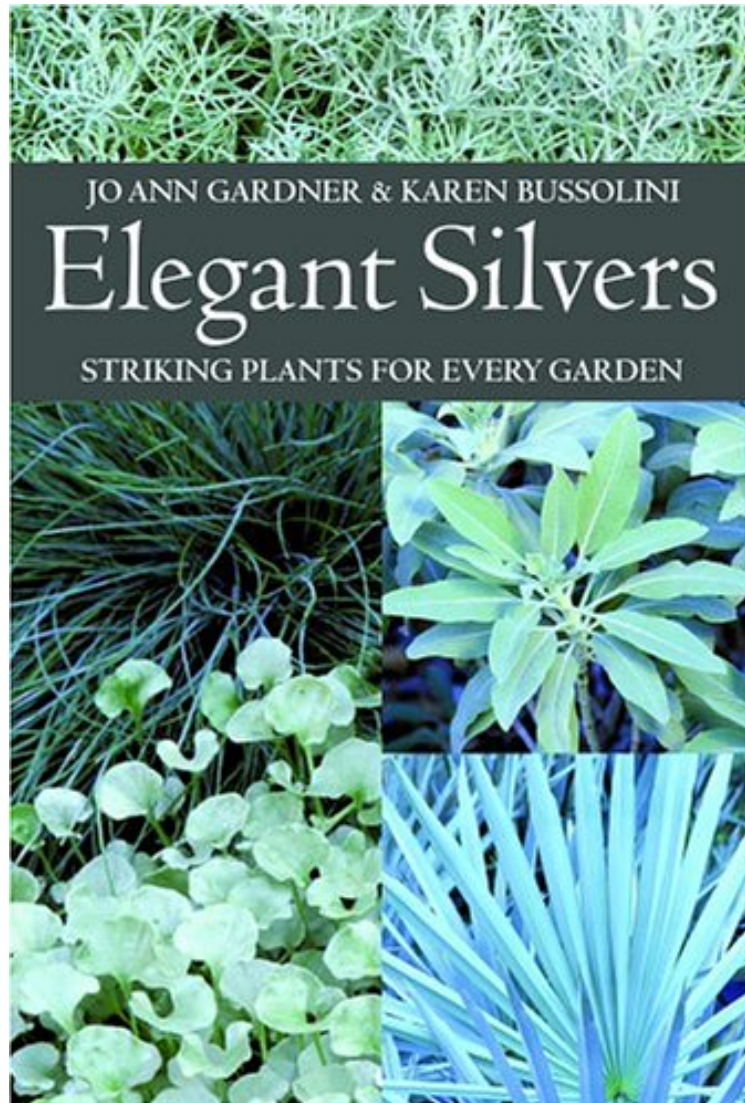


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Silver plants bring a luminous beauty to the landscape. Their distinctive colors, textures, and silhouettes enrich garden design; their ability to withstand extremes of heat, cold, drought, wind, and, for variegated silvers, shade makes them indispensable for gardeners. The geographic range of silver plants is broader than many assume. Silver conifers evoke snowy, colder regions and thrive in the most frigid sites. Even in four-season climates where they are frost tender, stunning agaves, yuccas, and echeverias can be grown outdoors in containers, then wintered over indoors, while other silvers, including tropicals like the downy-leaved *Plectranthus argentatus*, can be treated as annuals. In this comprehensive and inspirational compendium, silver aficionados Jo Ann Gardner and Karen Bussolini have selected and vividly illustrated the best candidates for a broad range of growing and design needs. Whether you decide to add a dash of quicksilver or the soothing perfume of an ancient herb, this in-depth guide to plants of uncommon beauty and versatility is certain to change the way you see and plant your garden.

From BooklistGardner and Bussolini are a great team, bringing together decades of herbal expertise, gardening acumen, and an exciting vision of how silver foliage contributes to the impact and allure of a garden plan. Encyclopedic entries point out each plant's natural habitat, from the humid South to the frigid North, and clear advice on cultivation requirements and hardiness will help immensely in choosing the best plants for specific situations. The range of silver plant material is exciting, from drought-tolerant and deer-resistant selections to plants for sun or shade. Bussolini and Gardner reveal the merits of tactile and structural specimens, offering an inspiring trove that includes touchable perennials with downy leaves, ground-covering annuals to brighten beds and borders, herbs for fragrance, architectural succulents, and irresistible flowering shrubs. To provide backbone in the garden, a crucial design element, the entries include a host of trees, including palms with dramatic fans, the emphatic forms of majestic and dwarf conifers, and elegant deciduous species. Required reading for avid gardeners. Alice JoyceCopyright American Library Association. All rights reserved Whether you decide to add a dash of quicksilver or the soothing perfume of an ancient herb, this in-depth guide to plants of uncommon beauty and versatility is certain to change the way you see and plant your garden. Sierra Heritage At Home Magazine