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The Prairie Short Season Yard: Quick And Beautiful On The Canadian Prairies



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Synopsis

Creating and maintaining the perfect yard on the prairies isn't as hard as you might think, but the short growing season doesn't give you much time to transform your winter-weary yard into a glorious garden. To help homeowners in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba get the jump on the short season, popular gardening expert Lyndon Penner has created the essential guide to a quick and beautiful yard in the prairie provinces. With gardening smarts, style and wit, Lyndon covers everything both novice and expert gardeners need to know, along with tips you won't find anywhere else. Contains more than 200 beautiful, colour photos. Quickly find what you need to know about climate zones, soil, colour, texture and shade. Understand your yard's potential. Pick the best bulbs, perennials, trees and shrubs for your yard. Deal with insects and plant diseases in environmentally friendly ways. Shop smarter at garden centres. Attract animals you want to your garden, and keep away the ones you don't.

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Customer Reviews

Lyndon Penner is one of the most interesting gardening speakers I have heard so when his book for the prairies came out I couldn't wait to read it! It is even better than I had expected. For example, do you sometimes wonder why a plant is labelled for zone 5 or up but you know that it grows perfectly well in zone 3? Lyndon Penner's sense of humor comes out loud and clear too so I hope it may be turned into an audio book in the future. The information is practical and wide-ranging and the style is so interesting that it may attract readers from outside the target audience too. There are two books. One is for the prairies and the second, I gather, is for areas where there are chinook winds. (Strong winds on the east side of the Rockies that can raise winter temperatures by 30 or 40 degrees in a matter of hours. The strongest recorded chinook winds were in Loma, MT where the temperature rose from -54 to +58 in 1972.) The books have a Canadian focus but will be popular in the northern American midwest as well. I'll be sending this book to many of my gardening friends.

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