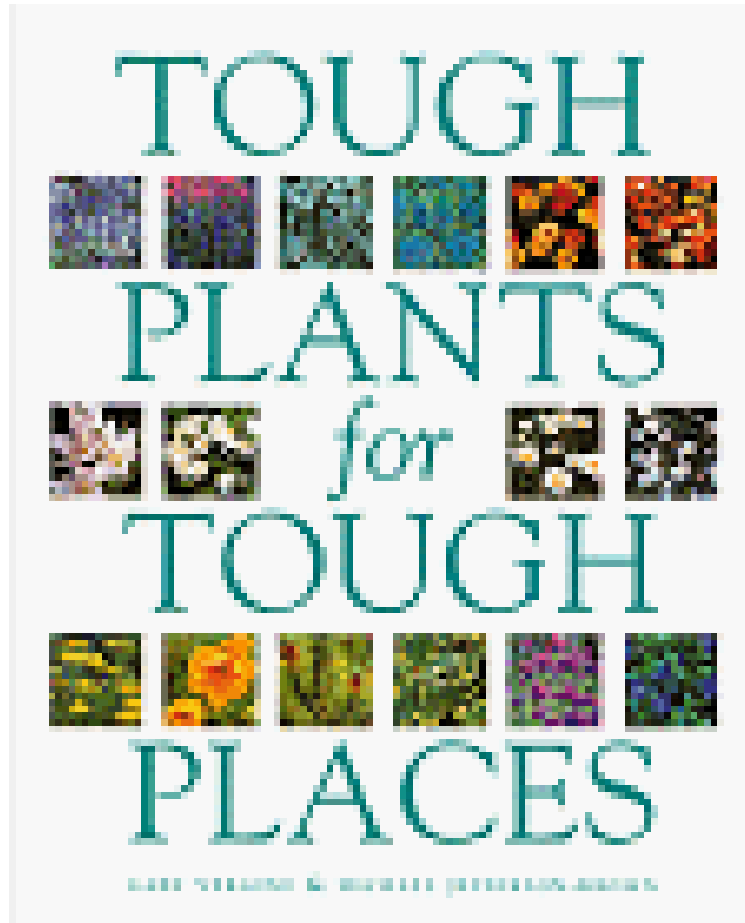


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Solves the problem of filling in the unproductive areas in one's garden with recommendations on the best low-maintenance plants for each site, instructions on building groups of plants that support one another's growth, and 350 inspiring photographs.

From Library Journal The authors, who are plant experts, attempt to provide solutions to the many different challenges

faced by gardeners. First published in England for a British audience, this title works best in the first two sections, which deal with the environmental challenges of too dry and too wet conditions. These sections discuss growing plants under less than ideal conditions, and some of the ideas on plant selection will work for American growers. The sections "Other Difficult Conditions," "Solving Everyday Problems," and "More Tough Plants" are less useful as sometimes the information is too brief to be of much help in American gardens. For instance, while moles seem to be the only serious pest in English gardens, U.S. gardeners often deal with a variety of animal pests, such as deer, which are not included here. All in all, this is not a bad book, but it just doesn't contain much easy-to-use information for U.S. gardeners. Not recommended. Dale Luchsinger, Milwaukee Area Technical Coll. Lib. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.