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The Gardener's Weed Book: Earth-Safe Controls (Brooklyn Botanic Garden Handbooks)



Synopsis

Beginning and expert gardeners will learn how to identify and control weeds using earth-safe methods.

Customer Reviews

Pleasant, author of six other books on gardening, explains how weeds survive and how to control them organically. She lists 80 weeds that are commonly found in North American gardens, giving the Latin and common names of each, along with information on what types of soil they grow in. Each listing has a detailed description of the weed and how to control it, as well as a black-and-white drawing of the seeds, flowers, and mature plant. Pleasant's list includes some beneficial weeds, such as black medic (whose roots leave behind bacteria that help other members of the pea family feed themselves) and such plants as morning glories, which many gardeners consider to be beautiful flowers. A final chapter gives brief sketches of 28 plant families and the common weeds and cultivated plants that belong to each of them. George Cohen --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Identify and Control Weeds for a Super Garden! Weeds are fascinating plants that tell us a great deal -- but only if we learn to listen. This easy-to-use reference from gardening expert Barbara Pleasant covers the pros and cons of the presence of weeds, recommends proven organic methods for controlling unwanted weeds, and presents an illustrated encyclopedia of dozens of the most common weeds. The Gardener's Weed Book will show you: -- How to control weeds organically: mulching, hand weeding, cutting and mowing, growing smother crops -- How to identify weeds, with illustrations of seedlings and mature plants -- What weeds reveal about soil conditions and gardening techniques -- All about your weeds: origin and range, site, soil, and season, full description, and related plants

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