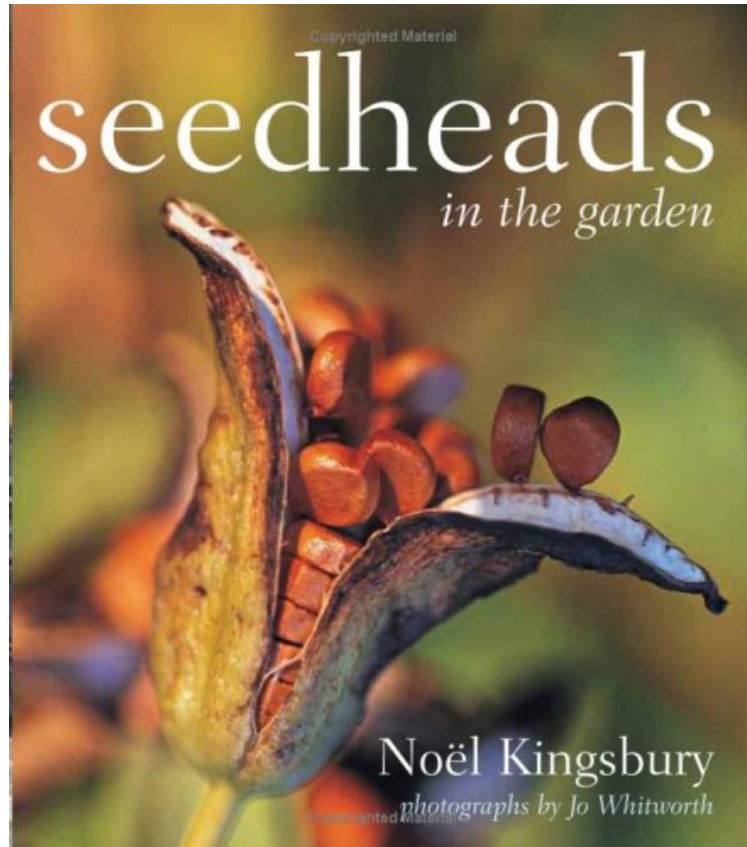


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Noël Kingsbury : Seedheads in the Garden before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Seedheads in the Garden:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. If Only for the Pictures By J. WILLIAMS If I had to give a reason why the book is so great I could say that just the pictures alone are worth it. If you are a fan of the New Perennial movement you already understand the beauty that can be found in a plant after blooming. If you are not you will after reading this book. The only drawback I found is that the book could have included more plants. But this is understandable because the book had to end somewhere. Seeing, and reading, how to incorporate such interest into the late season garden is a thrill for any gardener or designer. At least it was a thrill for me. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. wonderful By L. Love this book. If you appreciate good seed heads on perennials buy this. Pix are stunning and the plant choices are super 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. What wonderful garden art By Suzy QI have extensively looked at the pictures, but have the written content still to read. The book made me realize just how much art is in the garden in fall and winter. Muted colors. Textures. Shapes. Contrasts. Themes. Balance. Very valuable book for a designer and a lecturer.

Seedheads bring impact to late summer borders and linger to provide interest well into autumn and winter. They look dramatic set against a backdrop of fading flowers, associate well with grasses and native plants, and are key components of the naturalistic garden in which every phase of a plant is enjoyed from first shoot to final decay. After providing historical context, Nol Kingsbury explains how plants reproduce and participate in the garden's wider ecology, and explores seedheads' role in diverse gardens worldwide. At the heart of the book is a plant directory in which Kingsbury's hand-picked selection describes the particular characteristics of each plant's seedheads and grades them according to their value and persistence. Jo Whitworth's compelling photographs capture the individual character of each seedhead and open our eyes to the intricate shapes, tempting textures and dense monochromes of seedheads.

From Booklist Prolific writer and designer Kingsbury focuses on a key element of the naturalistic garden style with which he is associated: the fading allure of plants flaunting their showy seedheads. Winter gardens have been all the rage; now Kingsbury accords the autumn season equal attention in his discussion of the ornamental cycle of grasses, flowers, and herbaceous perennials. Lavishly illustrated with color photographs, Kingsbury's richly descriptive writing draws readers into a fascinating botanical realm where pods, papery seedcases, awns, and burrs dance on the wind, find their way to terra firma, and ultimately germinate, continuing the circle of life. Designing with seedheads utilizes their visual impact up close and from a distance. Presenting a wealth of options, Kingsbury acts as an aesthetic guide to seeing beauty from a wilder perspective while also explaining how to integrate seedheads into formal settings. With tips on cultivation and a comprehensive plant directory, Kingsbury's latest should prove exciting for gardeners open to new ideas. Alice Joyce Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved "This beautifully photographed book showcases the unusual textures and striking silhouettes of plants past their prime." -- Seattle Times From the Publisher In this book, Nol Kingsbury explores the role of seedheads in diverse gardens worldwide. An analysis of seedheads' aesthetic merits is accompanied by cultivation advice and a plant directory.