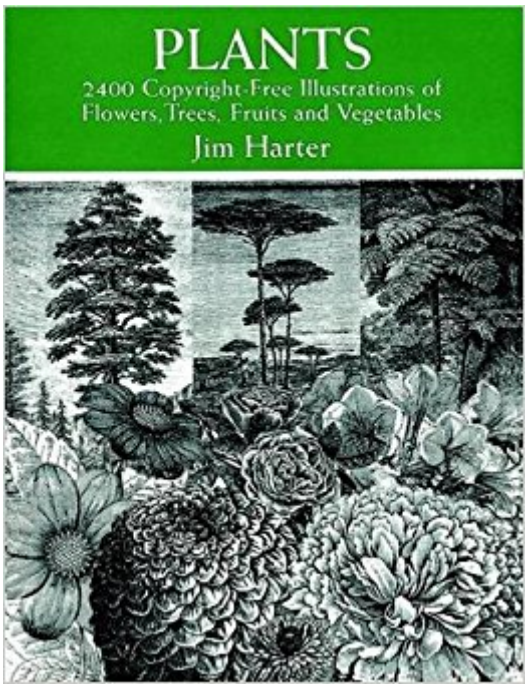
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Synopsis

This extraordinary collection of engravings provides designers and commercial artists with a magnificent sourcebook of Victorian-era plant images Ã¢â ¬â • all royalty-free. Included are 2,400 crisply detailed illustrations of hundreds of plants Ã¢â ¬â • from lilies, lichens, mushrooms and marigolds, to poppies, palms, maples, and mosses. Selected from rare publications dating from the 1840s to the turn of the century, the illustrations encompass a wide range of plant species and classifications: garden flowers, cactuses, bromeliads, ferns, deciduous trees, evergreens, grasses, legumes, orchids, nightshades, and many more. All are identified with Latin or common names and are arranged alphabetically by family. Also presented are specialized appendices on edible foods, medicinal herbs, and plants used in decoration and in graphic design, including borders and motifs. Created during a period when wood engraving had reached its zenith and become a greatly refined art, these splendid royalty-free illustrations will be an indispensable and inspirational resource for artists and craftspeople working in a variety of areas. The collection will also delight botanists, gardeners, and collectors of old engravings, all of whom are sure to treasure this tribute to the beauty and infinite variety of the plant kingdom.

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Customer Reviews

Jim Harter is a successful artist and editor of several Dover Pictura CD-ROM Books, including Harter’s Picture Archive for Collage and Illustration, Landscapes and Cityscapes for Artists and Craftspeople, Nautical Illustrations, and more.

Just as advertised this book has a huge variety of plants to work with. We will be using this book for tattoo reference and it is perfect for this purpose. The images could be used pretty much as is for blackwork. The only critique I have is the paper isn't the highest quality. I wouldn't recommend it for a "high traffic" library. There are two artists in our household so this won't be the case for us. The paper quality is the same for any paperback book you will buy on , the prices are GREAT but the paper is a little easier to tear. It's a trade off I can easily live with. Great buy for a quieter library.

Very well written and illustrated

Gorgeous large illustrations, neatly organized by categories. LOVE how every item is conveniently identified in the index (maybe a handful of the 2400 are labeled unidentified)--very easy to look up the item in the index, it's organized by page and each illustration is assigned a number. I also love how there's extra sections for plant related stuff like ornate pots, green houses, and plants as frames like borders. Overall, excellent purchase.

I needed this book for an art project. It is exactly what is advertised and full of amazing and very detailed illustrations of plants.

Recomendado!

Exactly what I wanted for crafting. There is what seems to be a limitless supply of ideas of what can be done using these illustrations. The detail is wonderful.

Dover at its best: Clean, crisp line art and etchings drawn from many royalty-free sources. Exoticism and botanical accuracy combined. Useful in advertising or graphic art.

I use this book to copy plants and flowers for artistic purposes and have used a few already. There are some really beautiful drawings and you can see all the details that go into that particular one. Never run out of ideas!

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