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Sappi Birds of South Africa

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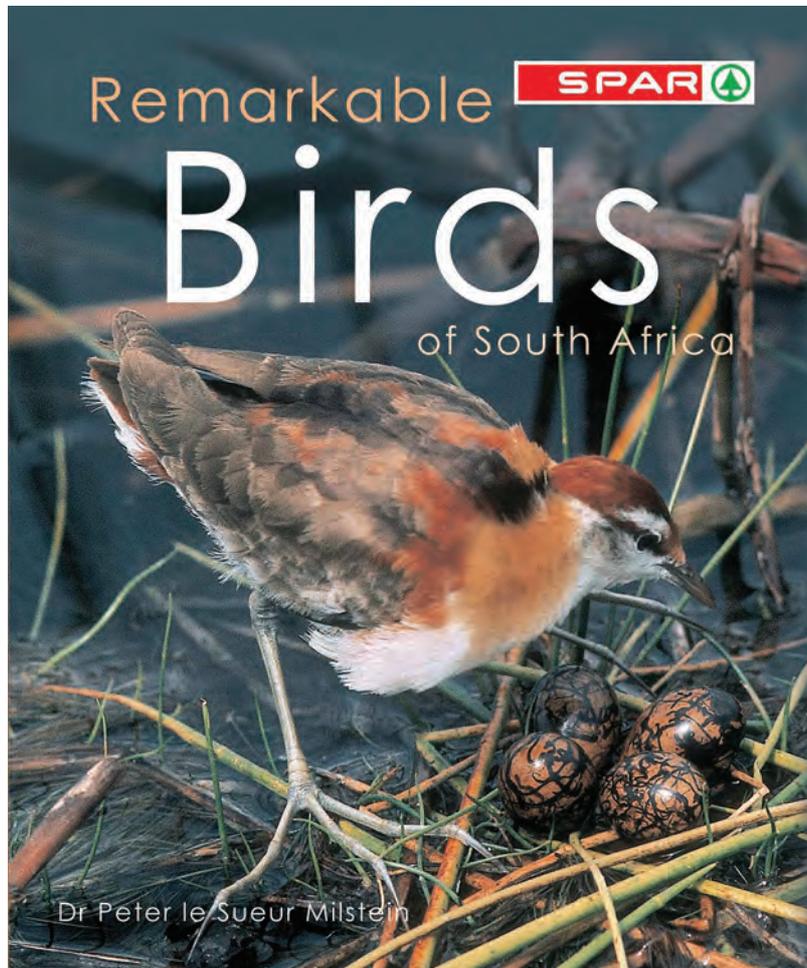
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SAARTJIE KIDSON is a distinguished ornithologist who has made significant contributions to understanding South Africa's avian diversity. She founded the Naboomspruit Bird Club, showcasing her commitment to bird conservation. With a Diploma in Clinical Pathology from Witwatersrand Technical College, Saartjie possesses a strong scientific background.

Remarkable Birds of South Africa

Dr Peter le Sueur
Milstein



ISBN 9781875093588

Remarkable Birds of South Africa provides a fascinating overview of the huge variety of birds found on our doorstep. South Africa is home to over 900 bird species of the nearly 9,000 recorded worldwide. Arranged in taxonomic order by bird family, this book is not intended as a field guide but rather offers birders and aspiring birders insights into our captivating birdlife.

While available field guides focus on identification, this book sheds light on fascinating aspects of bird behaviour and taxonomy, sharing interesting anecdotal information collected over a lifetime dedicated to nature conservation. The author presents previously unpublished field observations and biological insights rarely found in popular bird literature.

Written in an easy, anecdotal style and richly illustrated with more than 450 superb full-colour photographs, this book appeals to a broad range of readers—from armchair birders to dedicated twitchers. As birding continues to be one of the fastest-growing pastimes, this volume makes a valuable addition to available popular literature on South African birds.

The book offers a unique perspective on South African bird families, providing deeper understanding of behaviour, distribution and taxonomy through engaging storytelling and expert observation.

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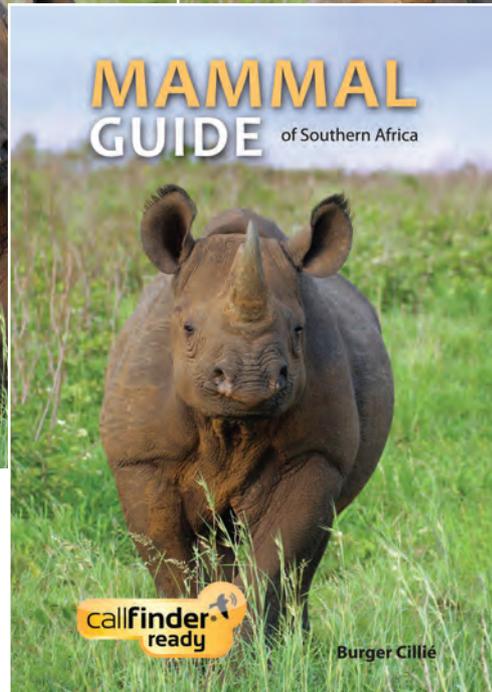
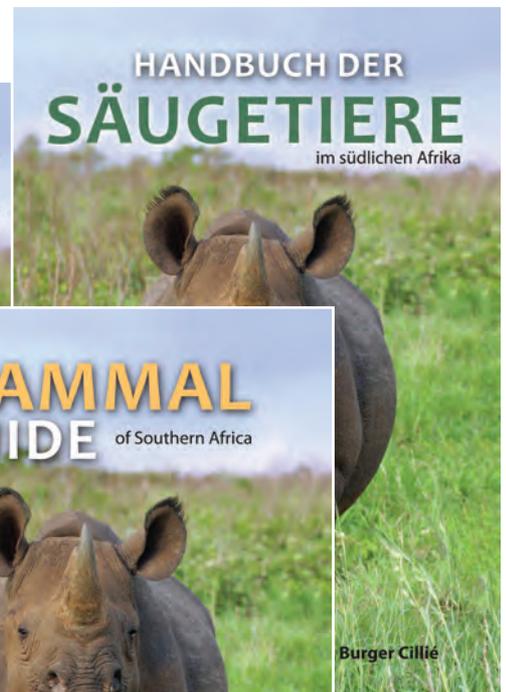
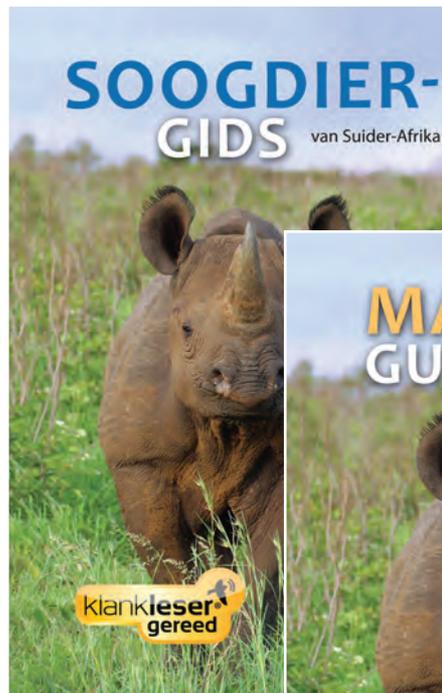
Mammal Guide of Southern Africa

Burger Cillié

Soogdiergids van Suider- Afrika

Handbuch der Säugetiere im südlichen Afrika

ISBN 9781920217471 (AFR)
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9781920217488 (GER)



The new edition of *SOOGDIERGIDS VAN SUIDER-AFRIKA* is one of the most comprehensive guides to the mammals of the southern African sub-region. This essential resource covers 137 mammal species with extensive coverage of smaller mammals and eight occurring marine mammals. Features include an easy-to-use identification key, size sketches showing mammals in proportion to human profiles, and detailed species descriptions covering conservation status, diet, sexual dimorphism, life expectancy, predators, habitat, behaviour and breeding patterns.

More than 200 excellent colour photographs illustrate sexual dimorphism and subspecies variations where applicable. Mammal calls can be heard directly from the field guide using the optional Callfinder®.

Additional features include colour photographs and illustrations of field signs such as droppings and spoor, plus updated distribution maps for all species. *Mammals of Southern Africa* is essential for every tourist, hiker and nature lover, perfect for home reference and visits to National Parks and game reserves.

Also available in English as *Mammal Guide of Southern Africa* and German as *Handbuch der Säugetiere im südlichen Afrika*.

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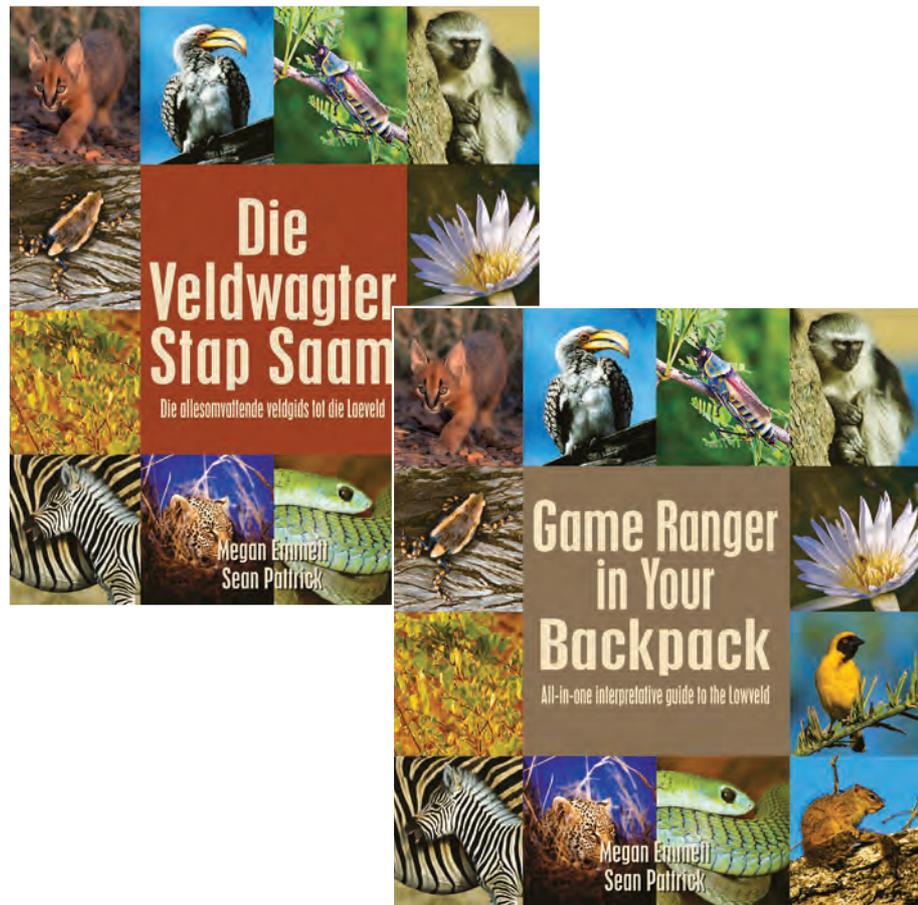
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BURGER CILLIÉ is an experienced naturalist and field guide writer who specialises in southern African wildlife. His expertise in mammalogy and field identification has made him a respected authority on the region's mammal species. Burger's writing career began in 1985 when he identified the need for a photographic mammal field guide. With the help of the late Dr Reay Smithers, his first book *The Mammal Guide of Southern Africa* became a bestseller, published in English, Afrikaans and German. He has also written a pocket mammal guide, co-authored four photographic bird field guides and two park-specific guides of Southern Africa.

Game Ranger in Your Backpack

Megan Emmett &
Sean Patrick

Die Veldwagter Stap Saam



ISBN 9781920217181 (AFR)
9781920217068 (ENG)

Game Ranger in Your Backpack is not a conventional field guide providing dreary detail on plant and bird identification. Rather, this book substitutes the dry precision of personal notes or 'game ranger diaries' with accessible information for visitors to South Africa's Lowveld region.

Making the diverse megafauna/microfauna/invertebrate species encountered in the Lowveld accessible at a glance, this guide has seven handy books piled on the seat beside you. *Game Ranger in Your Backpack*, covers common mammals including impala, bushbabies, civets, mongoose, frogs, reptiles, birds and insects, with hundreds of images to assist with species identification.

It makes the essentials of animal behaviour and common species recognition accessible to amateur naturalists –whether first-time international visitors to the bushveld, local holiday-makers, or aspiring game ranchers. It also sets out the core knowledge that trainee game rangers are expected to master at the outset.

These guides aim to create well-rounded naturalists, to accommodate the varied interests of their clients and the sterling point is to address the commonest subjects in all fields. With this foundational knowledge of the common topics, game rangers can expand their insight in time by delving into the more authoritative reference works. This approach can be applied by any person keen to learn about the bush and *Game Ranger in Your Backpack* will make that process as easy and engaging as possible.

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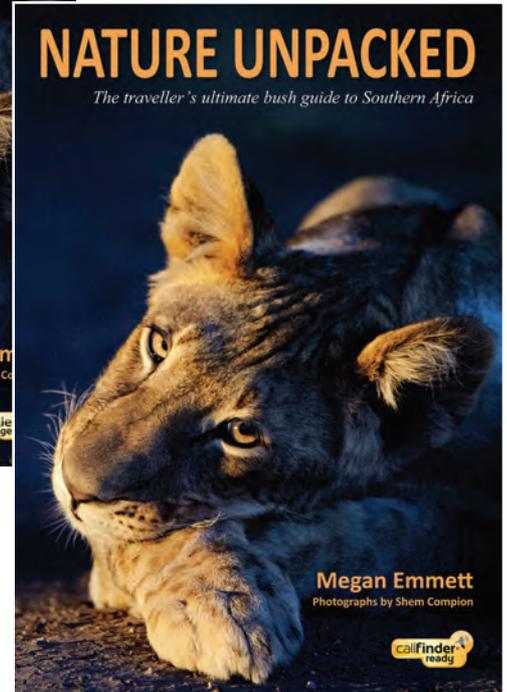
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Nature Unpacked

Megan Emmett & Shem Compion

Jou Natuurgids



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9781920217402 (ENG)

Nature Unpacked is the traveller's ultimate bush guide to southern Africa, offering an all-in-one resource that covers the most common mammals, birds, reptiles, frogs, insects and plants found in the region. This comprehensive guide transforms wildlife observation from mere spotting into deep understanding.

