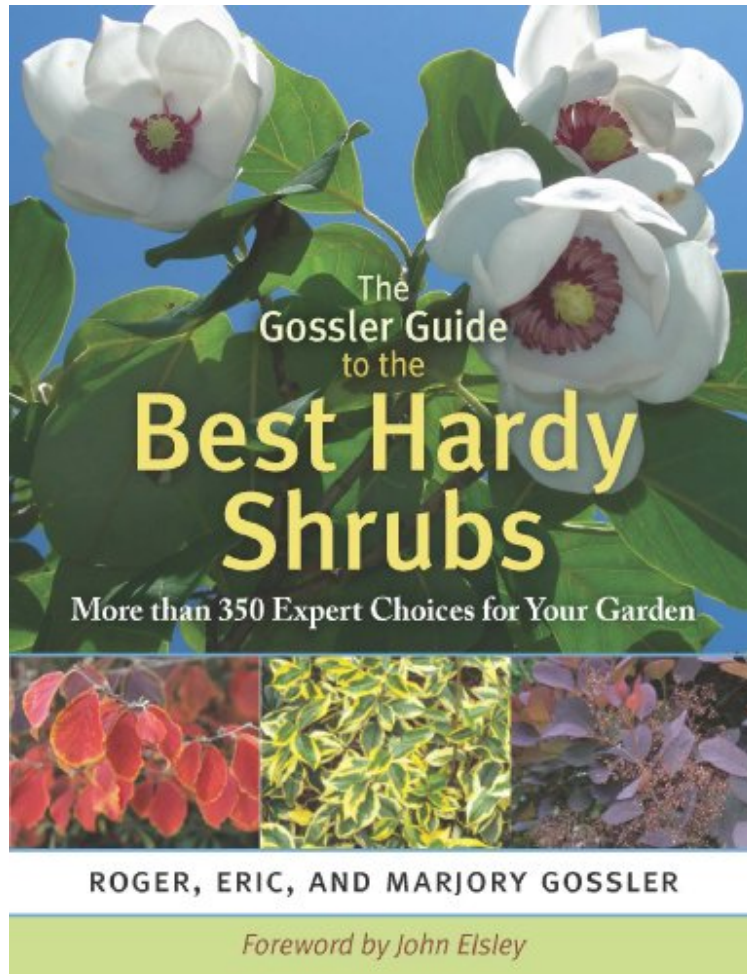


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read this book cover to cover. The Gosslers are experts and it shows in the detailed information listed for each shrub which is so helpful since I garden in the Pacific Northwest. Roger Gossler spoke with great slides and helpful ideas at the 2010 NW Flower and Garden Show in Seattle; I highly recommend this book and his nursery in Springfield, Oregon.

For most homeowners, shrubs are an essential part of the yard or garden because they provide shade, flowers, and foliage from spring through fall. Unfortunately, the choices available at many garden centers tend to be predictable and often unsuited to the local climate and growing conditions. It doesn't have to be that way. The superior plants available today can transform ho-hum gardens into scenes of beauty and serenity. For decades, the Gossler family has tested, propagated, and sold the very best hardy shrubs from around the world. This book is a distillation of their expertise a guide to more than 350 of the most beautiful, versatile, and growable shrubs. Plant profiles describe the plant's main characteristics, give height and spread, and list the growing conditions needed to thrive.

Gardeners in the Pacific Northwest will get the most out of this useful work because of similar growing conditions to the Gosslers, but gardeners in zones 5-9 will also find worthy choices. Library Journal The book, broken down alphabetically by genus, includes plenty of the new and trendy-at-the-moment plants but doesn't neglect the old warhorses. No matter the plant, though, each one was chosen with Gossler's massive knowledge of shrubs. The Oregonian Even though I grow plenty of shrubs and read voraciously, the Gossler's book introduced me to new varieties that I want to try. Portland Tribune If [the Gosslers] have a mission, it is to get you to look past the country's twenty most common shrubs—the ones that make new housing developments look so much alike—and get to know some of the alternatives. Fresh Dirt blog Reading The Gossler Guide is like walking through the display garden with one of the Gossler family. The informal style, depth of knowledge about the plants, and passion with which the information is shared. . . is totally engaging. Pacific Horticulture