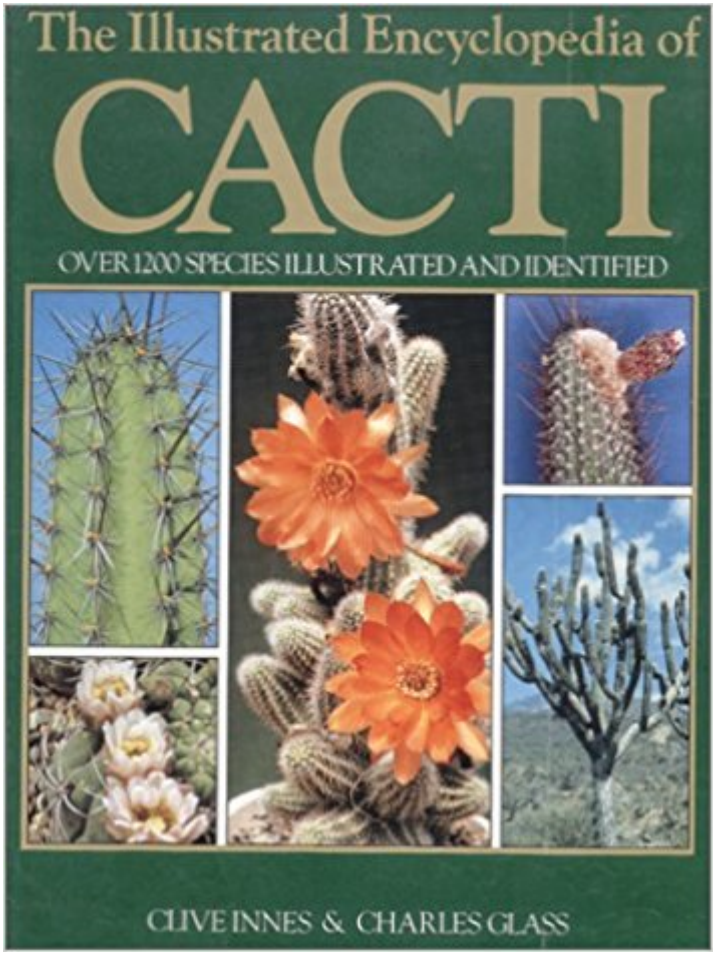
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I purchased this book to help me identify the specimens in my growing cacti collection and while this book is very thorough in covering the subject matter, I found that it made no effort to note which of the many many cacti represented in the various chapters were likely to be the one I'd just purchased from my local retail sources. The photos are wonderful, with very good detail, although I would have preferred a picture showing both overall cactus shape as well as the closeup details of ribs, spines and flowers. Some specimens are only shown as flowers, which does not help with the identification process. And while I understand that there are many common names for the various cacti listed, it would have been helpful to have a few of them listed for each cactus (with a disclaimer of course)

and included in the index.

I got this for my cacti collecting sister. She loves it and has been able to identify some of the succulents and cacti she has with it. Very informative and lots of nice pictures.

cool book everytime i open it i find a new cactus i need for my collection !

In my opinion this book lists too many hybrids and not enough of the original species. If it were a true encyclopedia it would at least list the ones that are actually growing in habitat.

Extremely informative with tons of information on each genus and species of Cacti! Great resource to have on hand.

Altho no one text is going to "be all", this is as good as it gets. Most texts show great flowers, but lose the plant in the process - a common complaint in reviews of other similar books. But this text keeps the overall perspective of plant & flower -- along with all the growing condition possibilities. Definitely "two thumbs"! Definitely a must!

Great resource

Thought I could use this to identify some cacti I have but so many varieties look just alike it didn't work out like I thought it might, the illustrations are colorful and great tho.

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