Reader-friendly text and more than 900 stunning photographs reveal what creatures of the African bush do and why they do it, exposing the vital role each plays in nature's complex web. The emphasis is on interpretative and behavioural information rather than dry technical data, making wildlife accessible to everyone from first-time visitors to experienced nature enthusiasts.

A colourful and imaginative layout allows readers to engage visually with content, whilst practical features include distribution maps, animal spoor, icons and Quick ID tables.

The optional Briza Callfinder® lets readers listen to actual calls of mammals, birds, frogs and other animals, plus pronunciation guides for scientific names—bringing the African wilderness to life both visually and audibly.

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MEGAN EMMETT has worked in the wildlife industry for nearly two decades, developing a deep understanding of what naturalists and travellers seek. She served as Senior Producer on the television programme 50|50 for almost a decade and has authored three wildlife books plus a ten-part children's series on wild animals.

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Nature Unpacked with Callfinder®

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Jou Natuurgids met Klankleser®



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Nature Unpacked is the ultimate travelling companion for exploring the southern African bush. Much more than a standard field guide, this comprehensive resource provides fascinating insights into the behaviour and adaptation of mammals, birds, reptiles, frogs, insects, spiders, scorpions, trees and flowering plants commonly found in the region.

With over 900 stunning photographs and engaging, reader-friendly text, this all-in-one guide reveals what creatures do and why they do it. The interpretative approach moves beyond dry facts to offer meaningful understanding of wildlife behaviour. Features include distribution maps, animal spoor, icons and Quick ID tables, all presented in a colourful, visually engaging layout.

The book is Callfinder® Ready, allowing readers to listen to animal calls and scientific name pronunciations using the optional Briza Callfinder®. Whether you're a first-time visitor or seasoned bush enthusiast, this guide transforms wildlife encounters into deeper understanding.

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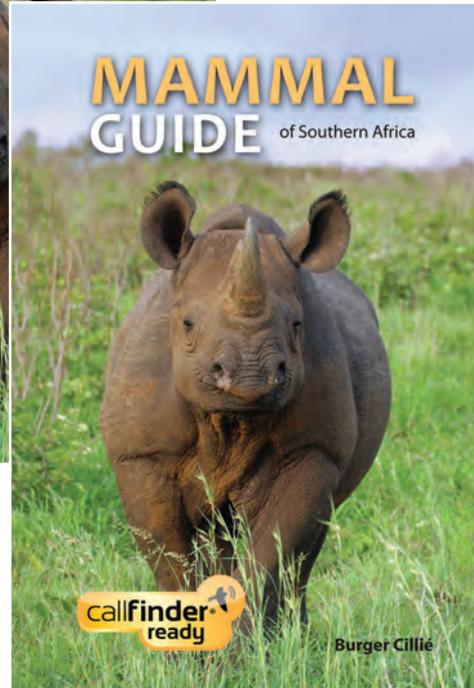
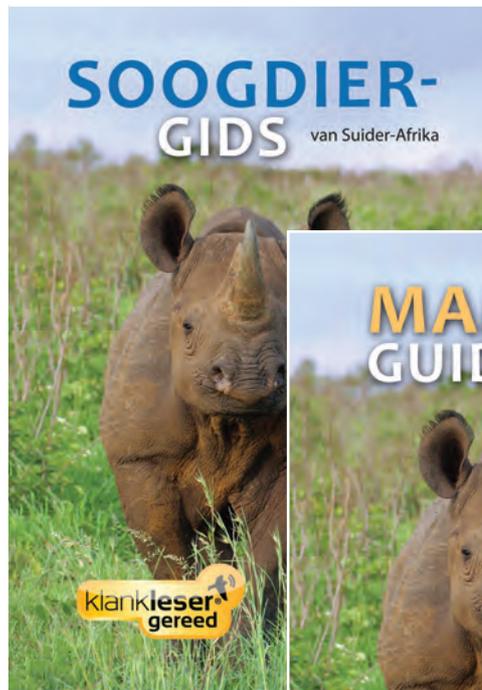
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Mammal Guide of Southern Africa with Callfinder®

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Soogdiergids van Suider-Afrika met Klankleser®



ISBN 0700083330819 (AFR)
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Die nuwe uitgawe van hierdie gewilde veldgids is een van die mees omvattende gidse tot die soogdiere van die suider-Afrikaanse sub-streek. Hierdie noodsaaklike hulpbron dek 137 soogdierspesies met uitgebreide dekking van kleiner soogdiere en agt voorkomende seesoogdiere.

Kenmerke sluit in 'n maklik-om-te-gebruik identifikasie sleutel, groottesketse wat soogdiere in verhouding tot menslike profiele toon, en gedetailleerde spesie beskrywings wat bewaringsstatus, dieet, geslagsdimorfisme, lewensverwagting, roofdiere, habitat, gedrag en teelpatrone dek. Meer as 200 uitstekende kleurfoto's illustreer geslagsdimorfisme en subspezie variasies waar van toepassing.

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Soogdiere van Suider-Afrika is noodsaaklik vir elke toeris, stapper en natuurliefhebber, perfek vir tuisverwysing en besoeke aan Nasionale Parke en wildreserwate.

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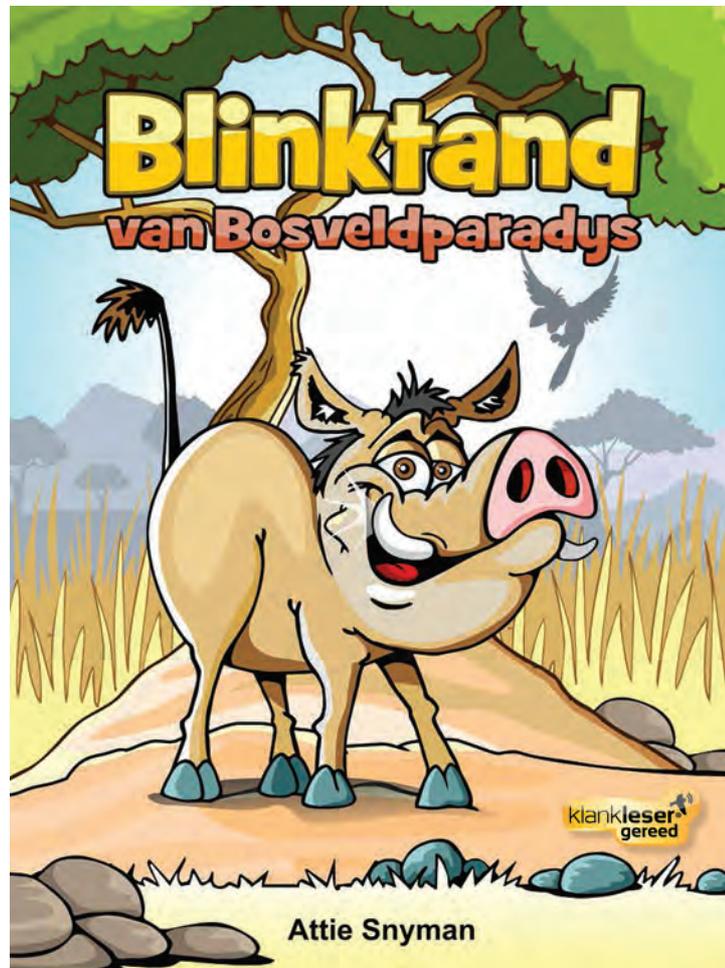
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Burger se skryfloopbaan het in 1985 begin toe hy die behoefte aan 'n fotografiese soogdier veldgids geïdentifiseer het. Met die hulp van die oorlede Dr Reay Smithers het sy eerste boek *The Mammal Guide of Southern Africa* 'n topverkoper geword, gepubliseer in Engels, Afrikaans en Duits. Hy het ook 'n sak-soogdiergids geskryf, was mede-skrywer van vier fotografiese voëlveldgidse en twee park-spesifieke gidse van Suider-Afrika.

Blinktand van Bosveldparadys met Klankleser®

Attie Snyman



ISBN 0700083881496

Blinktand van Bosveldparadys is an engaging adventure story about Blinktand, the biggest, strongest and cleverest warthog ever to live in Bosveldparadys. Young readers experience dangerous events, drama and excitement alongside Blinktand and his cheeky friend Kierie the crow, whilst also enjoying humorous situations that will make readers of all ages laugh out loud.

This unique reading and learning experience offers more than a typical children's storybook. Readers can enjoy it as a traditional story or listen to the complete narration using the Briza Callfinder®, performed by renowned actor Lochner de Kock. Colour photographs and descriptions of the animal species and plants featured in the story provide additional nature education.

Each chapter includes a vocabulary list of new words and expressions to expand language skills, plus comprehension questions to test understanding. The book combines entertainment with education, making it ideal for teachers and young readers. Facts, history, anecdotes and nature knowledge are woven seamlessly into an adventure that celebrates South African wildlife and landscape.

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Compatible with all Callfinder® Ready books, this portable device greatly enhances your learning and entertainment experience. Simply point the Callfinder® at coded areas on the page to hear corresponding audio content - from bird calls and mammal sounds to language pronunciation and storytelling.

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Illustrated Guide to the Wildflowers of Northern South Africa

Gerrit Germishuizen
and Brenda Clarke



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This beautifully illustrated pocket guide has been designed for easy use in the field by botanists, nature lovers, eco-tourists, hikers and farmers. It is useful for on-the-spot identifications, making it unnecessary to collect specimens and in this way depleting the countryside of its beautiful natural heritage. Full-colour illustrations and brief descriptions of 624 species of the most common flowering plants, succulents and shrublets found in the four northern provinces: Limpopo, North-West, Gauteng and Mpumalanga.

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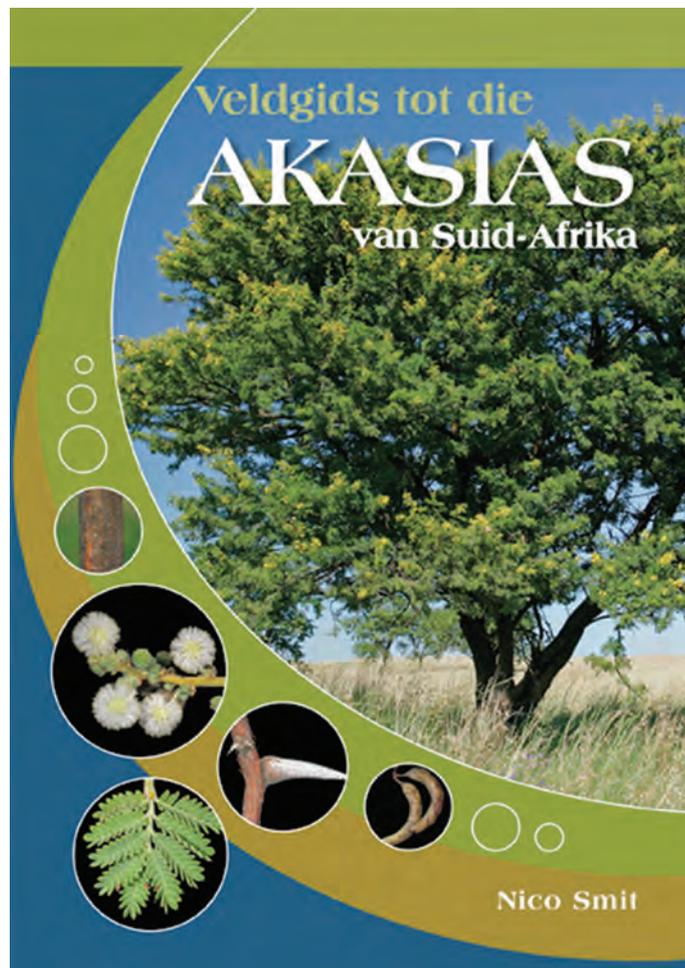
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Veldgids tot die Akasias van Suid-Afrika

Nico Smit



ISBN 9781875093984

Veldgids tot die Akasias van Suid-Afrika focuses on the acacias, commonly known as “thorn trees”—probably the most distinctive and well-known group of trees in Africa. These iconic specimens form one of the largest tree groups and are synonymous with typical African landscapes, making accurate identification essential for botanists, conservationists and nature enthusiasts.

This comprehensive guide provides a complete account of all 48 recognised species, subspecies and varieties of the genus *Acacia* occurring within South Africa’s borders, including four newly described species. Each entry features concise descriptions detailing habitat, general appearance, stems, shoots, thorns, leaves, inflorescence, pods and seeds, supported by distribution maps and excellent colour photographs highlighting crucial identification features.

The book includes names in English and Afrikaans, plus available names in German, Northern Sotho, Southern Sotho, Swati, Tsonga, Tswana, Venda, Xhosa and Zulu, reflecting the cultural significance of these trees across southern Africa’s diverse communities.

This essential reference serves anyone interested in trees or natural heritage, providing authoritative guidance for identifying these quintessentially African species that define much of the continent’s characteristic savanna landscapes.

