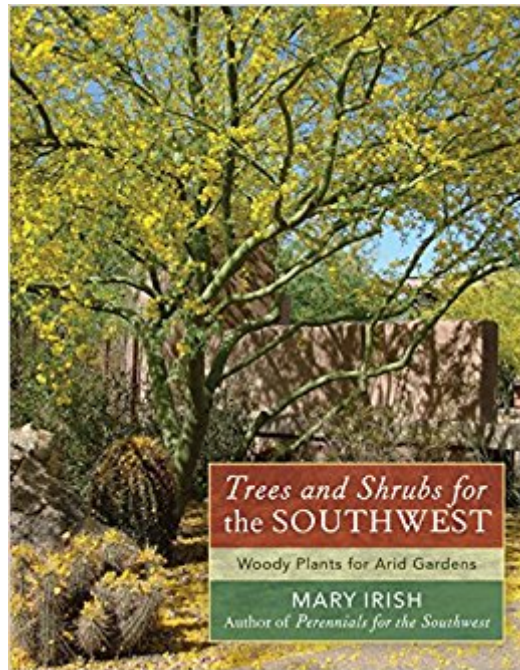




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Trees And Shrubs For The Southwest: Woody Plants For Arid Gardens



Synopsis

Like gardeners everywhere, gardeners in the Southwest want home landscapes that include lush, thriving trees and shrubs. But contending with difficult soils, three-digit summer temperatures, and minimal rainfall can pose a daunting challenge. To add to the dilemma, many plants that prosper in other parts of the country can't be grown in the Southwest without resorting to wasteful artificial irrigation. The solution to this conundrum is choosing plants that are adapted to the rigors of the southwestern climate. In *Trees and Shrubs for the Southwest*, readers will find profiles of more than 200 of the most attractive, easy-to-grow, and climate appropriate trees and shrubs. Mary Irish also provides expert information about how to use trees and shrubs in the garden, how to plant and care for them, and how to combat common pests and diseases. This comprehensive title also includes clear and concise instructions on common tasks such as planting, staking, and pruning. From feathery-leaved acacias to bright-flowered desert willows, tough-as-nails mesquites to silvery Texas rangers, homeowners who want to create an attractive, sustainable landscape will find no better resource.

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Mary Irish is the former director of public horticulture at the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix, Arizona. She has written extensively on dry-climate gardening, and is the coauthor (with her husband, Gary Irish) of *Agaves, Yuccas, and Related Plants*. A Texas native residing in Arizona, Mary received her master's degree in geography from Texas A&M University. She is a regular

contributor to several magazines, including Sunset, and teaches classes on the care and culture of agaves, cacti, and other desert shrubs and perennials as well as introductory classes for beginning gardeners. She once hosted a weekly Phoenix-based radio show called The Arizona Gardener, and has also helped produce several television programs about gardening.

I love how this book is organized. Easy to find what you are looking for. There were several trees that I did not find listed tho. I guess to include every tree, would make it too big. Great book!

Great reference book. I work in a nursery and look up info in here often. It is worth every penny.

Awesome, great pics

was very happy with this book and its content. Was exactly what I could use, and was informativeeasy reading

Great reference book for landscaping in the Southwest.

Great reference

Very well done book. I highly recommend the books by Mary Irish. They are very informative and well done. Great book

Good survey of trees & shrubs that will grow in the Southwest; being from upstate NY, it will be very helpful in my intended new gardening activities. Good pics as well as the informative text.

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