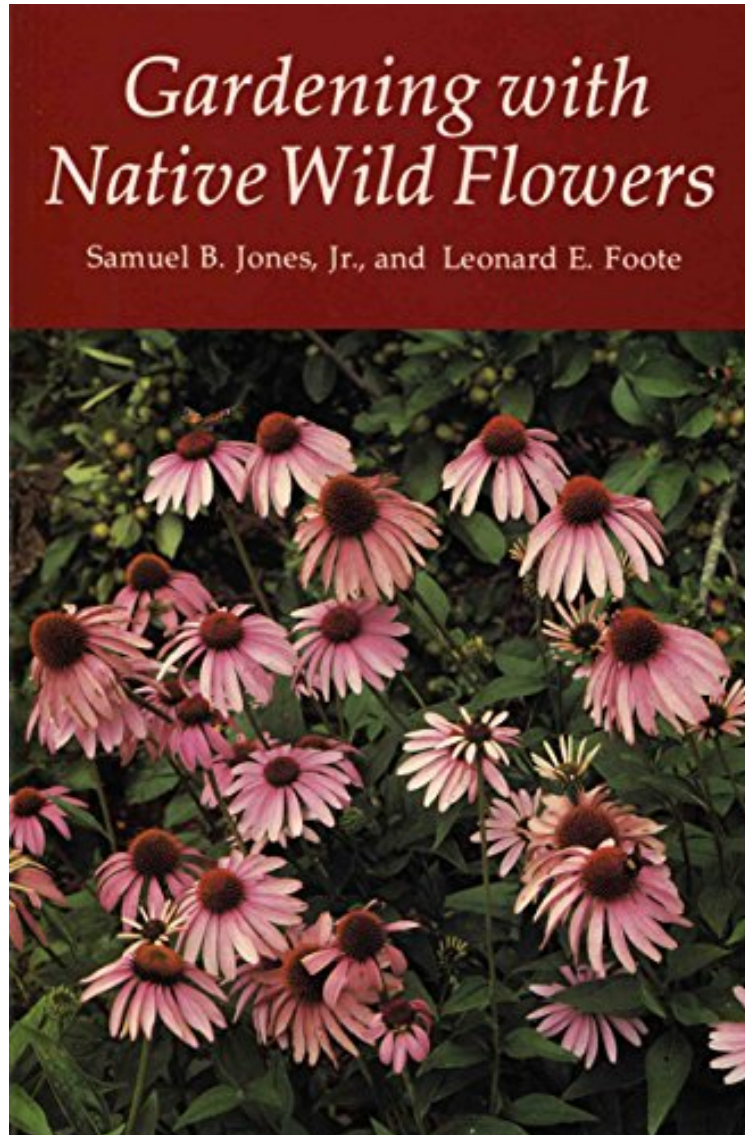


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**Samuel B. Jones Jr., Leonard E. Foote : Gardening with Native Wildflowers** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Gardening with Native Wildflowers:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. wonderfully organized!By G. R. FleischakerThis book is not meant to be an encyclopedia but a guide to gardening in the midwestern and eastern US. After the opening discussion of general issues (planning, management, soil, light, nutrients, pH, etc.) come several sections, each of which provides

gardening information and detailed lists of native plants according to several possible sites -- sun, shade, meadow, bog -- plus separate sections for ferns, for grasses, sedges, and rushes, and for native ground covers. This is exactly what I've been looking for! A note to the reviewer who complained of the book's including the invasive *Lythrum salicaria* (purple loosestrife). Had you looked on p. 165 where it is cited in the Index, you would have seen this warning: "This introduced species with tall, magenta-colored spikes has become a noxious weed along stream banks and around ponds in the North, choking out many interesting native species. Purple Loosestrife is so aggressive that it should never be planted." 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great addition to my library By P. Wright This book covers all of the native wildflowers in our part of the country and then some. It is an excellent addition to a gardener's reference library of books. It is also beautifully illustrated. 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. The bible of native flowers! By A Customer I never thought I would take a gardening book to bed with me. This one is a pleasure to read and taught me a lot about identification and gardening uses of native wildflowers of the southeast and northeast. It's the first book I grab to look up a species. Lots of full color photographs have made it much easier for me to identify the plants I want at the nursery. The two authors are coming from different perspectives - one has a natural meadow/woodlands landscape and the other uses native plants in a more controlled garden setting along with exotics. Between the two of them, the reader gets a balanced idea of the possibilities of introducing native flowers to their own yards. I only wish the index combined scientific names with common names, rather than having two separate indexes. It would also be convenient if the plant photos were on the same pages as the descriptions. But those are minor criticisms of an overall superb book.

This classic on native plants encourages the garden use of wild flowers, grasses, ground covers, and hardy ferns native to the eastern and midwestern U.S., suggesting suitable plants for woodland, meadow, and wetland features in the garden.

"A must have reference for landscape professionals or serious gardeners who wish to create or preserve natural plantings." -Atlanta Journal Constitution "A must have reference for landscape professionals or serious gardeners who wish to create or preserve natural plantings." -Atlanta Journal Constitution From the Back Cover Gardening with Native Wild Flowers The authors introduce the reader to the landscape possibilities of plants frequently overlooked, or those wrongly considered to be common and therefore uninteresting. Gardeners from just east of the Great Plains to the Atlantic will find detailed information on which plants to use and how to use them. There are extensive plant lists for both shady and sunny garden spots and for boggy sites, as well as chapters on native groundcovers; ferns and fern allies; and grasses, sedges, and rushes. These are complemented by over 200 color photographs to create a beautiful and handy guide. About the Author The late Leonard E. Foote served for 30 years as Southeastern Field Representative of the Wildlife Management Institute.