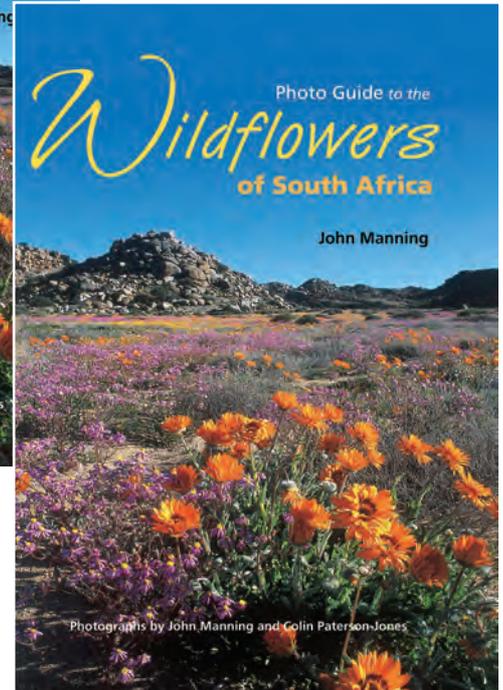
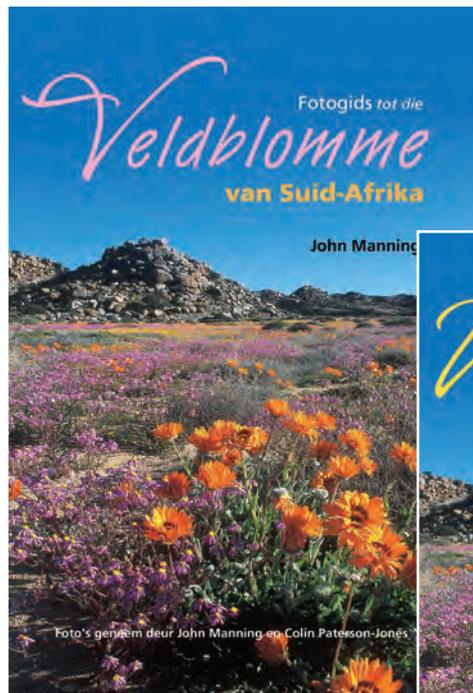
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Fotogids tot die Veldblomme van Suid-Afrika

John Manning

Photo Guide to the Wildflowers of South Africa



ISBN 9781920217013 (AFR)
9781920217020 (ENG)

Photo Guide to the Wildflowers of South Africa (Revised edition) addresses the challenge of South Africa's rich flora of around 19,000 different wildflower species. Most flower guides cover only small areas or include too few species to be useful. This countrywide guide overcomes these deficiencies by carefully selecting nearly 900 of the most common and conspicuous wildflowers occurring in South Africa and the neighbouring countries of Lesotho, Swaziland and Namibia.

The English edition has been fully updated to reflect recent taxonomic changes, and is now available in Afrikaans for the first time as *Fotogids tot die Veldblomme van Suid-Afrika*.

An easy-to-use format divides the country into three main wildflower regions – Grassland and Savannah, Fynbos and Namaqualand – grouping species into each region. Each species is illustrated and described with common and scientific names, habitat, distribution maps, flowering times and local uses. An ingenious quick guide helps narrow options at a glance, whilst similar species are grouped for easy comparison.

Authored and illustrated by professionals with extensive guidebook experience, this is the key to unlocking South Africa's wildflower heritage.

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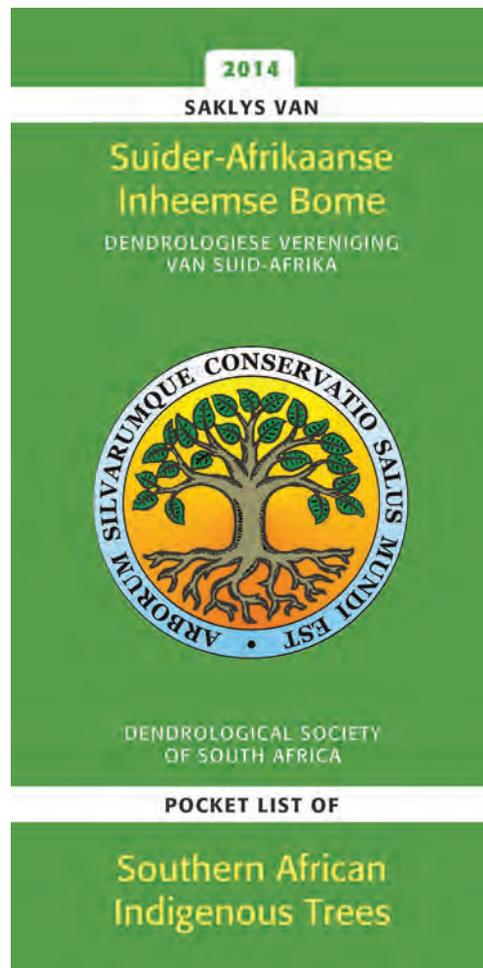


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Pocket List of Southern African Indigenous Trees

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Braam van Wyk,
Erika van den Berg,
Meg Coates Palgrave,
Marie Jordaan



ISBN 9781920217174

Compact, reliable and field-ready – the Pocket List has been the go-to guide for tree lovers since 1966. Now in its fifth edition, it lists 1 666 indigenous trees from South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Eswatini and Lesotho – most with clear illustrations.

This fully updated edition reflects the latest scientific naming and classification. It includes:

- Indices of scientific and common names in multiple local languages
- Standard tree numbers for quick reference
- New and revised distribution maps
- Conservation status icons and CITES trade limitations

Perfect for nature guides, foresters, landowners, students and amateur botanists, this is an essential pocket companion for identifying and learning about the rich tree flora of southern Africa.

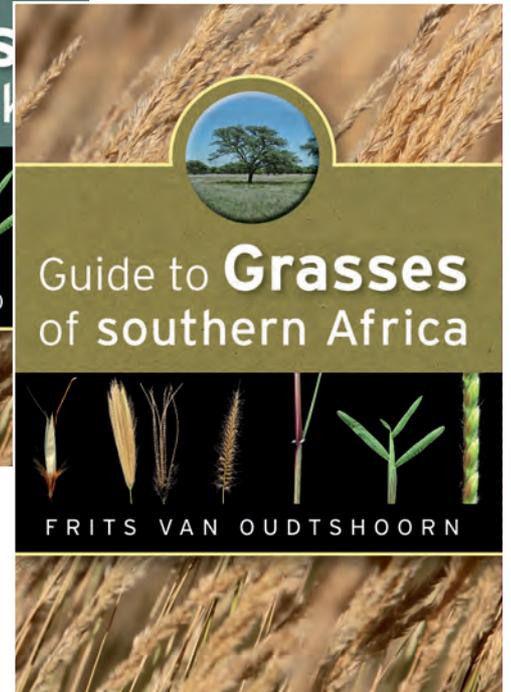
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DENDROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA. Founded in 1970, the Dendrological Society of South Africa is dedicated to the study, appreciation and conservation of southern Africa's trees. Through publications, field trips and education, the society plays a leading role in promoting tree knowledge for professionals and nature lovers alike.

Gids tot Grasse van suider-Afrika

Frits van Oudtshoorn

Guide to Grasses of southern Africa



ISBN 9781920217341 (AFR)
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Guide to Grasses of southern Africa is the definitive field guide to the region's most economically and ecologically important plant family. This comprehensive resource features detailed descriptions and illustrations of 320 key grass species, supported by over 1,000 excellent colour photographs that make identification straightforward even for beginners.

The book includes an easy-to-use identification key, thirteen fully illustrated introductory chapters covering grass biology and ecology, and common names in indigenous languages. Special icons help readers quickly access specific information, making this guide indispensable for farmers, land managers, botanists, and nature enthusiasts.

Grasses form the backbone of southern Africa's agricultural economy and natural ecosystems, from maize and wheat crops to the vast grasslands that sustain wildlife and livestock. Understanding grass identification is crucial for effective land management, grazing strategies, and ecological conservation. This authoritative guide makes expert knowledge accessible to everyone working with or studying southern Africa's diverse grasslands.

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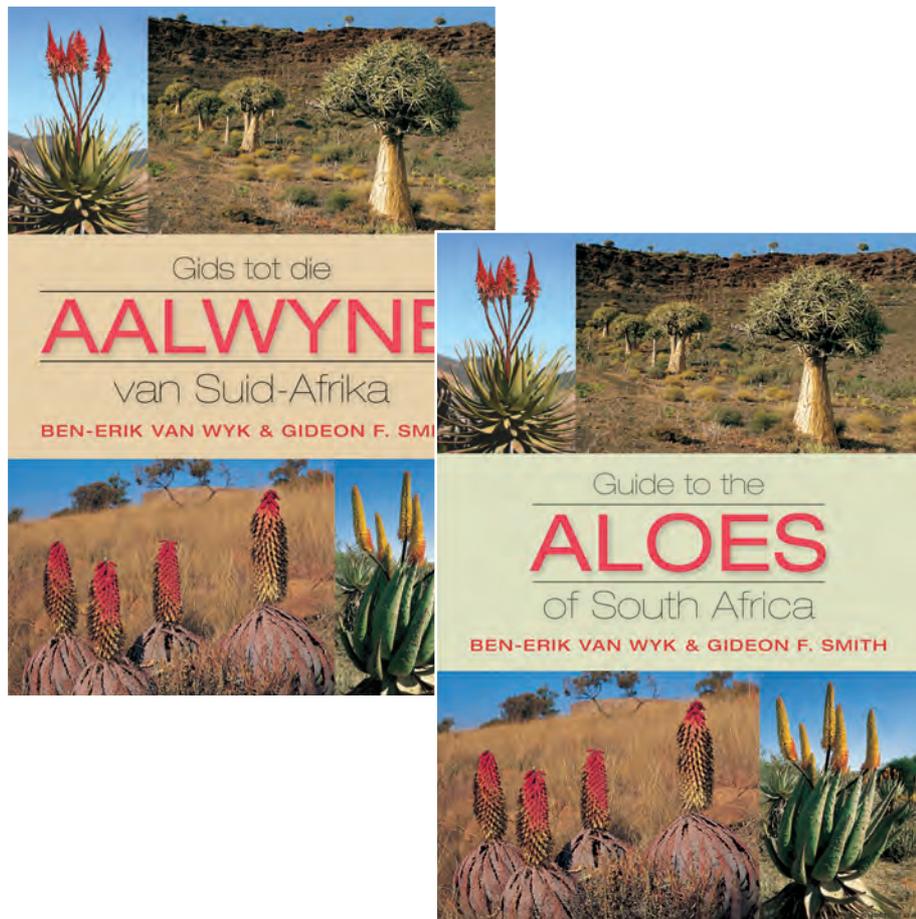


FRITS VAN OUDTSHOORN developed his passion for grasses and nature during his childhood on a farm. He currently manages a training company called Africa Land-use Training and facilitates various short courses in agriculture and environmental management. Van Oudtshoorn has extensive experience in sustainable natural resource management and holds a master's degree in nature conservation, bringing both practical farming knowledge and scientific expertise to grass identification and land management.

Gids tot die Aalwyne van Suid-Afrika

Ben-Erik van Wyk,
Gideon Smith

Guide to the Aloes of South Africa



ISBN 9781920217396 (AFR)
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Guide to the Aloes of South Africa is a beautifully illustrated full-colour guide that makes identifying aloes easy for both laypeople and scientists in field and garden settings. This updated and expanded third edition reflects the latest scientific findings and provides comprehensive coverage of South Africa's remarkable aloe diversity.

The guide features detailed descriptions of all 153 currently recognised South African aloe species, including distinguishing features, flowering periods, habitat and distribution, conservation status, and origins of scientific and common names. Cultivation notes and traditional uses add practical value for gardeners and researchers alike.

More than 400 colour photographs showcase habitat, growth forms, and close-up details of flowers and leaves, supported by distribution maps for accurate identification. An easy-to-use identification system divides aloes into 12 groups based mainly on growth habit, making species determination straightforward.

Introductory chapters explore aloe-like plants, medicinal and cosmetic uses, conservation, cultivation and propagation techniques, plus gardening and landscaping applications. Coverage includes pests, diseases, modern hybrids and cultivars. This remarkable resource is essential for plant lovers, gardeners, botanists and anyone fascinated by these iconic African succulents.

Also available in Afrikaans as *Gids tot die Aalwyne van Suid-Afrika*.

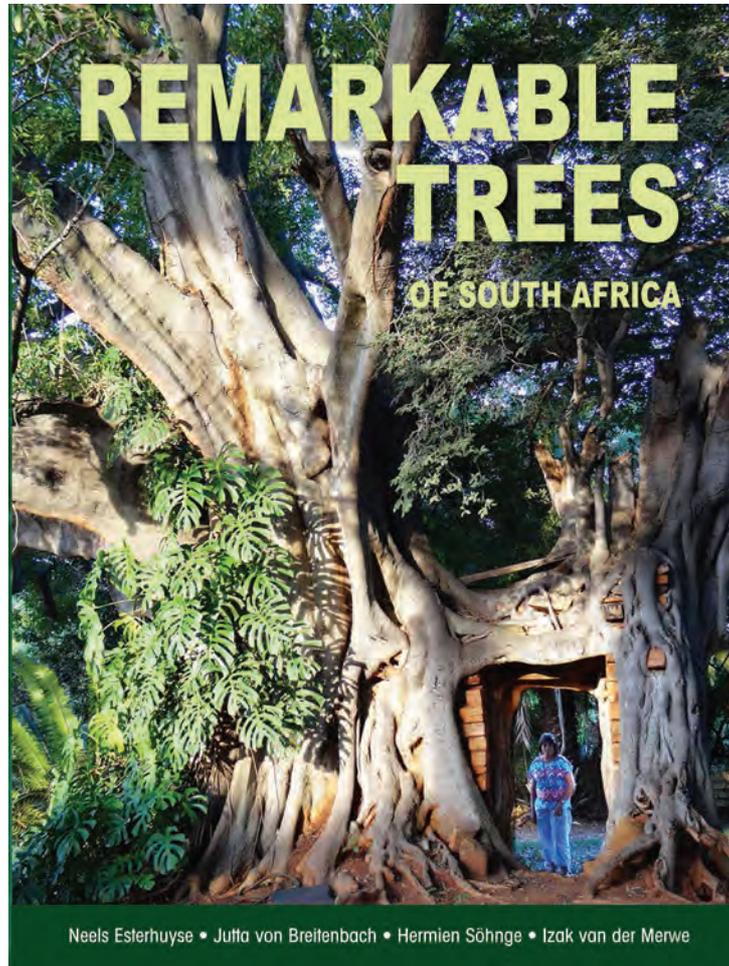
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Remarkable Trees of South Africa

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Remarkable Trees of South Africa celebrates the country's extraordinary tree heritage in a stunning coffee-table format. This unique reference work journeys into the fascinating world of trees, exploring specimens that have witnessed major historical events or achieved remarkable size and age. Written in an engaging, anecdotal style, the authors reveal the historical, cultural and economic significance of South Africa's most notable trees.

