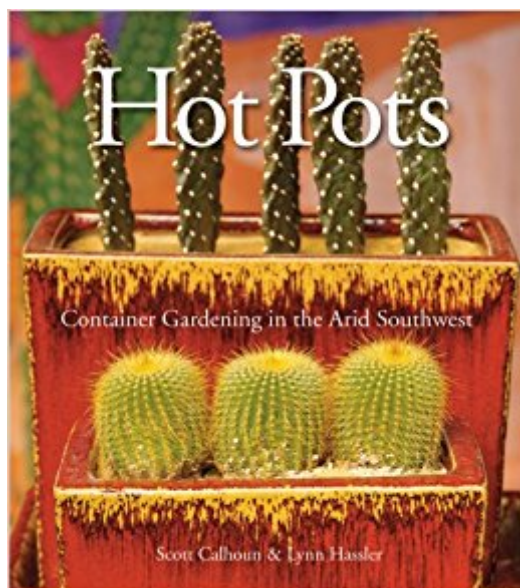


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Hot Pots: Container Gardening In The Arid Southwest



Synopsis

Calhoun and Hassler provide a unique approach to container gardening by creating a guide that is specific to the Southwest region. They offer detailed information about creating a decorative yard, patio, or balcony in arid climates and discuss the variety of plant options available.

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Customer Reviews

Scott Calhoun is the author of *The Hot Garden, Yard Full of Sun* (which was a 2006 American Horticultural Society Book of the Year), and *Chasing Wildflowers*, which was a winner of the Garden Writers Association 2008 Silver Award of Achievement. A full time freelancer maintaining a rigorous schedule, Calhoun works as a writer, teacher, and garden designer. His company, Zona Gardens, is located in Tucson, Arizona. Lynn Hassler is the author of several nature books, including *Birds of the American Southwest*, *Hummingbirds of the American West*, *Gambel's Quail*, and *Roadrunners*. She worked for the Tucson Botanical Gardens for 14 years covering a variety of job responsibilities, including Nursery Manager, Director of Education, and Director of Horticulture. She lives in Tucson, Arizona.

I just recently moved to the desert and was desperate to learn how to have a beautiful "yard" out here. I had checked out every single book on desert gardening and xeriscaping in our library. When I came across Mr. Calhoun's book "The Hot Garden", I immediately fell in love with it. It gave me hope that I didn't have to look at rocks for the rest of my life. So when I found out that he wrote another book, I ordered it from right away. I was not disappointed! Great, easy to follow ideas for

the average person. Ideas for every size yard/patio and every budget. LOVE IT! Beautiful photos and to-the-point information. Not as long-winded as some gardening books can be! You can just open the book at any page and start reading, and be inspired. By now, I *have* read it cover to cover, but you can start at any point and enjoy it. Another great book I'd like to recommend is "Succulent Container Gardens". Between these three books, you will find all the info you need to still enjoy a beautiful landscape in a hot and hostile climate.

Love all Scott Calhoun's books on gardening, especially in the desert!

Truly a wonderful companion to my desert plant books. Calhoun has a sense of humor (see the piece about pack rats), as well a finely tuned sensibility about plants (requirements, best placement, best companion plants, colors, etc.).

Great book for Hot desert growing in containers

Book is well written and the subject matter is easy to understand. Suggestions for container gardening are not way out there and provides a novice gardener with many ideas.

I've enjoyed going through this book several times. Each time I get a new idea or insight about container gardening in the desert. In a hot dry climate container bound plants need special care and placement and advice in this book helps. Plus it makes one aware of how beautiful or striking pots can accent your landscape.

Not only is the info in the book immensely useful but the pictures give you so many great display ideas. Mr Calhoun is the answer to a frustrated desert dwellers need to successfully garden.

pages were falling out, so definition was not descriptive of the condition of the book...it was an ex-library book....disappointing for me

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