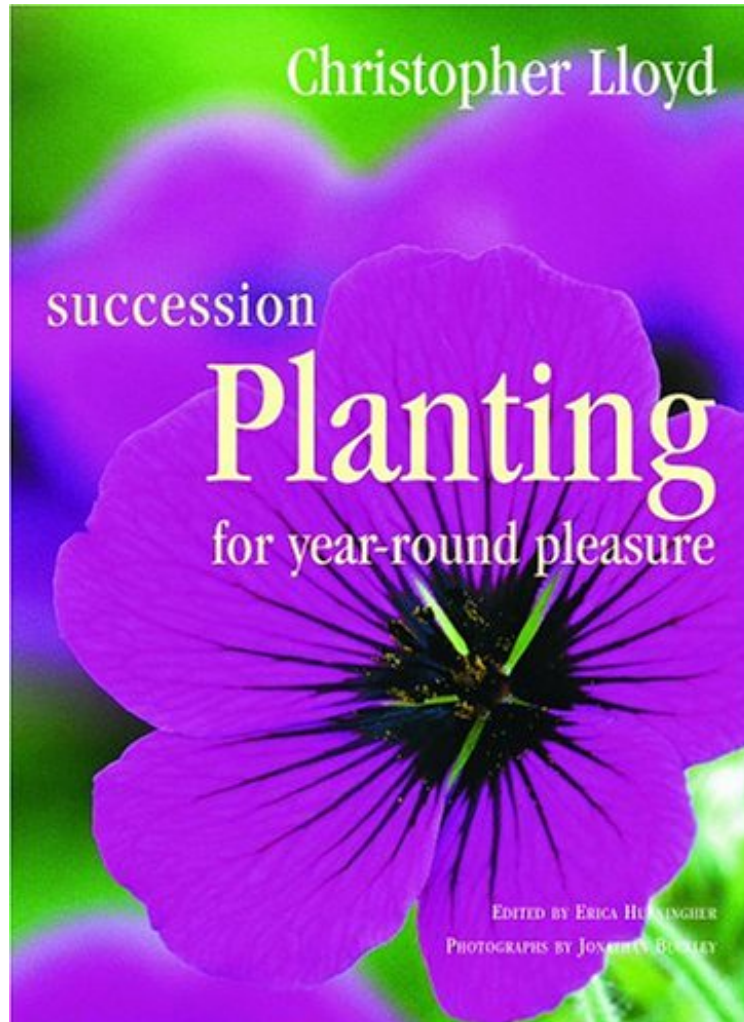


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Christopher Lloyd : Succession Planting for Year-Round Pleasure before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Succession Planting for Year-Round Pleasure:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. That's why the famous British landscaper Christopher Lloyd's wonderful classic "Succession Planting for Year-Round Pleasure" is By Eileen B. East One of the marvels of landscaping is the perennial border. It's the poster child for a traditional English cottage look. In my imagination, tiny front yards are converted to ever blooming floral oases with a cobblestone path that leads one through the garden to the front door of a thatch roof cottage. That's why the famous British landscaper Christopher Lloyd's wonderful classic "Succession Planting for Year-Round Pleasure" is such a great read. Lloyd was a past master of the perennial border. There is an amazing amount of work needed to keep a meadow or a border in top condition, and the book can guide

you. It's tricky to get plants to cooperate in a mixed border. Invasive weeds move in. Insects and disease devastate a beautiful planting. From the viewpoint of the plants, it's about competition for resources with neighbors you may not like. In Lloyd's book successful succession planting is an art. Like Japanese bonsai, each plant must be carefully studied before it is planted. And you have to be ruthless about culling. A formerly well behaved plant may take over if you don't control it. If you dream of meadows and perennial borders, I recommend you read Christopher Lloyd's book and spend the winter months drawing up a plan complete with a plant list. Prepare your soil well before you start, and mulch with undyed wood chips to conserve moisture and keep weeds down. When your lovely border is blooming, your dream will have come true.

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By Rosemary Alexander It could have been better. There were some good thoughts and ideas. The photos should have been larger because it was hard to identify plants in the photos from the descriptions.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic resource and eye candy.

By Kathryn L. Harsha This is a great balance of fantastic full-page photos and invaluable information. The text is insightful without being stuffy, and the photos are fantastic. Easily approachable as a book to read cover to cover or pick up for a few minutes of inspiration. Fantastic buy.

Most gardeners want their borders to be interesting and colorful over a long season, even year-round if winters are not too severe. With this book, Christopher Lloyd shows how he chooses and orchestrates plants so that the borders always look their best. Once having covered the principles of succession planting, Lloyd explores the ingredients necessary to ensure continuously lively borders---from anchor plants and permanent perennials to drop-in plants and self-sowers. Packed with fresh ideas and practical advice for every season, *Succession Planting* contains all the information you need to create brilliantly successful year-round planting schemes.

About the Author The late Christopher Lloyd (1921-2006) lived in the 15th century half-timbered manor house of Great Dixter his entire life. He is the author of a string of bestselling garden classics, and in 1979 the Royal Horticultural Society conferred on him its highest award, the Victoria Medal of Honour."