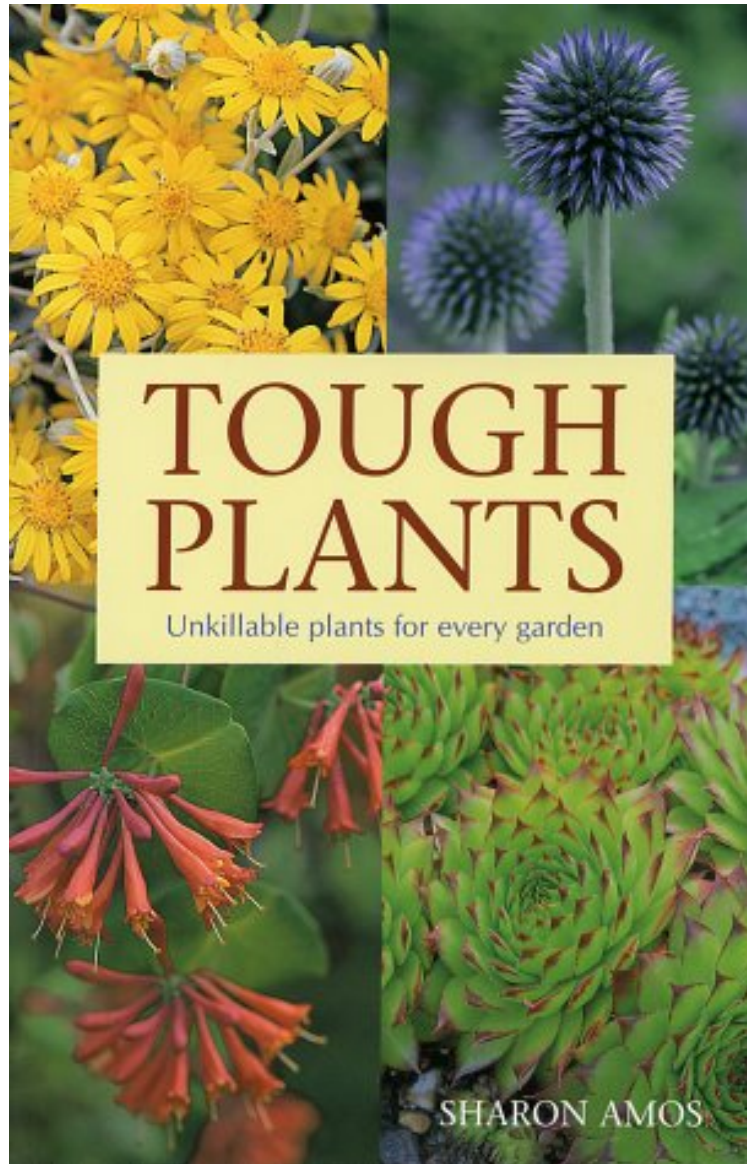


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conditions. Each plant entry has a series of symbols so it is easy to see at a glance if that plant is suitable for your conditions. The photos of each plant are beautiful. The text is easy to read with descriptions and planting and care directions for each plant. The entries are arranged in alphabetical order by the Latin name making it a little hard to find specific plants. This book has suggestions for about every climate in the continental US, and therefore, does not give in-depth guides for very specific climate conditions. I didn't have an idea what to plant, as shown by the dead flowers planted last spring, so I found this book to be a good starting guide. In about 30 minutes time, I found 20 plants that meet my hot, dry, sunny, bad soil conditions in southern Missouri.

Few gardens have perfect growing conditions. Invariably there is a corner that is too shady, windy or dry. The solution: a tough plant! One that will shrug off the worst conditions, often thrive despite them. *Tough Plants* is an easy-to-use, fully illustrated guide to more than 100 virtually unkillable plants for the garden -- whatever the growing conditions. The extended back flap of the book can be used as a quick reference to identify the symbols used throughout the book, identifying whether a plant is ideally suited for a particular situation, microclimate, or soil type. The book features: An extensive directory with more than 100 plants chosen for their ability to survive difficult conditions, while adding beauty and color to the garden Assessing and improving a garden Matching plants to garden conditions Understanding soil and microclimates created by sun, shade, and wind Caring for plants in tough situations Suggestions on where, how and what to plant Dealing with damp or dry conditions, sun or shade Practical tips on getting started, planting, routine care, and weed control.

From Booklist Into every life some rain must fall. Or maybe not. Whether your garden is beset by monsoonal moisture or withering winds, frigid cold or sweltering heat, trying to find plants that will not only survive but actually thrive in such harsh conditions can be a gardener's greatest challenge. Amos has created a superb guide, cataloguing what must be gardening's most desirable plants: those she deems virtually "unkillable." From dry shade to soggy bogs, even the most impossible garden situations have plants ideally suited for them. After thoroughly explaining how to assess specific site conditions and addressing ways to improve problem areas, Amos offers a directory of 100 plants that are among Mother Nature's toughest creations. Fabulous full-color photographs showcasing each plant's beauty accompany Amos' concise descriptions of desirable characteristics, planting conditions, and cultural maintenance. Clever icons quickly impart basic data on problem sites and microclimates appropriate for each plant. With tender advice, Amos reveals tough plants able to rescue frustrated gardeners before they throw in the trowel. Carol Haggas Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved Brown thumbs rejoice ... 100 plants that thrive in rotten conditions: always wet, hot and hard-baked, or dry and shady. (Sherry A. Firing *Globe and Mail* 2003-04-26) A treat to the eyes and good news to the neophyte gardener... The choices are appealing and the information simple and doable. (Mary Ellen Snodgrass *American Reference Books Annual*, Volume 35) An encyclopedia of plants that have certain tough characteristics that make them useful in different situations. (Stuart Robertson *Montreal Gazette* 2003-08-02) Loaded with great color photos and planting information. (Kim Ode *Minneapolis Star Tribune* 2003-12-10) Colorful and instructive in its examination of a select group of plants that can handle a variety of difficult situations. (Elaine Juhl *Chicago Botanical Gardens* 2003-05-11) If we use a book like this and actually put the right plants in the right place, we should have much better results. (Susan Mulvihill *Spokane Spokesman*- 2003-04-18) A superb guide ... with tender advice, Amos reveals tough plants able to rescue frustrated gardeners before they throw in the trowel. (Carol Haggas *Booklist* 2003-04-01) Packed with good advice ... a very sensible book. (Linda Turk *Thunder Bay Chronicle-Journal* 2003-06-22) For any gardener who struggles to keep plants alive. The plants Amos suggests in the book are both stunning in sight and strength. (Susanna Reid *Neil Sperry's Gardens Magazine*) An unusual gardener's guide... A wonderful addition to the enormous world of gardening publications as it focuses specifically on an area of gardening which has been largely ignored. (Lynn C. Westney *E-Streams*) The author has done a fine job of rounding up a selection of truly tough, hard-working, foolproof plants. (Valerie Easton *Seattle Times* 2003-08-27) Makes gardening achievable for even the brownest of thumbs... these plants are survivors that will tough it out where prissy plants fail. (Mary Beth Breckenridge *Indianapolis Star* 2004-04-10) What really makes this book worthwhile is the concise handbook for novice gardeners outlined in the first 40 pages... very accessible and welcoming... worth recommending to customers. (Sarah Martinez *Garden Center Merchandising and Management*) About the Author Sharon Amos is an author and freelance journalist specializing in gardening. Her previous books include *Celebrations*, *Garden Wisdom*, *Pulbrook* and *Gould Flowers and Plants for Free*.