The book features detailed coverage of Champion Trees with the latest standardised measurements, alongside accounts of major tree families and an overview of trees as monuments in botanical gardens, parks and arboreta. Facts, history, anecdotes and myths about local trees are presented in an informative yet entertaining manner.

Now in its second edition with complete updates and over 200 full-colour photographs throughout, this comprehensive treatment covers both indigenous and exotic trees of outstanding value. The book strikes a perfect balance between scientific accuracy and readability, making it essential for tree lovers, history enthusiasts, armchair travellers and anyone interested in preserving natural heritage.

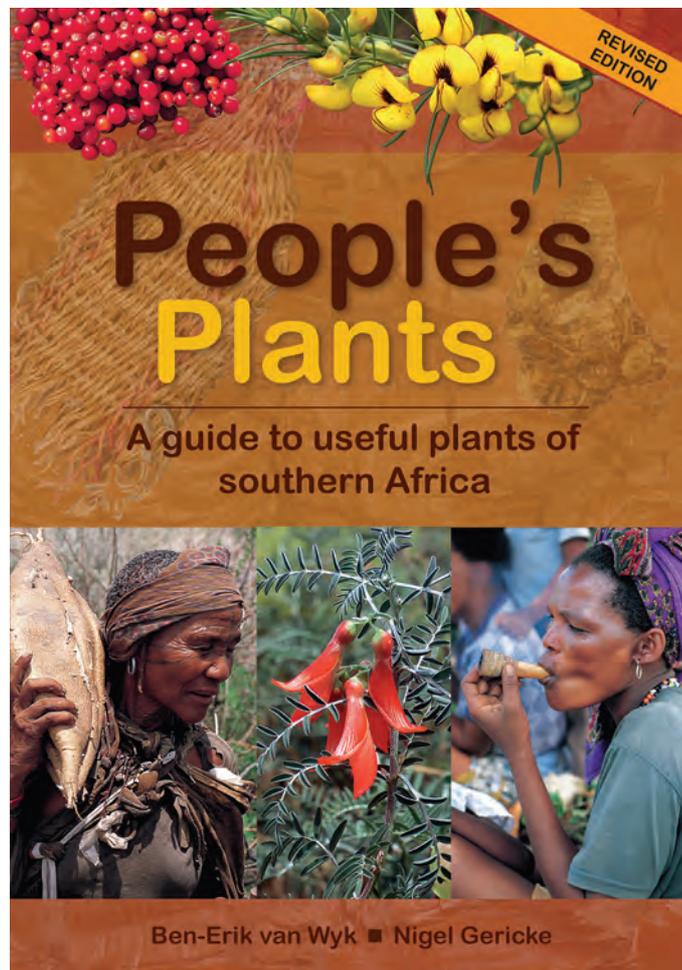
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People's Plants

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People's Plants is a scientific review of the most important useful plants of southern Africa and remains the first and only fully illustrated ethnobotanical reference source for the region. This fully updated and expanded second edition describes traditional and contemporary uses of more than 700 plants across 20 comprehensive chapters, each addressing specific categories of plant use.

The book covers food and drink (cereals, seeds, fruits, vegetables, beverages), health and beauty (medicines, tonics, cosmetics, dental care), and skills and crafts (hunting tools, dyes, timbers, basketry, thatching). Plants and plant-derived products of special cultural or commercial significance are highlighted, supported by nearly 900 excellent photographs showing plants, products and traditional usage methods.

Numerous original anecdotes enrich the scientific content, whilst key references provide pathways for further research. This fascinating resource is essential for anyone interested in useful plants, new crop development, medicinal plants, product innovation, ecotourism, rural development, traditional crafts, African culture, ethnobotany and botany. The authors champion developing exceptional quality products from indigenous plants to benefit regional and global markets through sustainable eco-entrepreneurship.

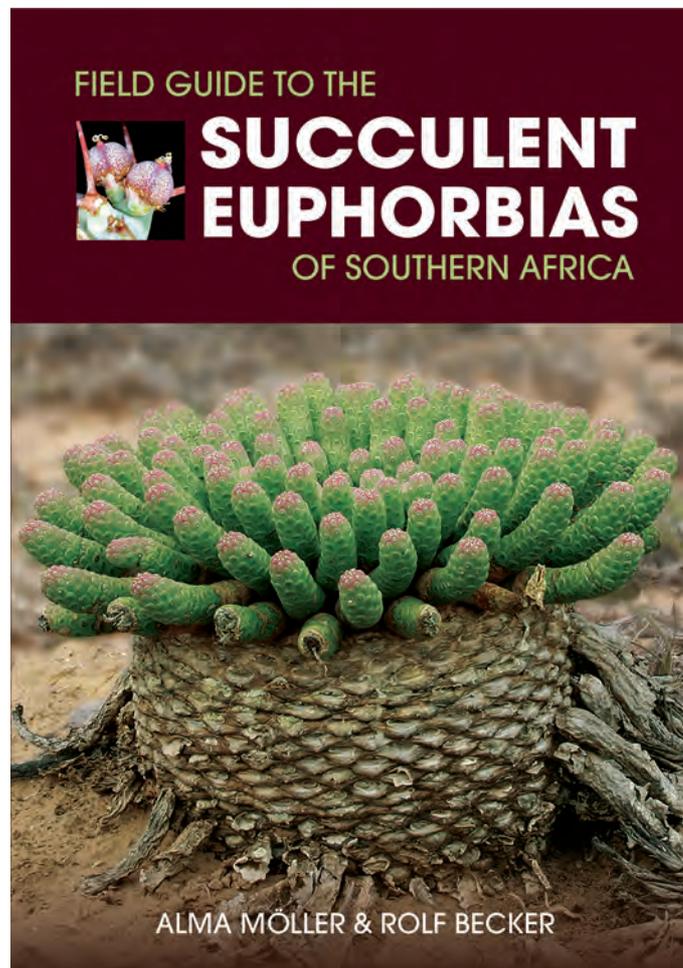
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Field Guide to the Succulent Euphorbias of Southern Africa

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Field Guide to the Succulent Euphorbias of Southern Africa is a pioneer publication that makes identifying these fascinating plants accessible to laypeople and flora enthusiasts alike. This beautifully illustrated, full-colour identification guide features detailed descriptions of 224 species, emphasising distinguishing features, habitat, distribution maps, conservation status, and scientific and common names.

Similar-looking species are intelligently grouped into 18 morphological categories based on easily recognisable characteristics, with additional groups for previously undescribed and uncertain species. More than 870 full-colour photographs and illustrations showcase the remarkable diversity of southern Africa's succulent euphorbias, from tiny groundcover species to imposing tree-like giants.

Introductory chapters provide essential information on species identification, cultivation techniques, gardening applications, medicinal uses, and invasive species management. The comprehensive approach includes taxonomic classification, glossary, and detailed indices to scientific and common names. This authoritative guide serves botanists, horticulturalists, conservationists and anyone fascinated by these architecturally striking plants that have adapted brilliantly to Africa's challenging environments through their succulent strategies.

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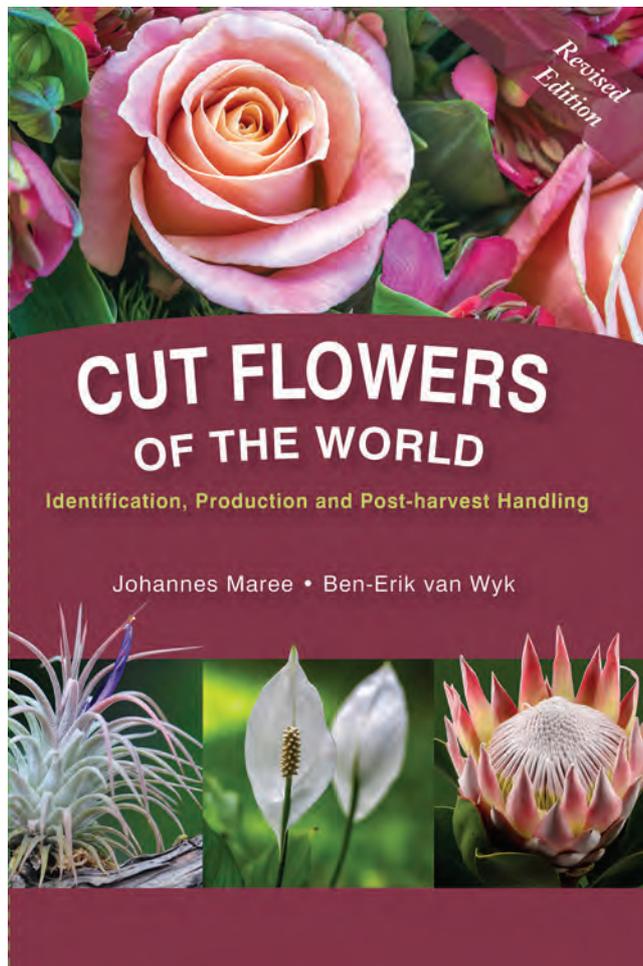
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Cut Flowers of the World

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Cut Flowers of the World is a comprehensive full-colour photographic guide that describes and illustrates more than 330 different species of commercially important flowers, foliage and potted flowers. This authoritative reference emphasises flowers commonly used in the cut flower industry, providing essential guidance on selection and handling for optimal results.

Each entry includes detailed plant descriptions, geographical origins, historical overviews, cultivation requirements, cultivar information, and crucial properties such as colours, scent and vase life. Quality criteria and proper care instructions ensure successful flower handling from harvest to display. More than 700 excellent full-colour photographs showcase the beauty, colour variation and diversity of featured species.

Introductory chapters cover fundamental aspects including cultivation methods, harvesting and shipping techniques, cultivar development, and modern marketing trends—particularly the role of colour in customer preferences. Comprehensive indexes, specialist terminology glossary and reference lists enhance the book's practical value. This essential reference guide serves florists, retailers, wholesalers and anyone involved in the international cut flower trade, combining scientific accuracy with commercial practicality.

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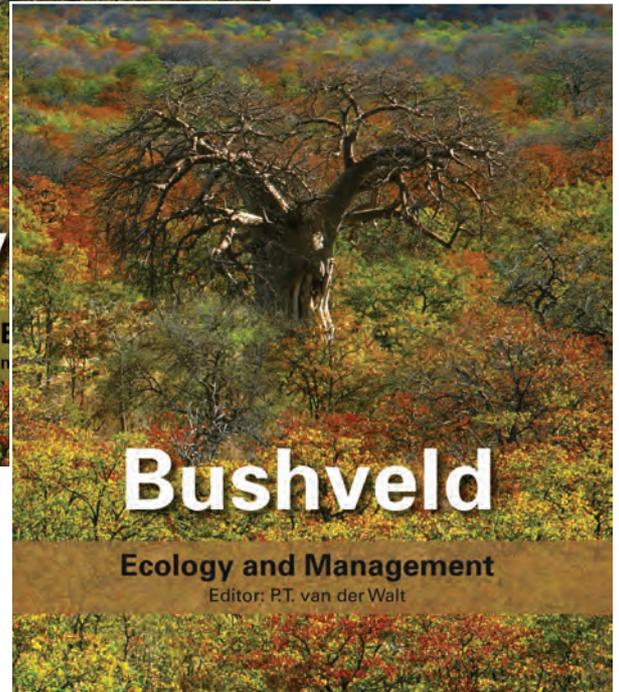
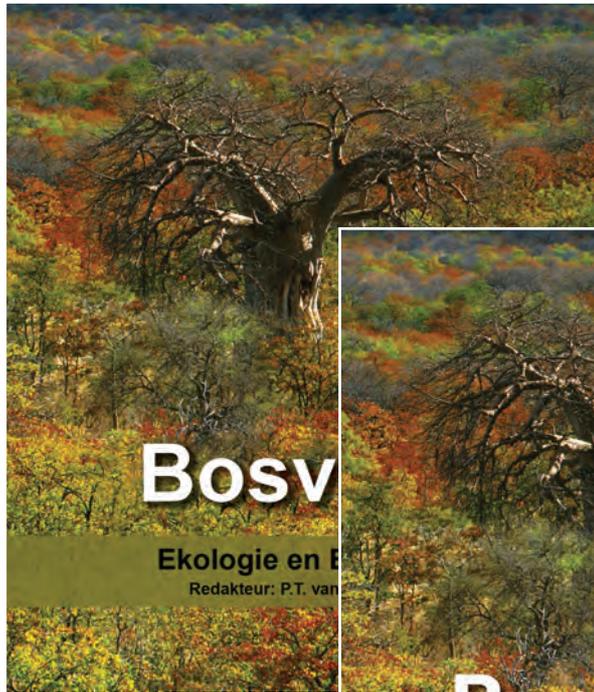
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Bushveld – Ecology and Management

P.T. van der Walt

Bosveld – Ekologie en Bestuur



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Bushveld – Ecology and Management brings together 17 of South Africa's most prominent bush experts to share their knowledge about conserving and managing this precious biotreasure. The Bushveld represents a complex ecosystem where approximately 5,700 plant species contribute to the pulsing rhythm and dynamics of sweet, sour, mixed or arid woodlands that define much of southern Africa's character.

Despite attracting one and a half million visitors annually who find enormous pleasure in this remarkable environment, the Bushveld is deteriorating rapidly due to human activities and mismanagement. This comprehensive guide advocates for more sensitive and proficient approaches to Bushveld utilisation, providing essential knowledge for sustainable stewardship.

