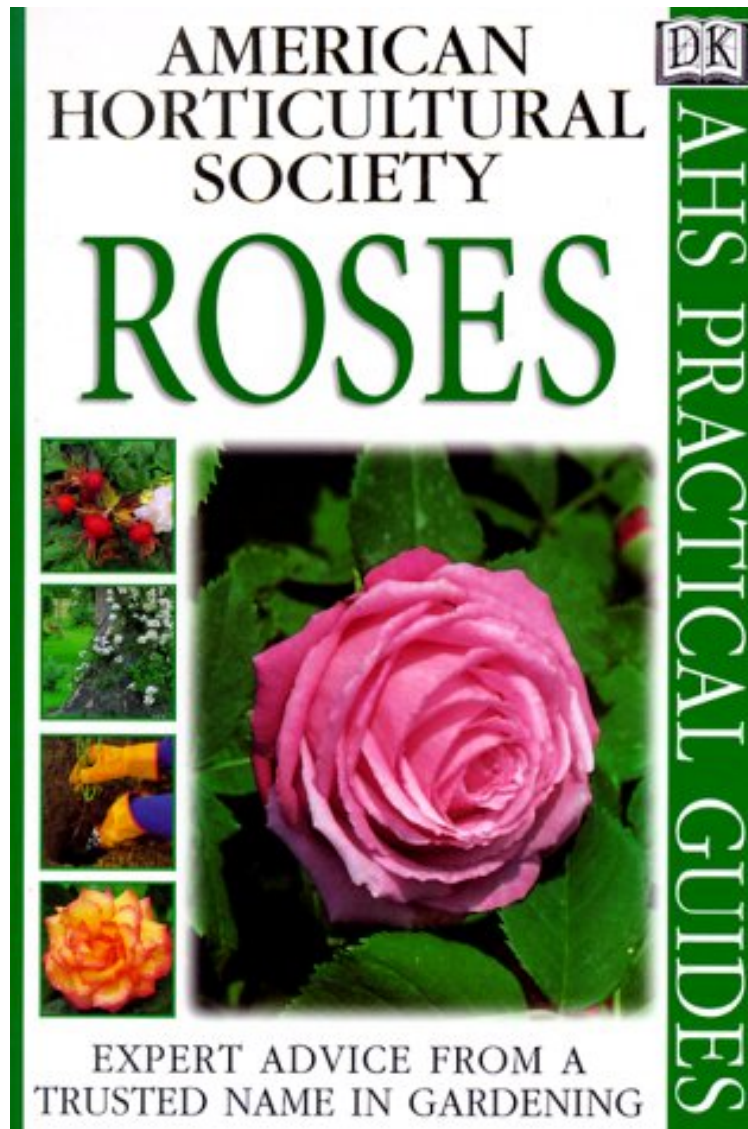


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.com Full of solid, practical advice and plenty of how-to pictures, *Roses* is an ideal title for those wanting all their questions answered about these lovely, surprisingly versatile flowers. Focusing on possible combinations with different varieties, training possibilities, containers, and growing conditions, you may be tempted to turn your lawn into an award-winning rose garden. With so much detail on one particular type of plant, you'll find plenty of direction for growing healthy blooms, no matter what your specific needs may be. Designed to be a complete do-it-yourself guide, don't let the small format of this book fool you--it's absolutely jam-packed with ideas for all styles of gardens, and as always, publisher Dorling Kindersley manages to take fairly complicated projects and reduce them to a manageable size that even the gardening novice can handle. Practical considerations are dealt with firmly--choosing healthy plants is an essential beginning, and without intelligent pruning, your roses will never achieve perfection. The listings by size, bloom shape, color, and optimal conditions are very specific, and new gardeners will find all kinds of useful tips. Inspirational ideas are plentiful--the garden photographs are lush and detailed and provide all kind of unusual notions for creating a truly unique gardening space. Whether you're looking to design a simple bloom-filled trellis or a garden filled with fragrant hybrid teas, you'll find options for all your projects involving these lovely and versatile plants. --Jill Lightner
From Library Journal These two volumes pack a great deal of information into a small space, with the distinctive design and high-quality illustrations that are DK's hallmark. *Perennials* is a small, attractive reference guide "to selecting and identifying perennials." The plants are grouped first by size, then by season of interest, and then by color. Major garden plants like peonies and chrysanthemums are grouped together in boxed spreads. There are brief descriptions of the plants, their preferred habitat, and their cultivation, with U.S. Department of Agriculture hardiness zone information. Despite this effort to accommodate American gardeners, many of the named varieties listed seem to be of British origin and are not common in the American trade. However, this book would make a nice supplement to a more authoritative work like Ellen Phillips and C. Colston Burrell's *Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Perennials* (LJ 12/95). *Roses* describes over 300 varieties, arranged by type (Modern Bush, Old Garden and Species, Miniature, etc.) and then color. Following is a brief guide to rose care. Although it describes more varieties than Judith McKeon's *Encyclopedia of Roses* (LJ 9/1/95), the latter provides more information on each variety and is far stronger on rose garden design, care, and disease control. Recommended as a supplement to more comprehensive works. ?Molly Newling, Piscataway P.L., N.J. Copyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc. Britain's number one favourite flower, the rose is one of the oldest plants known to man. Referred to in ancient texts its beauty and scent has never lost its appeal. In this RHS Practical guide every type of rose is looked at: hybrid teas, shrub roses, climbers, ramblers and the more specialised growing methods for standards and swags. Clearly illustrated with lavish photographs it is the perfect introduction to this vast genus. The tricky problem of pruning, a subject that can cause many horticultural arguments, is concisely covered, eliminating the many misconceptions that have arisen over the years. Concluding with a "gallery of roses", this small book manages to convey every pertinent fact necessary for the cultivation of this endearing and enduring flower. - Lucy Watson