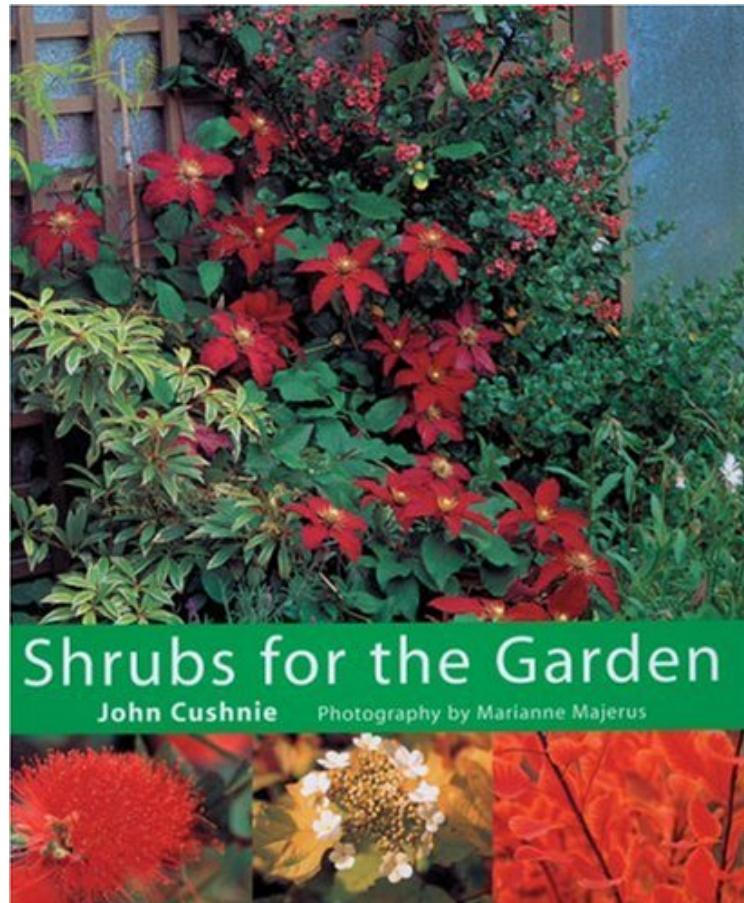


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. For your inner landscape architect By ThirstyBrooks John Cushnie's *Shrubs for the Garden* spends its first half covering effective placement for shrubs. Only then does it dive into the catalog of choices. In both sections, Cushnie gives good hints on problems to avoid. These offer great value, since most of us don't have long experience nurturing perennials through years of varying climate conditions. I took great interest in the first half of the book, dominated by extensive discussions of garden design considerations. To really capitalize on some of these suggestions, it helps to be able to move rocks, walls, and buildings, which is beyond the scope of many home gardeners. Still, we can dream. The catalog in the back half contains many plants I can only grow in my imagination, because I live in zone 6 and they won't. But overall the book contains a world of good ideas. In addition to its value as an idea source, *Shrubs for the Garden* provides interesting fodder for conversations with gardeners, including people from out of town. And it will make an excellent coffee table book for garden hobbyists, real estate philistines, and those who appreciate landscape architecture for its own sake.

Whether it stands as a single feature in a mixed border, climbs a trellis, forms a hedge, or spills out of a pot, the shrub offers beauty, diversity, privacy, and shelter; moreover, there's an ideal shrub for every season and every kind of soil and climate. So, faced with this dazzling variety, how does a gardener choose? Drawing on a lifetime's experience as a gardener, and mingling expert advice with his trademark enthusiasm, John Cushnie will help you choose the perfect shrub. With a beautifully illustrated directory featuring 175 entries, Cushnie guides you through choosing, planting, and caring for shrubs, offering his personal favorites for every situation. Whether you're looking for shape or shelter, scent, glorious autumn color, bright summer blooms, or evergreens for year-round interest, *Shrubs for the Garden* has the plant for you. Landscape designer and gardening editor John Cushnie is the author of *Ground Cover*, *How to Garden*, and *Trees for the Yard and Garden*.

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