The book chronicles conservation and management strategies, exploring geology and soils, veld and plant communities, timber resources and ancient trees, historical survival techniques and traditional land use, modern tourism developments, and practical guidance for farm acquisition. Written in a clear and colourful style, this wonderful reading matter serves conservators, farmers, students and every bush lover.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Bosveld – Ekologie en Bestuur*), this special field guide to the beloved Bushveld is essential for every resident and visitor seeking to understand and protect this irreplaceable ecosystem.

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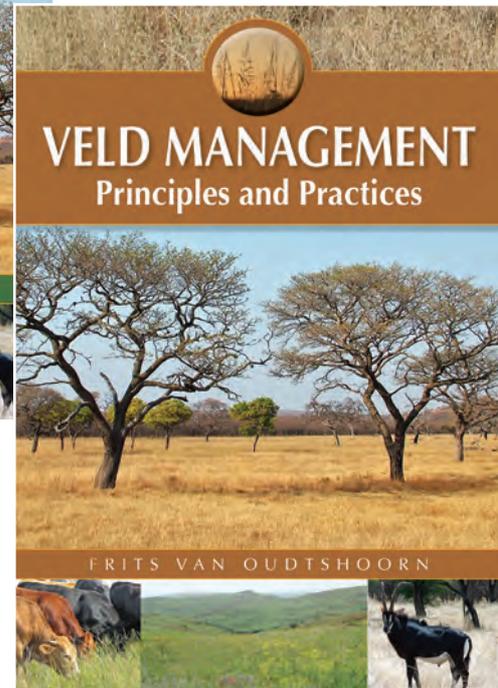
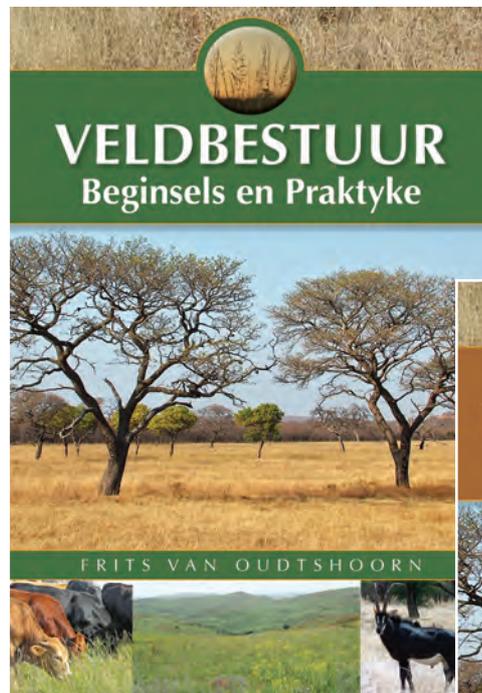


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Veld Management – Principles and Practices

Frits van Oudtshoorn

Veldbestuur – Beginsels en Praktyke



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Veld makes up around 80% of South Africa's land – and how we manage it matters. This practical, easy-to-understand guide offers land users the essential knowledge to care for this natural resource responsibly.

From the basics of veld ecology to hands-on practices, this accessible book covers:

- Key ecological principles
- Soil, water and vegetation management
- Grazing systems, fire management, and invasive plant control
- Legal frameworks and conservation planning

Over 380 full-colour photos and diagrams bring concepts to life, making this a must-have tool for farmers, game ranchers, students and anyone working with the land.

Rooted in science but written for real-world application, this book simplifies a technical subject with clarity and purpose.

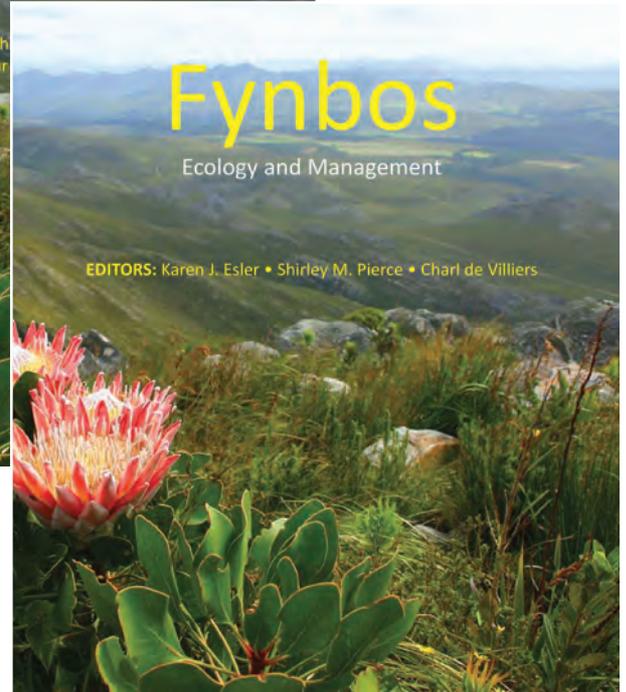
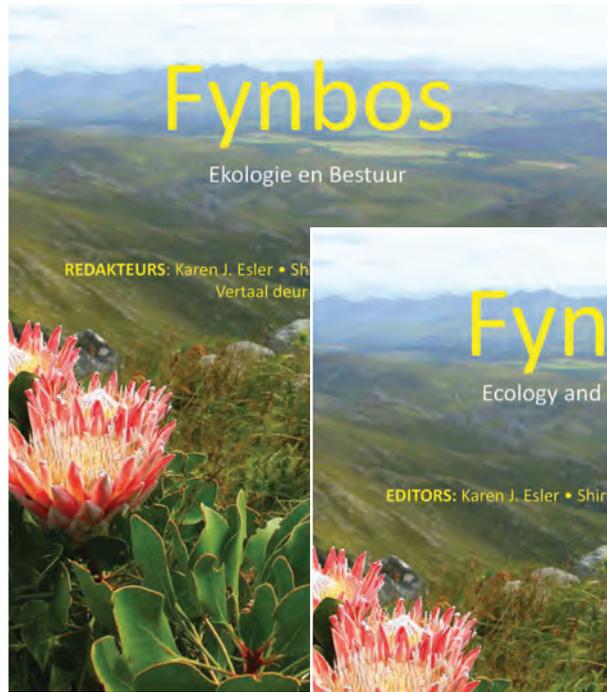
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Fynbos – Ecology and Management

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Fynbos – Ekologie en Bestuur



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Fynbos – Ecology and Management explores one of the most spectacularly diverse places on Earth. The fynbos region represents arguably the world's hottest biodiversity hotspot, with extraordinary diversity extending from insects to freshwater and marine species across the Cape's unique ecosystems.

This confusingly heterogeneous landscape encompasses diverse fine-scale habitats from lowland wetlands to mountain seeps, with unique soil, nutrient, aspect and rainfall conditions that combine to sustain remarkable biodiversity. As fire-adapted vegetation, fynbos requires regular burning for rejuvenation. Without fire, the system would thicken, allow tree invasion and exclude precious fire-liberated nutrients essential for ecosystem health.

More than 250 photographs illustrate this complex ecosystem, whilst expert contributors from the Fynbos Forum community share current scientific knowledge and best-practice management approaches. This practical, accessible guide serves visitors, residents, managers and landowners in the Fynbos Biome, helping them appreciate and sustainably manage this globally significant natural treasure.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Fynbos – Ekologie en Bestuur*), this essential reference transforms complex ecological science into actionable management strategies.

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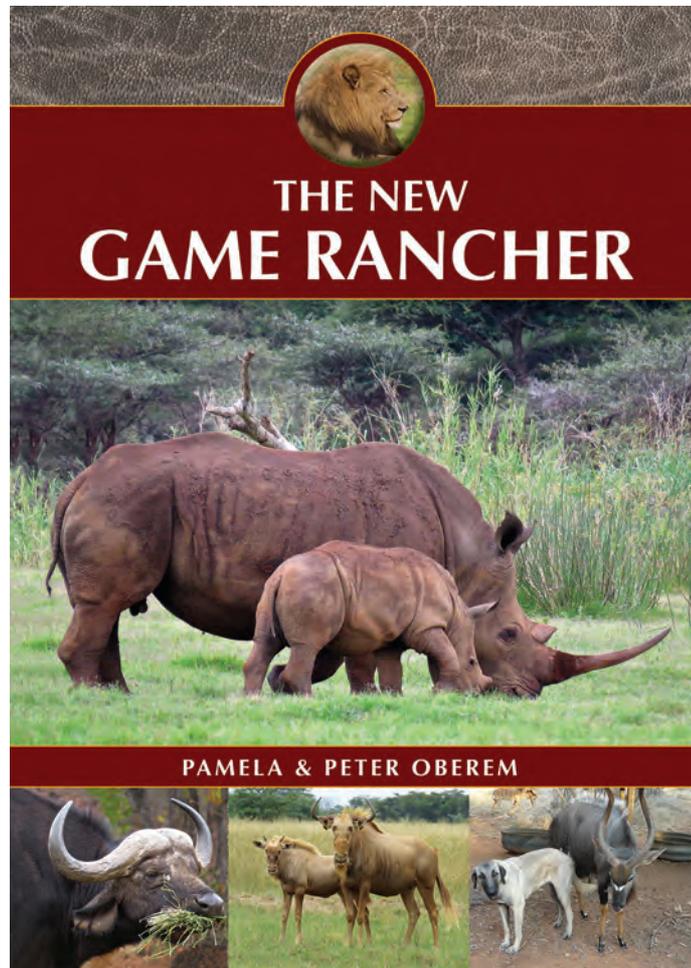
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The New Game Rancher

Pamela & Peter Oberem



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The New Game Rancher is a succinct guide to the complete spectrum of game ranching in South Africa, illustrated with more than 400 full-colour photographs, line drawings and illustrations. This comprehensive collection features contributions from zoologists, ecologists, geneticists, veterinarians, academics, conservationists and experienced game ranchers.

The book covers the four pillars of game ranching—breeding, ecotourism, hunting and meat production—alongside essential topics including ecosystems, game management, veld management, planning, nutrition, predator management and animal capture. Detailed species accounts examine the main animals farmed by game ranchers, from large, medium and small antelope to buffalo, zebra, rhino, crocodiles and ostriches, explaining the specific management approaches for each group.

A dedicated chapter addresses diseases, parasites and poisonings affecting game species. This authoritative resource is ideal for anyone interested in game farming, from established game ranchers to those considering entering the business. The expert guidance transforms complex wildlife management into accessible, practical knowledge for successful game ranching operations.

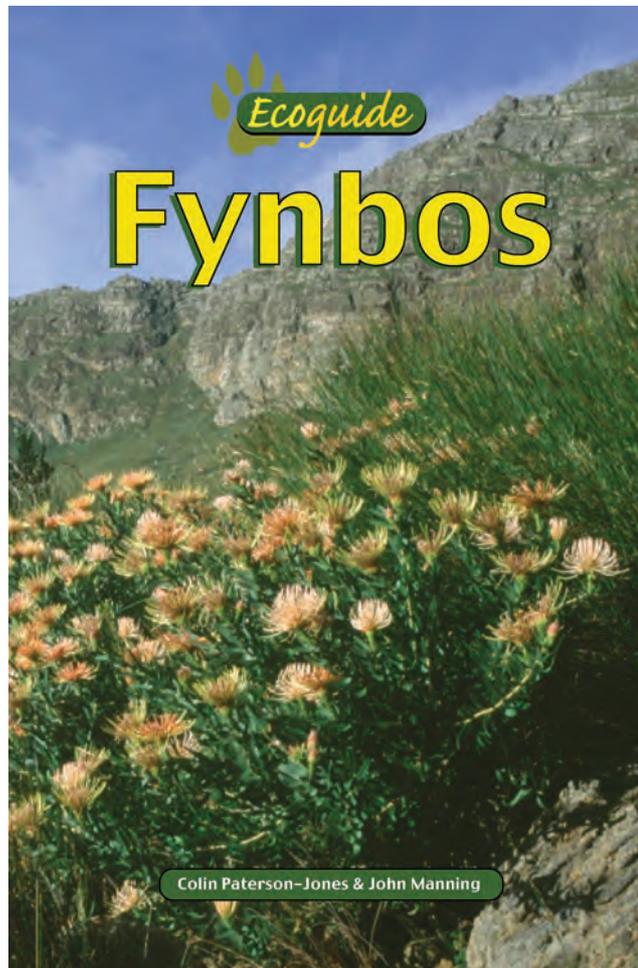
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Ecoguide: Fynbos

Colin Paterson-Jones
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Ecoguide: Fynbos is an essential guide to one of the world's most remarkable botanical treasures. The Cape Fold Mountains at Africa's southern tip, together with their valleys and coastal plains, are home to the Cape Floral Region – one of only six Floral Kingdoms worldwide. More than 9,000 different plant species grow naturally in this small area, with nearly 70% found nowhere else on Earth.

This comprehensive guide covers more than 400 wildflowers most likely to attract visitors' attention. Each species is illustrated and described with information on common and scientific names, habitat, distribution maps, flowering times and local uses. Introductory chapters provide background on the Cape Floral Region and the birds, insects, spiders, reptiles and mammals that also call this area home.

An easy-to-use guide aimed at local and international visitors to the southwestern Cape – one of South Africa's premium tourist destinations. Similar species are placed together to aid comparison, whilst concise text highlights their differences. An ingenious quick guide helps readers identify plants at a glance.

A comprehensive travel adviser provides information on National Parks, nature reserves and prime flower viewing destinations, complete with contact details and recommended routes to help visitors maximise their experience.

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COLIN PATERSON-JONES and **JOHN MANNING** are respected botanists specialising in South African flora. Their combined expertise in the Cape Floral Region makes them authoritative guides to this extraordinary botanical kingdom, bringing years of field experience and scientific knowledge to this accessible guide for nature enthusiasts and tourists alike.

Ecoguide: South African Destinations

August Sycholt

Ekogids: Suid- Afrikaanse Bestemmings



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Ecoguide: South African Destinations is more than just a travel guide to South Africa—“the world in one country” as it’s often called. This comprehensive guide presents both overseas visitors and local tourists with extensive possibilities to experience the extraordinary beauty and hospitality synonymous with South Africa.

