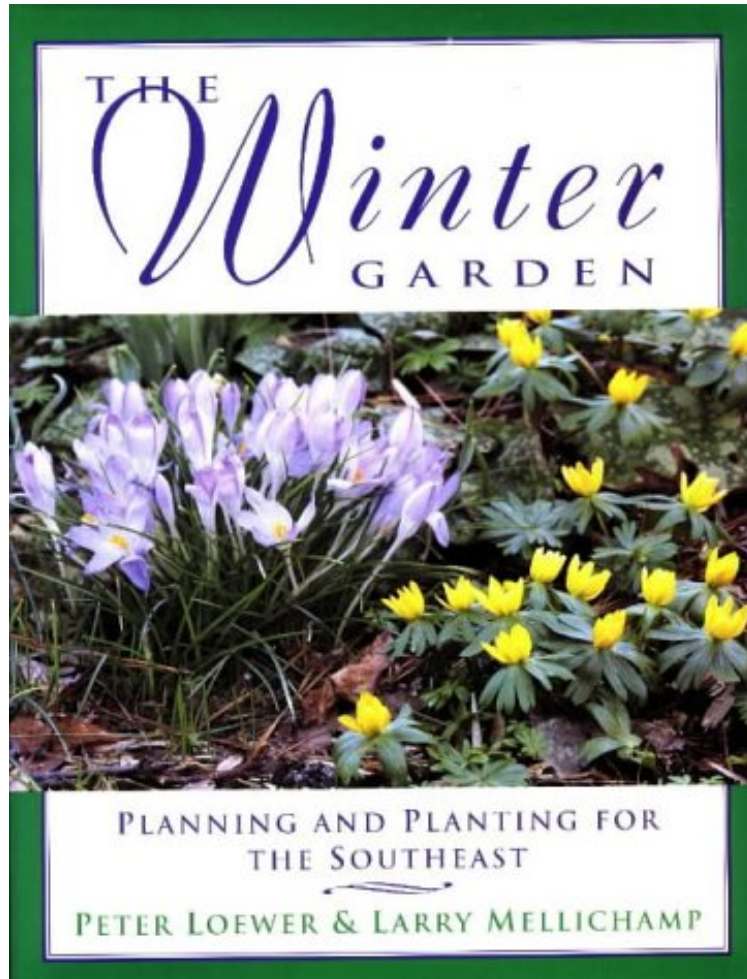


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Loewer is a prolific garden writer (e.g., *Thoreau's Garden*, LJ 8/1/96) who lives in North Carolina; Mellichamp is a botany instructor and greenhouse director at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte. Here, they present thousands of plants with garden interest that thrive in the months from roughly Thanksgiving to April Fool's Day in the region bounded by Pennsylvania to the north, Florida to the south, and west as far as the Mississippi. Winters in this region are relatively short and mild (though not entirely free of occasional heavy snows, freezes, or other grim weather), and many plants either bloom, fruit, or offer attractive textures and foliage during these months. The book is divided into chapters on landscape design; plants with beautiful buds and branches; pods, fruits, and berries; flowers and blooming woody plants; fragrant plants; and evergreen foliage. Within each chapter, plants are listed alphabetically by botanical name, with brief discussions of their special qualities, care, and notable varieties. Appendixes (not seen) discuss sculpture, night-lighting, and sources. This is a very comprehensive book on a topic that deserves more attention. Recommended for most collections, especially in the Southeast. Beth Clewis Crim, Prince William P.L., Va. Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc.