plants in their Florida landscape. I noticed this book at my local native plant nursery in Parrish, FL as this was the one of the books that they were using as a reference.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Excellent bookBy CustomerGreat book on Florida native plants, geared towards gardening rather than plant identification in the field.55 of 55 people found the following review helpful. An Essential, Exhaustive, Clear ReferenceBy Robert J. AppleyardI haven't left this book alone for a day since I bought it. The book provides, in a catalog format, all of the

essential information one might need to evaluate the suitability of a very wide variety of native wildflowers, shrubs and trees. The organization of the book is helpful in that it categorizes the plants as long-lived wildflowers, short-lived wildflowers, shrubs, trees, palms, et cetera. Each individual plant is represented by a good photo and a consistent presentation of essential data: culture, propagation, zone, soil requirements, et cetera, so you can easily and quickly access needed information. A drawback for Central or North Florida readers: the book seems to be heavily weighted toward southern Florida natives. A suggestion: a clear identification of the habitat within which each plant is likely to be found would be helpful, especially to those interested in habitat restoration, as I am.

Abundantly illustrated in full color, this guide provides detailed descriptions and methods of cultivation for 350 of Florida's most attractive and easily grown native plants, including ferns, wildflowers, shrubs, trees, vines, aquatics, and epiphytes (air plants). Written for both the beginner and the experienced gardener, it includes basic garden concepts as they apply to native plants - selection, site preparation, pruning, propagation, weeding, and pest control. Osorio also demonstrates how native plants enhance any landscape or home garden layout and provides 14 photos of horticultural and landscape techniques using native plants. The 359 exceptional color photographs, all taken by the author, present some of the most arresting images of Florida native plants ever to appear in print. A visual delight, the book reveals the beauty and horticultural potential of native plants to the general gardening public. Osorio offers a detailed discussion of where to view these plants in the wild and in cultivation, as well as a chapter on Florida native plants on the Internet. As a guide for the responsible gardener and as an attractive introductory identification manual for naturalists, hikers, campers, teachers, and bird watchers, *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* is the authoritative sourcebook on native plants of the Sunshine State.

"This wide-ranging guide offers plant lovers and gardeners alike an excellent resource for cultivating Florida's native plants. It will prove a worthwhile addition to every gardener's library." - Gil Martin, director, Florida Native Plant Society; "A valuable resource for those interested in growing native plants and also for those simply wishing to increase the diversity of plants in their gardens.... A wealth of information gleaned from the author's personal experience in growing native plants." - Richard Wunderlin, author of *Guide to the Vascular Plants of Florida and Flora of Florida, Volume 1*"