South Africa offers unlimited horizons where travellers can walk through wilderness largely untouched through millennia, listen to lions roar, watch sunsets over beautiful cities, and observe gold extraction from deep underground—the gold that created eGoli, Johannesburg, economic heart of the country built on rocks as old as Earth itself.

This diverse land matches its people’s diversity. The guide introduces readers to South African cultures and traditions, thoroughly explains the country’s ecoregions, and highlights major nature reserves and parks. For adrenalin seekers, it reveals the best locations for bungee jumping, frog jumping, eco-train rides and restaurants serving traditional dishes from exotic to bizarre.

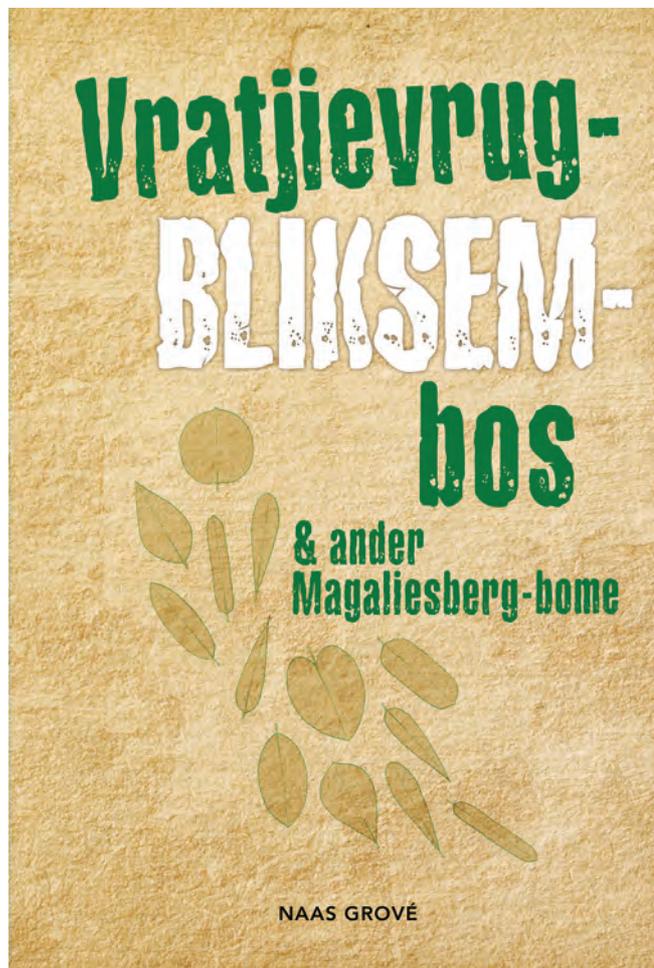
Having over 435 full-colour photographs, detailed maps showing routes, biome regions, national parks and World Heritage Sites, plus essential contact details makes this essential for all nature lovers interested in South Africa’s eco-wonders. Available in English, Afrikaans and German.

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Vratjievrug- bliksembos en ander Magaliesberg- bome

Naas Grové



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Vratjievrugbliksembos en ander Magaliesbergbome is the first complete regional guide to the indigenous trees found in the Magaliesberg region. This comprehensive resource describes more than 170 native tree species organised according to FSA number, featuring family and genus descriptions alongside origins and explanations of scientific names and conservation status.

The book preserves rich linguistic and cultural heritage through Afrikaans regional names, whilst providing tree names in Afrikaans, English and, where applicable, Setswana or isiZulu. More than 350 colour photographs aid identification, supported by fascinating tree stories, ecological information and practical advice on the use and cultivation of indigenous trees.

Updated scientific and common names ensure current accuracy, whilst interesting anecdotes and practical tips make this guide both informative and engaging. This essential reference serves botanists, conservationists, gardeners and anyone interested in the remarkable tree diversity of one of South Africa's most botanically significant regions. The Magaliesberg's unique position as a meeting point between different biomes creates exceptional tree diversity deserving dedicated documentation.

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A site-by-site guide to trees in the Kruger National Park

Marissa Greeff

Bome van plek tot plek in die Nasionale Krugerwildtuin



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A Site-by-Site Guide to Trees in the Kruger National Park is the perfect companion for visitors who have ever wondered “what tree is that?” whilst exploring Africa’s most famous game reserve. Virtually every Kruger visitor becomes a nature enthusiast once their Big Five hunger has been satisfied, and this book transforms casual curiosity into deeper understanding.

Rather than a traditional field guide, this innovative approach organises 51 tree species around specific locations—rest camps, picnic sites and bird hides—making tree identification effortless during visits. Small maps indicate whether trees are found in the southern, central or northern regions, whilst user-friendly descriptions and special anecdotes provide fascinating insights into both the trees themselves and the park’s rich history.

More than 220 beautiful full-colour photographs showcase the magnificence of Kruger’s trees, from common roadside specimens to remarkable giants that have witnessed decades of conservation history. This glorious travelling companion introduces readers to the characteristics of specific trees as they journey from rest camp to picnic site, making it an essential addition to any game reserve library.

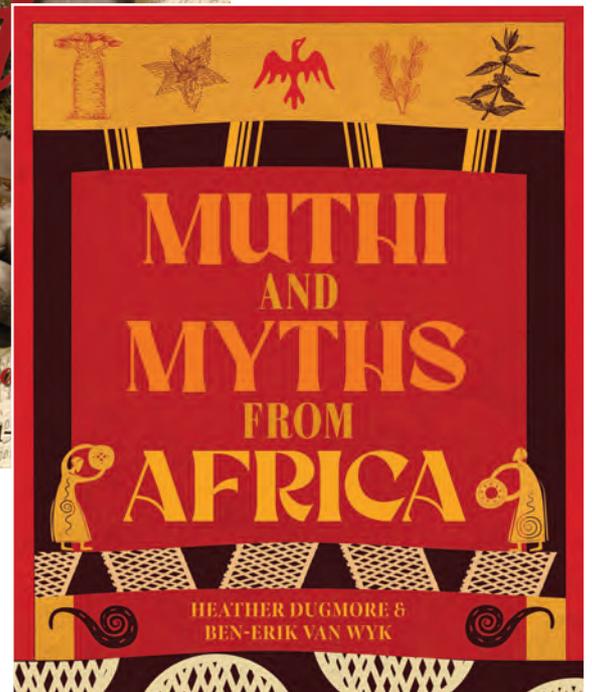
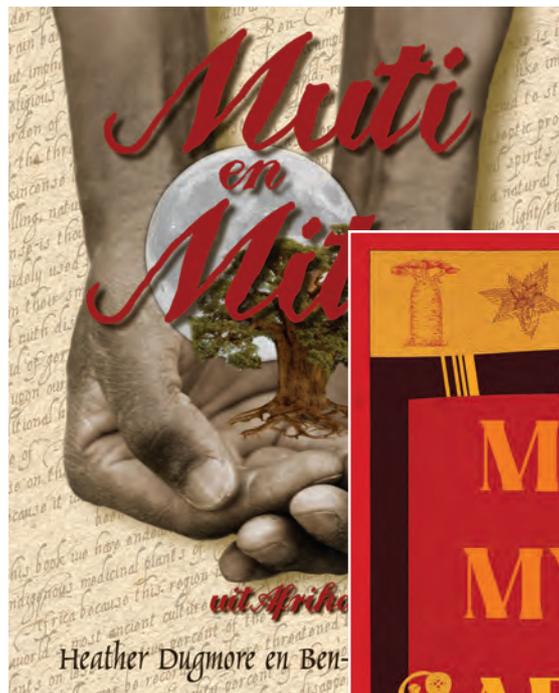
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Muthi and Myths from Africa

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Muti en Mites uit Afrika



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Muthi and Myths from Africa presents fifty-two compelling tales leading readers on a year-long journey of discovery across the African continent, tracking the ancient grail of traditional African medicine or muthi. With one story for each week of the year, this richly illustrated book captures many stories from Africa's oral tradition, committed to paper for the first time.

The ancient African people were the first aromatherapists, innately understanding plants' effects on body, mind and soul. Across thousands of years, countless African lineages have used plant medicines for healing, always with ancestral blessings. This book endeavours to illuminate the deep history of fifty-two indigenous medicinal plants before this precious knowledge is lost forever.

Focusing on Southern Africa—a hotspot of cultural and botanical diversity—the authors hope readers will experience Africa's magnetism, mystery and wisdom. Unlike the recorded healing knowledge of India or China, little of Africa's healing history has been documented, making this collection particularly valuable.

Through these stories about prominent indigenous plant cures, readers gain deeper understanding of themselves and humanity whilst preserving irreplaceable traditional knowledge.

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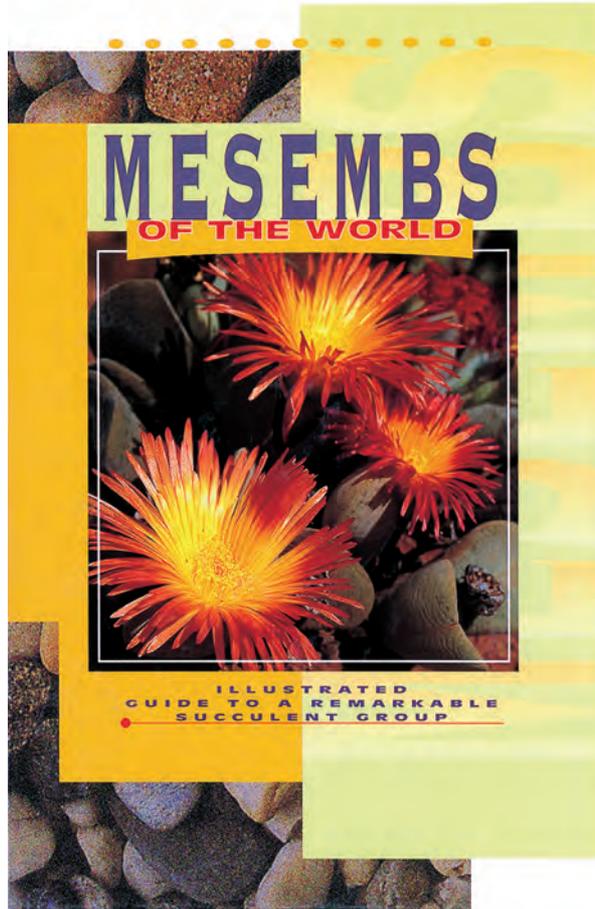
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Mesembs of the World

Gideon Smith



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Mesembs of the World is a richly illustrated celebration of one of the most enchanting plant groups on earth. From stone-like succulents the size of wheat grains to robust shrubs as big as a rhino, mesembs (members of the Aizoaceae family) have long fascinated botanists, gardeners and travellers alike. This accessible guide showcases all 123 recognised genera, grouped for easy identification by shared features.

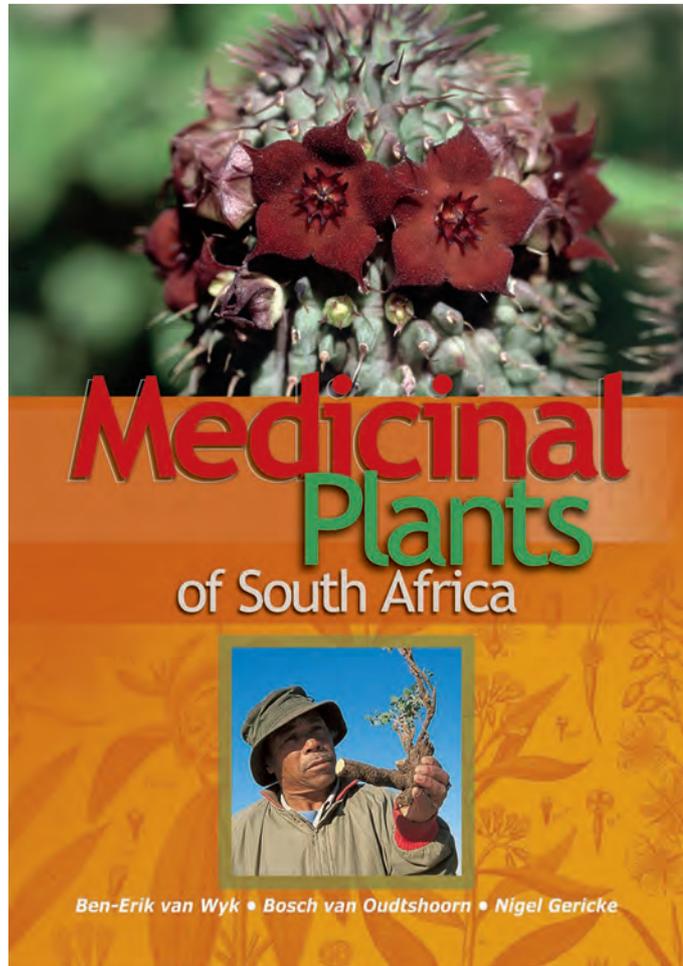
With 650 vibrant colour photographs, distribution maps and clear descriptions, the book explores mesemb ecology, conservation, cultivation and cultural uses. Whether you're a plant enthusiast, succulent collector or desert wanderer, this is an essential reference –beautifully produced and grounded in science but written for wide appeal. A standout gift for gardeners and nature lovers.

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Medicinal Plants of South Africa

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& Nigel Gericke



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A trusted guide to the healing power of plants, *Medicinal Plants of South Africa* explores more than 350 of the most widely used and historically significant species. Each entry includes origin, uses, preparation, dosage, active ingredients, and up-to-date regulatory status. Over 800 full-colour photos help identify plants at a glance.

The book also covers global healing traditions, natural treatments for common ailments, and the science behind plant-based medicine. A handy checklist of over 900 medicinal plants adds extra value for quick reference.

This updated edition includes 30 new species, improved images, and the latest research. It's an essential resource for herbalists, health professionals, and anyone interested in natural medicine.

