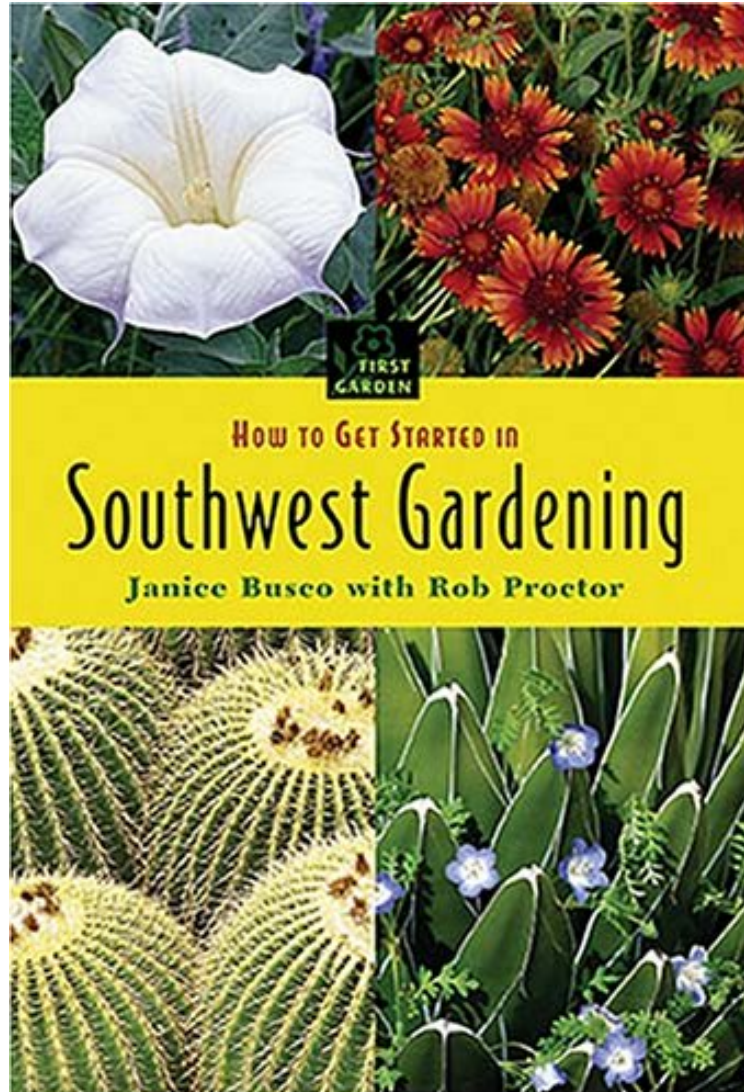


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Simply the best. Great first gardening book for Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Nevada and Utah! By JaniceHi, I'm Jan Busco, one of the authors. This book distills my thirty years knowledge of gardening in this region and is one of the best there is. I love it because I wrote it with my head and with my heart, and I present it to everyone as a unique and simple book that will tell you how to get what YOU would like out of your garden. Most Southwestern gardening books you will find are simply all about desert gardening. This

one gives you all the information you will need to garden anywhere in the southwest -- from the high elevations of Taos to the low deserts of Yuma, Arizona and in-between in the dry foothills and plains of Colorado. Buy it, you will use it and share what you learn with your friends. I co-wrote this book with famous western garden writer Rob Proctor. Rob provided the introductory section on general principles, garden design and planning -- and as always his writing and pictures are fabulous, a little funny, and very easy to follow. I wrote the second half, which is all about getting started in gardening anywhere in the entire Southwest, with an emphasis on how to make it easy and fun, and how to use native and drought-tolerant plants and edibles for a low-water use, sustainable, eco-friendly southwestern garden. This book is inexpensive and easy to follow. It is filled with fantastic color photos, and lists of plants you can use to attract butterflies, hummingbirds and bees to your garden. It is all about making a garden paradise that is your own rather than a cookie-cutter lifeless landscape. And it features some of the best plants there are -- plus teaches you how to find other plants that will give you just what you love and need in your garden.

How to Get Started in Southwest Gardening covers the following topics: Ground Zero: Soil Amending, Mulching, and Fertilizing. Design Choices include Formal, Naturalistic and More Plants for Success. It also covers the Top 50 Plants for Southwestern Gardens and Troubleshooting in the Southwest Garden for Pests, Invaders, and Diseases.

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