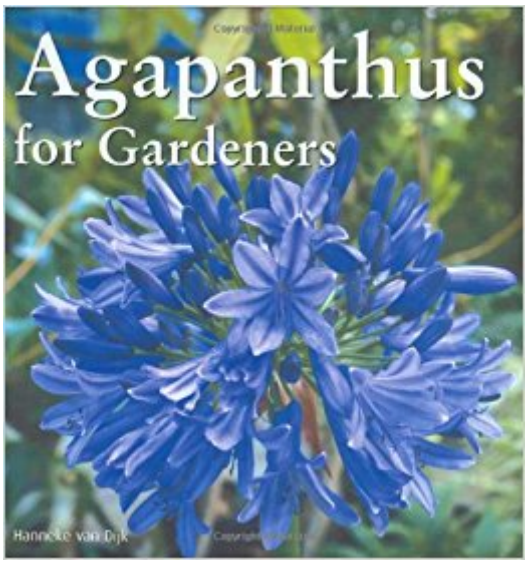
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Synopsis

Agapanthus have been cultivated and hybridized extensively since they were first brought to the attention of botanists and gardeners in the 17th century. Native to South Africa, the genus includes 6 species and 14 subspecies, both deciduous and evergreen, and more than 600 interesting and dramatic cultivars. Flowers range in color from pure white through greyish-blue to very dark blue, and plants vary from delightful miniatures for smaller gardens or containers to more imposing forms suitable for borders and beds. Agapanthus for Gardeners is an informative and practical guide to growing this popular perennial. It includes descriptions of all species and subspecies, along with a selection of 80 cultivars that have proven themselves in the garden and in containers; information on choosing and buying plants, cultivation requirements, propagation, and pests and diseases; and a discussion of Agapanthus as a cut flower. Illustrated with over 75 photographs, this is a useful companion to Wim Snoeijer’s more scholarly and exhaustive Agapanthus: A Revision of the Genus, also published by Timber Press.

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Lovers of agapanthus will appreciate the beautiful photography and detailed information. Gardeners new to the cultivation of this extraordinary plant will benefit from an introduction to the many varieties of agapanthus. The author provides lists of plants by category and size. Excellent!

Agapanthus for Gardeners is definitely a book written by someone who loves this plant. And loving this plant is something Hannek Van Dijk does.From the beginning, Van Dijk makes the reader truly understand the meaning of this African plant. From giving the history and origin, to giving detailed explanations of the many species, subspecies and cultivars-this book has it all. This book shows you how to grow and enjoy Agapanthus. It covers all the steps involved in growing this wonderful plant. From choosing and purchasing, to nourishment, pests and diseases, all the answers to your questions are in this helpful aide.As well as information, Van Dijk provides dozens of colorful photos that fill the pages of this book from beginning to end.For anyone who is even thinking about growing this popular perennial or anyone who just wants to learn more about it, this book is the one to look for.

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