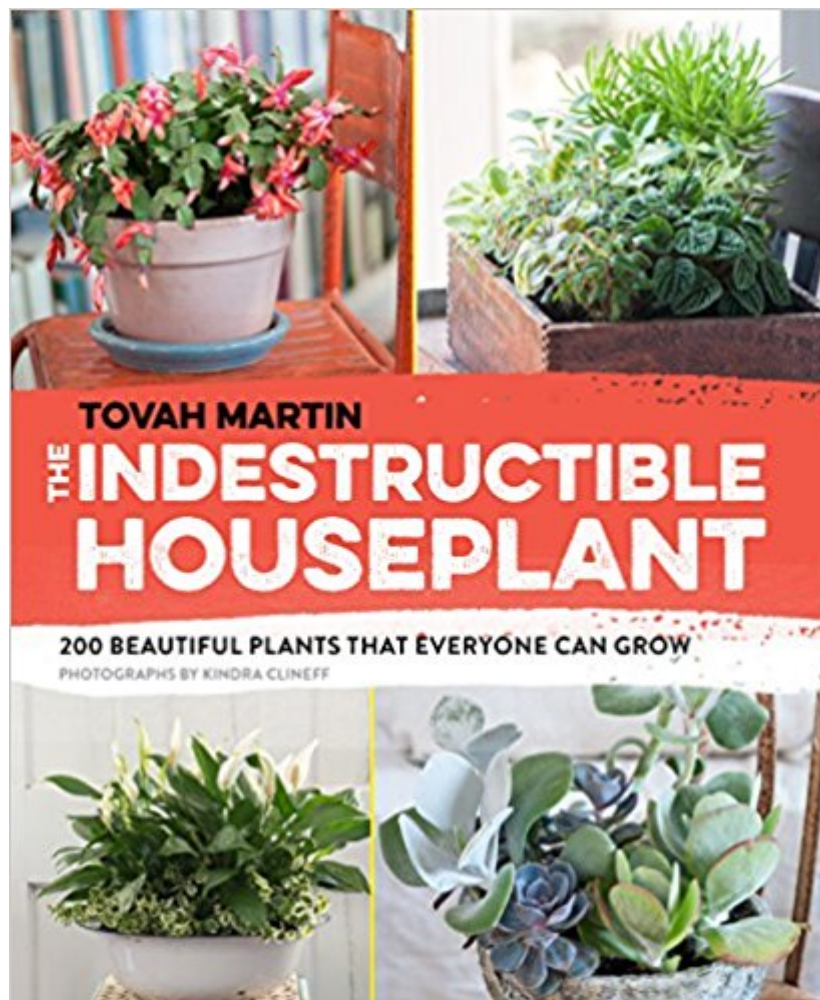




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The Indestructible Houseplant: 200 Beautiful Plants That Everyone Can Grow



Synopsis

The Indestructible Houseplant, by garden writer Tovah Martin, eliminates the guesswork by highlighting indoor plants that are tough, beautiful, reliable, and readily available. Like hoyo, a low-maintenance plant whose spectacular spring and summer blossoms actually thrive on neglect. Or Ficus elastica (also known as rubber tree), whose pink and gray leaves will brighten even the most challenging windowless environment. And castiron plant, an old favorite that remains beautiful in a shady corner, even after weeks without water. In addition to plant profiles with concise information on water, light, and blooming times, this gorgeous book includes tips on care, maintenance, and ideas for combining houseplants in eye-catching indoor displays.

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“Martin’s prose is so confident, and the plants so seductively photographed, that I began to fantasize about building a conservatory.” • “The New York Times Book Review” “Do you wish you lived in a lush indoor Eden, but are constantly reminded that plants die? There’s hope for you: Some houseplants are simply harder to kill than others. Tovah Martin knows this.” •

“The Huffington Post” “Tovah Martin has weeded through the world of indoor plants to find over 200 options tough enough for anyone to grow. The key to success is Martin’s thorough plant profiles, which include detailed information about the plant, suitable indoor growing conditions, and care for each plant. The friendly, approachable text is accompanied by photographs that will inspire experimentation. Another nice feature is the houseplant care calendar to help keep

maintenance on track. • "The American Gardener • Tovah Martin has a cure for those of us with black thumbs. • "Atlanta Journal Constitution • Filled with heaps of sensible advice and wit. • "The Columbian • Indoor gardeners, rejoice. . . . Martin's easy-going, informative writing will encourage any indoor gardener, from the purple-thumbed to those with jungles of houseplants. • "Chronicle Herald • This nearly 300-page book pleasurably accomplishes several things at once: It provides us with the names and cultural requirements of 200 of the easiest and most interesting houseplants; it presents them in a decorative way that thrills and inspires; it outlines in a conversational tone the tips and tricks we'll need to grow these plants successfully. • "Ottawa Citizen • This book changes the game of indoor gardening with its eloquent repertoire, excellent resources, and concise direction. Martin's voice is like a friend's sharing neighborly advice. • "Design New England • The Indestructible Houseplant is a very useful book, which is perfect for both new and experienced gardeners alike. • "Pumpkin Beth

Hundreds of houseplants you can't kill! Tovah Martin, the undisputed Queen of Green, shows that anyone can grow healthy houseplants. It all boils down to a simple set of skills and "here's the crucial part" picking the right plants. These tough but beautiful plants can thrive in less-than-ideal conditions, and they're easy to find. You'll also learn how to pot, repot, water, and fertilize; pick up some great ideas for fun, funky containers; and benefit from Tovah's tips on how to display your plants to perk up a room. So get some indestructible and start your indoor garden. As Tovah promises, "Life will be beautiful. •

No problem

This was a gift for my daughter who was immensely inspired and encouraged. She plans to try, try again!

Extremely basic. A couple of my plants weren't in it and there is no information on how to start a new plant, from cuttings, in water, or by dividing the roots. She mentions how much she didn't like certain plants in the beginning but has come to appreciate and enjoy them now. For almost every plant she states that they can be in an east or west window but I don't understand that, since the west window would burn them and the east window would be very low light, so which is it? She warns when a plant is poisonous to your companion animals and that's a good thing but all in all, if

you're looking for a book on houseplants, I'd definitely keep looking.

A wonderful book an so many plants that I want to add to my own home ... Beautiful book

Great book!

When I began buying houseplants, I thought it would be useful to have a houseplant encyclopedia to reference for lighting and watering requirements, plus I wanted to be able to read about all types of plants. This is not what I got in this book, but that's okay because what Tovah Martin does is go into depth about a few plants that she sees as valuable and worthy of taking care of over time. This book is really about building relationships with your plants, about choosing plants for their quality and housing them in a way that does justice to both their needs and their aesthetic. Houseplants are not always treated well; people make jokes about how bad they are at taking care of them, and few people do research on a plant before they buy it. What this book does is encourage its readers to be deliberate about plant purchases. It gives examples of several plants that are both hardy and attractive, and while it does provide useful information about lighting, watering, potential problems, etc., Martin's stories about each plant make this a more valuable read than a houseplant encyclopedia. If you are someone who cares about building a relationship with your plants, about treating them like a living thing, this book is for you. If you want a quick reference guide, go with something else. Or try this book anyway - as I said, I thought I wanted a quick reference book, but "The Indestructible Houseplant" turned out to be what I really needed. It has transformed my entire approach to growing plants indoors.

Very informative and nicely written. A nice read

Highly Recommended to all who grow houseplants.

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