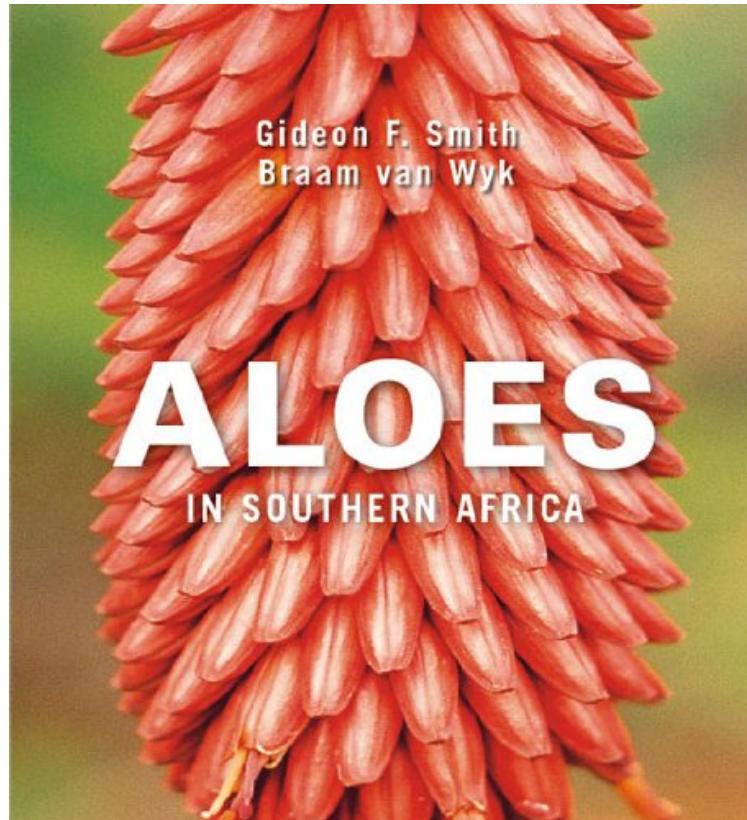


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Gideon Smith : Aloes in Southern Africa before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Aloes in Southern Africa:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Good Book for Aloe Lovers!By Desert Dogs2A good general book on aloes and other members of the aloe family. The photos are great and many interesting aloes are described and briefly discussed. This isn't a "deep study" of the aloe family, but it is good enough for most folks. I especially liked that they were arranged by habitat, which is a good indication of the conditions they need to grow. I'd recommend it to anyone who enjoys aloes, for the pictures if nothing else. This is another Smith and van Wyk book.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Good book to have about aloesBy Matthijs C. Van SoestI think this book hits the mark quite well with regards to giving a good overview of the aloes of southern Africa, the specific species in their habitat, and a short, but good, general cultivation guide. Now is this the book to buy to use as a resource in identifying the different aloes? No, but it does not set out to be that (regretfully the books that do are expensive and hard to come by). The other reviewer complains about the color palette of the pictures, I did not have the same problem, yes there is a lot of red in the pictures, but the landscape of southern Africa just has a lot of red in it, as the soil is mostly red. Regardless in my copy the color difference between the different aloe flowers (also mostly shades of red) was evident, although some times subtle. For the price this is a good book to have as it is full of good information with regards to growing your own aloes indoors or outdoors.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four StarsBy CHRISTOPHER L.

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Aloes are stately succulent plants that capture the allure of the African savanna. *Aloes in Southern Africa* explores the character and biology of African aloes, their habits, characteristic features and distribution in nature. It details 58 aloe and related species, cultivation and propagation, gardening styles and plants that flourish in different regions, plus medicinal, cosmetic and culinary uses. Whether you are starting a garden, redeveloping one or simply looking to expand your knowledge of these fascinating succulents, *Aloes in Southern Africa* will prove an invaluable guide.

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