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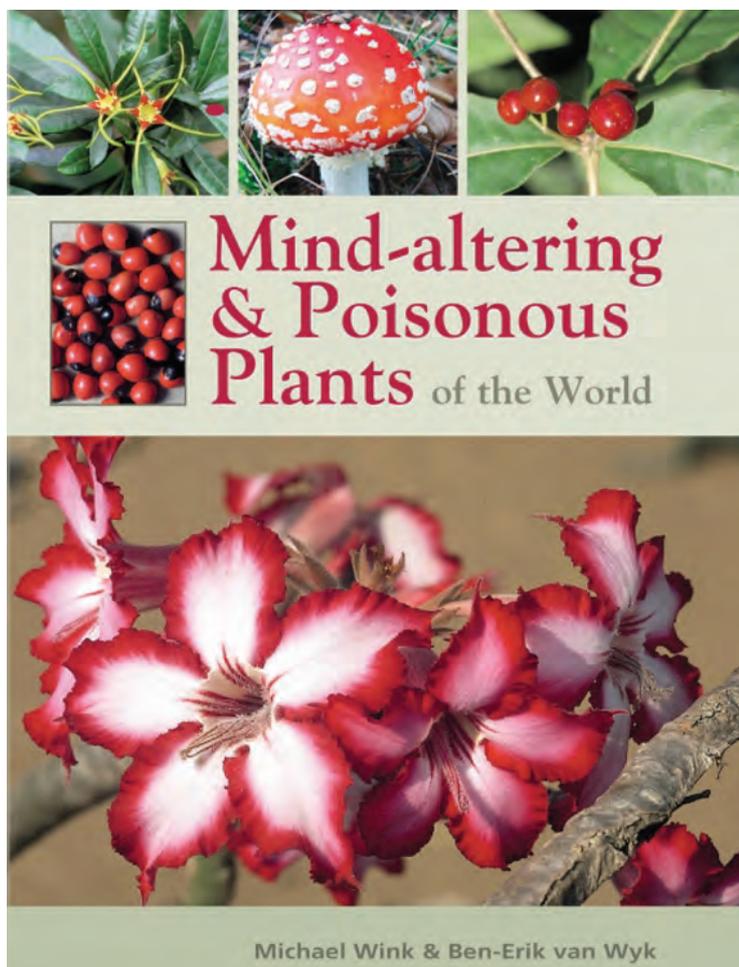
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Mind-altering & Poisonous Plants of the World

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Mind-altering & Poisonous Plants of the World provides a comprehensive bird's eye view of the most famous and well-known poisonous and psychoactive plants globally. Since ancient times, these plants have been used for hunting, murder, magic, traditional medicine, recreational drugs, and ceremonial purposes. Many hazardous plants are now commonly used as garden ornamentals, pot plants or florist flowers, with people often unaware of their inherent dangers.

This compact, colourful and scientifically accurate reference covers more than 1,200 of the most important plants people are likely to encounter. Over 200 of the most significant poisonous and mind-altering plants receive in-depth treatment through detailed monographs covering diagnostic characters, origin and distribution, active ingredients, toxicity, symptoms of intoxication and possible modes of action.

Special focus is given to psychoactive plants with stimulant, sedative, hypnotic, narcotic or hallucinogenic properties, including coca, opium, cannabis and scopolamine. The guide also covers plants causing skin and mucous membrane irritation and inflammation. Each monograph provides first aid treatment information, whilst more than 400 superb colour photographs facilitate plant identification.

Essential for gardeners, farmers, veterinarians, students, botanists, pharmacists, chemists, doctors and Poison Centres, this encyclopaedic guide enables rapid access to crucial poisonous plant information.

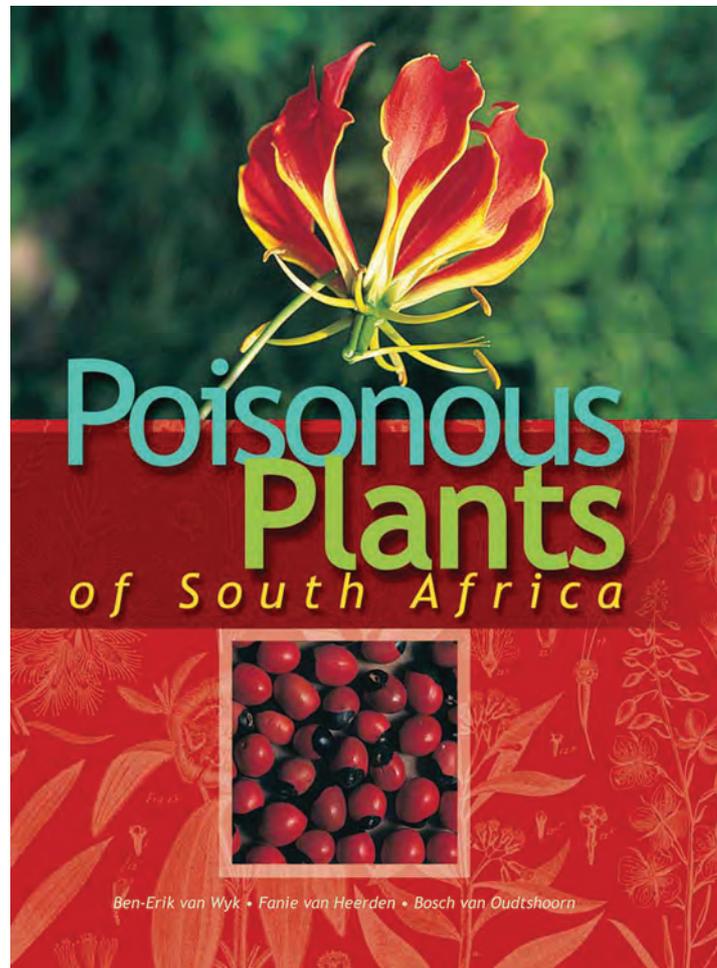
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Poisonous Plants of South Africa

Ben-Erik van Wyk,
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Bosch van Oudtshoorn



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Poisonous Plants of South Africa serves as the definitive guide to the country's most frequently encountered toxic plants. This indispensable reference features comprehensive profiles of 135 poisonous species, with each entry providing complete botanical descriptions, toxin classifications, poisoning severity levels affecting humans and livestock, identification of harmful compounds, and detailed explanations of their pharmacological impacts.

The book features distribution maps for poisonous plants occurring naturally in the wild and more than 450 excellent full-colour photographs to assist in identifying poisonous plants and plant parts. Introductory chapters cover human and animal poisoning in South Africa, first aid treatment, methods for testing toxicity, extraction and isolation of toxins, and poisonous principles and their effects.

Additional resources include plant lists organised by toxin class and livestock poisoning type, a useful checklist of poisonous plants, a glossary of medical terms, and comprehensive references for further reading. With 750 colour photographs throughout, this hardcover reference ensures accurate identification and understanding of dangerous plant species.

An essential reference guide for health professionals, veterinarians, farmers, gardeners or anyone with an interest or involvement in botany, providing crucial knowledge for safety and prevention of plant poisoning incidents.

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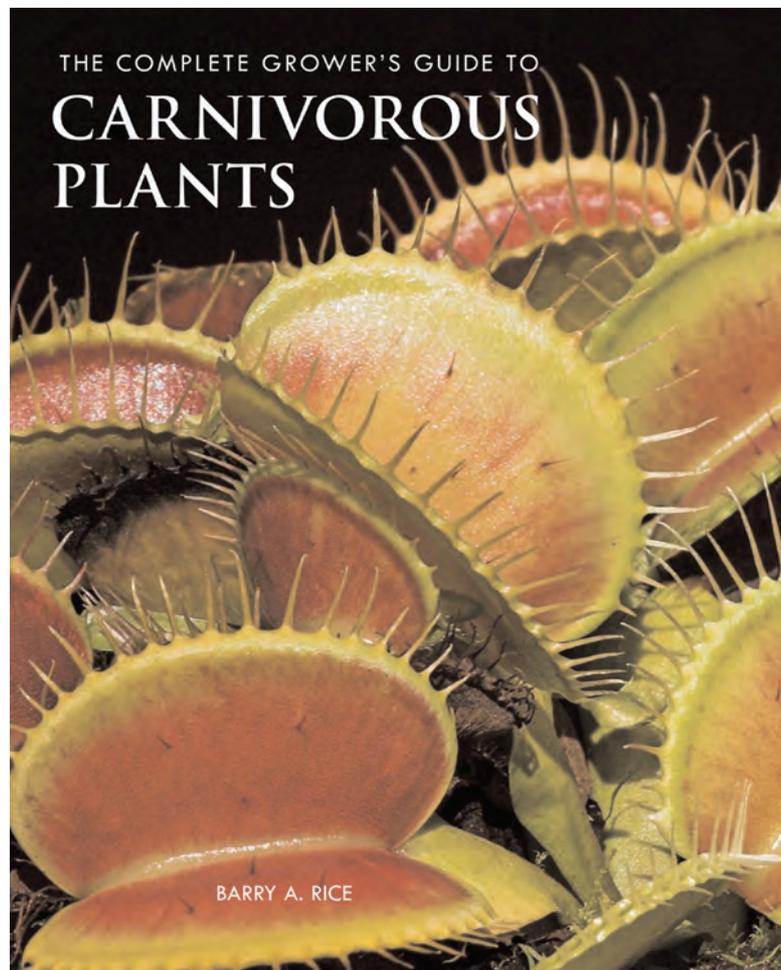


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FANIE VAN HEERDEN and **BOSCH VAN OUDTSHOORN** are botanical experts who have contributed their specialised knowledge of plant toxicology and South African flora to create this authoritative reference on poisonous plants.

The Complete Grower's Guide to Carnivorous Plants

Barry A. Rice



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The Complete Grower's Guide to Carnivorous Plants is a comprehensive resource for identifying, understanding and successfully cultivating these fascinating wonders of nature. For centuries, carnivorous plants have mystified all who encounter them, yet even experienced enthusiasts often struggle to keep these unique specimens thriving in cultivation.

This detailed guide covers more than 600 species, hybrids and cultivars from all genera of carnivorous plants, providing essential knowledge for successful cultivation. The book reveals surprising secrets, such as aquatic spiders that dive into carnivorous plants to steal their captured prey, and explores awe-inspiring trapping mechanisms—from the snap-shut action of *Dionaea* and *Aldrovanda* to the slobber mucus glands of *Drosophyllum* and the giant pitchers of *Nepenthes* that can trap and dissolve rodents.

Features include comprehensive growing instructions for creating pot habitats or bog gardens, a detailed directory of over 600 carnivorous plant varieties, and fascinating information on natural history—how these plants evolved, their interactions with insects and animals, and guidance for viewing them in the wild.

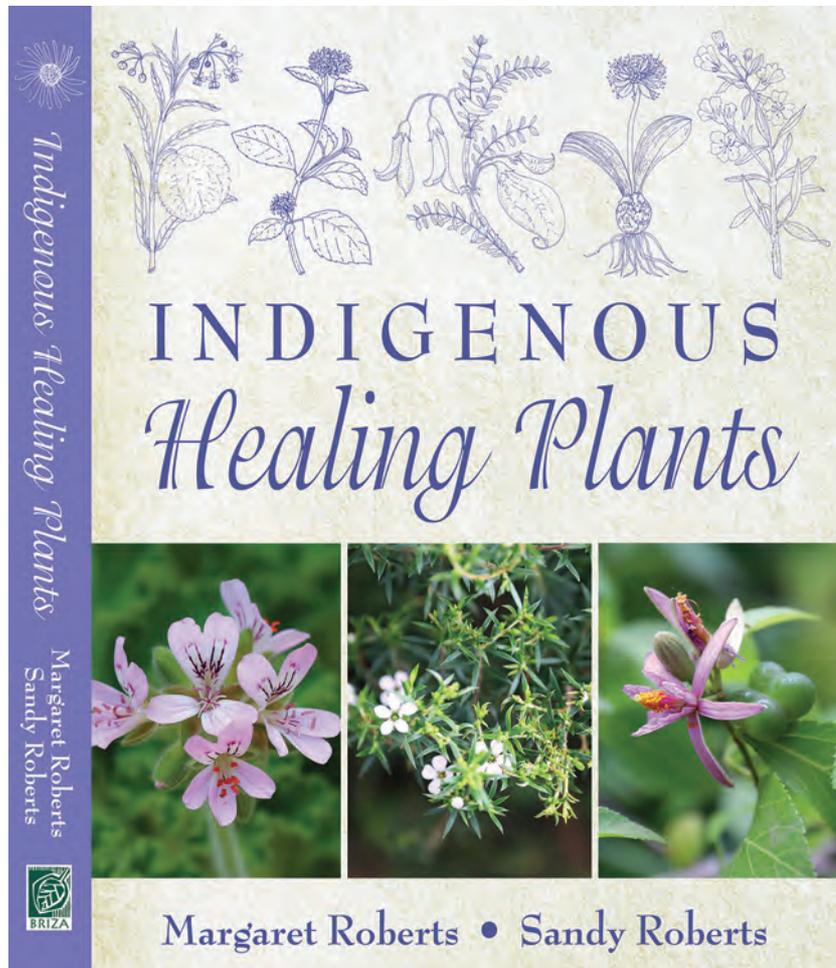
The book provides an encyclopaedic look at humanity's 200-year fascination with carnivorous plants, from initial disbelief to the most recent discoveries, making it essential reading for both beginners and experienced growers seeking to master these extraordinary plants.

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BARRY A RICE is a leading authority on carnivorous plants with extensive expertise in their cultivation, identification and natural history. His comprehensive knowledge spans all genera of carnivorous plants, making him uniquely qualified to guide enthusiasts in successfully growing these remarkable botanical specimens.

Indigenous Healing Plants

Margaret Roberts & Sandy Roberts



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Indigenous Healing Plants is a fascinating compilation exploring the uses of more than 140 indigenous plants, from well-known garden favourites such as agapanthus and scented geraniums to lesser-known plants like agt-dae-geneesbossie and ashwaganda. In her inimitable style, Margaret Roberts shares each plant's history and various uses – medicinal, culinary, as natural insect repellents and deodorisers – alongside tried-and-tested recipes and brief cultivation notes.

This fully updated and expanded edition, originally published in 1995, now includes an additional 15 indigenous medicinal plants plus a new section on naturalised weeds and foraged food plants. The comprehensive guide features 150 full-colour photographs by Sandy Roberts and Margaret's delicate line drawings, beautifully illustrating each plant.

Recording traditional wisdom and practical information on indigenous South African plants, this book appeals to anyone interested in health, gardening, cooking and homecrafting. It offers historical perspective and botanical detail valuable to students of Botany, Homeopathy and Medicine.

With 320 pages in hardcover format, this comprehensive reference preserves invaluable knowledge about South Africa's botanical heritage whilst providing practical guidance for modern applications.

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MARGARET ROBERTS. South Africa's herb doyenne and national treasure, received a Laureate Award from Pretoria University for being amongst the first organic farmers in South Africa. She has dedicated her life to sharing knowledge of medicinal and functional food plants through her books, radio and television appearances, lectures and demonstrations. Margaret established the Herbal Centre at De Wildt, conducting ground-breaking work trialling unusual medicinal plants in harsh South African conditions. She has authored more than 40 books during her 55 years in the industry.

SANDY ROBERTS has worked alongside her mother at the Herbal Centre for 32 years as chef, product developer and business partner. She runs the centre's restaurant, lectures on health and organic gardening topics, and is a talented photographer whose work regularly appears in magazines. Sandy shares Margaret's passion for herbs and continues the legacy at the Margaret Roberts Herbal Centre.

African Apiaceae: A synopsis of the Apiaceae /Umbelliferae of Sub-Saharan Africa and Madagascar

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African Apiaceae: A synopsis of the Apiaceae / Umbelliferae of Sub-Saharan Africa and Madagascar provides the first comprehensive scientific review of this critically important but poorly known plant family. The Apiaceae of sub-Saharan Africa and Madagascar are essential for understanding the early evolutionary history of the family, yet have remained scientifically neglected.

This scientific review offers a bird's eye view of the morphological and anatomical diversity of African Apiaceae, aimed at helping botanists, ecologists and conservationists identify the remarkable African members of this family. The book provides structural diversity introduction with correct botanical terminology, particularly for the interesting fruits (schizocarps) typical of the family.

Complete descriptions and illustrations for all 77 genera and 368 known species are provided, plus a key to each genera. Introductory chapters focus on habit, roots, leaves, synflorescences, flowers, fruits, chromosome numbers, pollinators, chemistry, plant uses and phylogenetic relationships. Includes comprehensive checklists and extensive references.

With 1,600 photographs and distribution maps in hardcover format, this authoritative reference will inspire the next generation of botanists to expand knowledge of this fascinating family.

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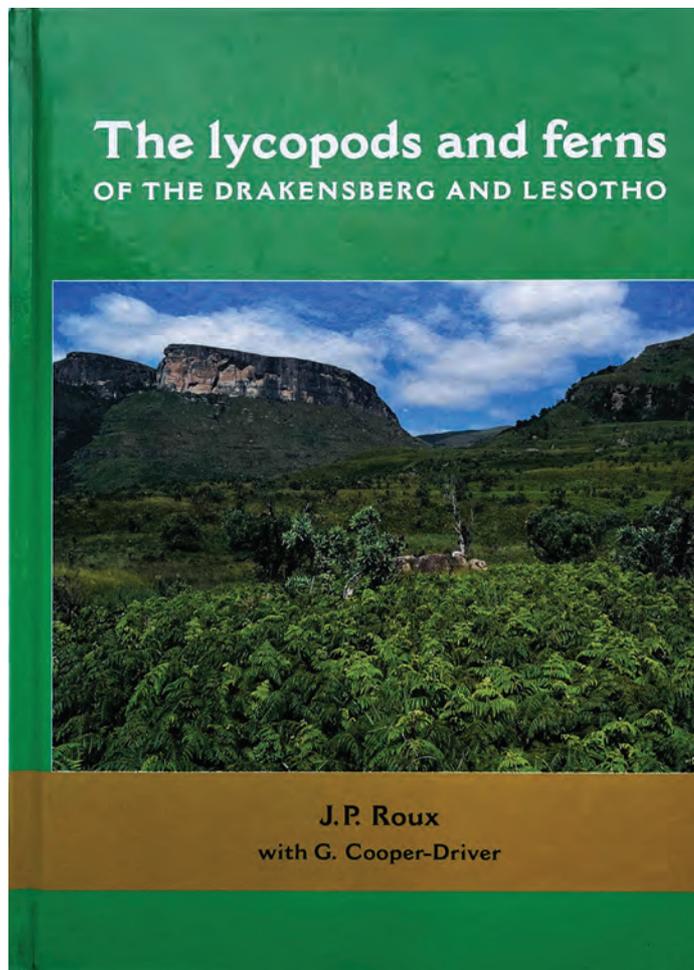
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PATRICIA MAY TILNEY is also a professor of botany at the University of Johannesburg, specialising in plant anatomy with strong emphasis on Apiaceae. Joining the Apiaceae programme in 1992, she became an expert on carpology and fruit anatomy, authoring over 70 research papers and co-hosting the 5th International Apiales Conference in Pretoria (2003).

ANTHONY RICHARD MAGEE is a senior researcher at Compton Herbarium, Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, Cape Town. He obtained his PhD from the University of Johannesburg in 2008 for multi-disciplinary research on African Apiaceae, including molecular systematic studies, resulting in 15 papers in leading botanical journals.

The lycopods and ferns of the Drakensberg and Lesotho

J.P. Roux with
G. Cooper-Driver



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The Lycopods and Ferns of the Drakensberg and Lesotho explores the fascinating flora of southern Africa's highest and most mountainous region. This spectacular World Heritage Site is renowned for its flowering plant diversity, but possesses an equally remarkable collection of ferns and lycopods with rich evolutionary history and fossil records.

This comprehensive account covers all 117 native and naturalised lycopod and fern species occurring in Lesotho and the Drakensberg region. Introductory chapters provide insights into ecology, structure and classification of living species and their extinct relatives, enhanced by recent molecular advances that illuminate these groups' evolutionary relationships to modern flowering plants.

Detailed descriptions, distribution maps and full-colour illustrations support species identification, whilst close-up photographs of spores and frond details aid critical recognition. Written by a world authority, the book reveals how ferns and lycopods represent surviving fragments of a formerly rich and exotic plant world that remains largely unknown to naturalists and botanists.

These remarkable plants offer windows into ancient botanical history, making this essential reading for anyone interested in understanding the evolutionary journey from primitive plant forms to today's dominant flowering flora.

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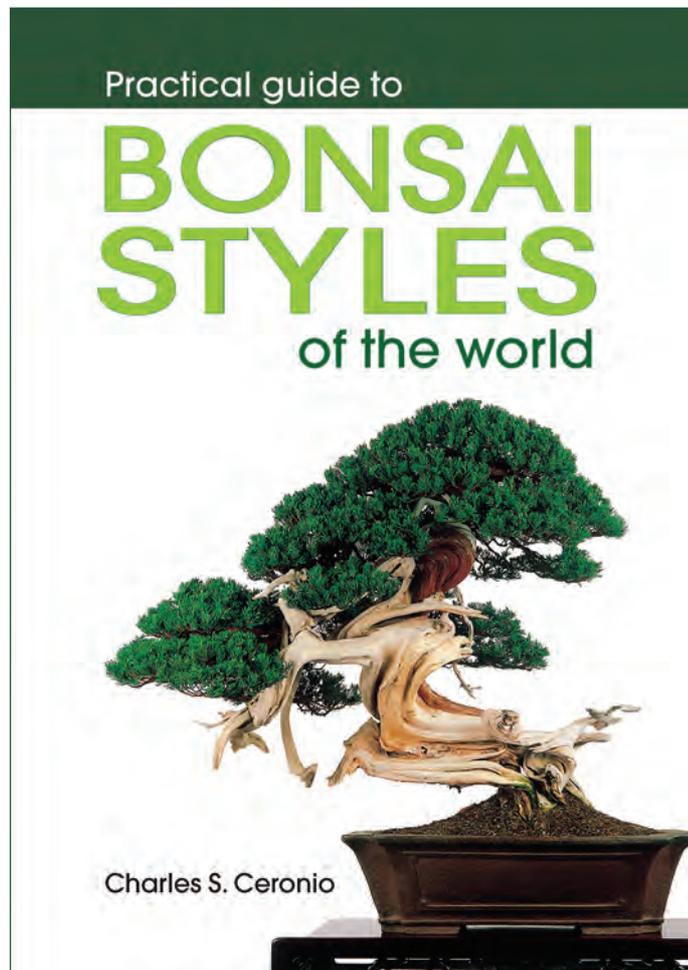


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Practical Guide to Bonsai Styles of the World

Charles Ceronio



ISBN 9781920217495

Practical Guide to Bonsai Styles of the World is the definitive resource for mastering the ancient art of bonsai design. This comprehensive guide covers more than forty distinct styles, from traditional Japanese and Chinese forms to six uniquely African innovations that reflect the continent's natural beauty.

Each style is meticulously illustrated with detailed line drawings and stunning full-colour photographs, revealing the characteristics and variations that define authentic bonsai artistry. The author provides precise design guidelines for every style, recommending the most suitable plants and appropriate containers to achieve success.

An essential introductory section explores composition principles and design fundamentals, whilst a useful classification system offers quick reference to style features and Japanese equivalents. Now in its third edition, the book features completely updated content, user-friendly design and intuitive colour-coding for effortless navigation.

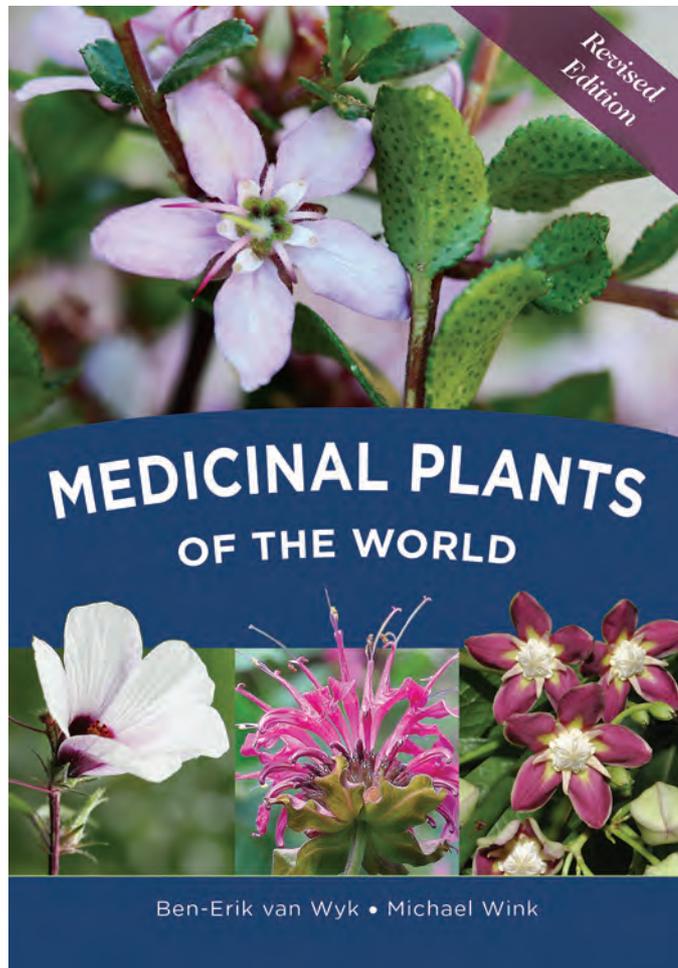
Whether customers are complete beginners discovering bonsai's meditative appeal or seasoned enthusiasts seeking to expand their repertoire, this essential reference transforms complex techniques into achievable artistic mastery for any skill level.

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Medicinal Plants of the World

Ben-Erik van Wyk & Michael Wink



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Medicinal Plants of the World is the comprehensive and scientifically accurate guide to the best-known and most important medicinal plants, including those of special commercial or historical interest. This fully revised edition features an additional 30 plant species, many new and improved photographs, and updated text reflecting the latest regulatory status of each plant.

The book describes more than 350 medicinal plants and their close relatives, with each entry providing plant descriptions, geographical origins, therapeutic categories, historical and modern uses, preparation methods, active ingredients and pharmacological effects. More than 800 excellent full-colour photographs assist in plant identification, whilst chapters explore various healing cultures, general concepts and common ailments treated with modern phytomedicines and traditional remedies.

A comprehensive quick guide lists over 900 of the world's most important medicinal plants with scientific names, origins, active compounds and therapeutic applications. This authoritative reference bridges traditional knowledge and modern science, making it invaluable for healthcare professionals, researchers, students and anyone interested in plant-based medicine.

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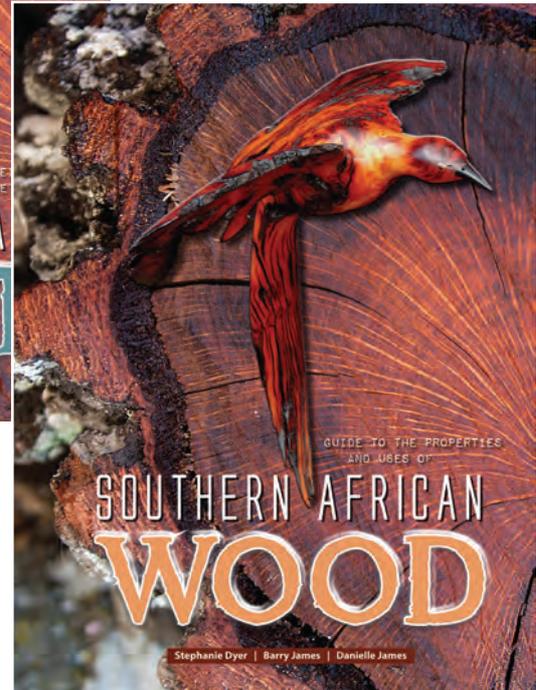
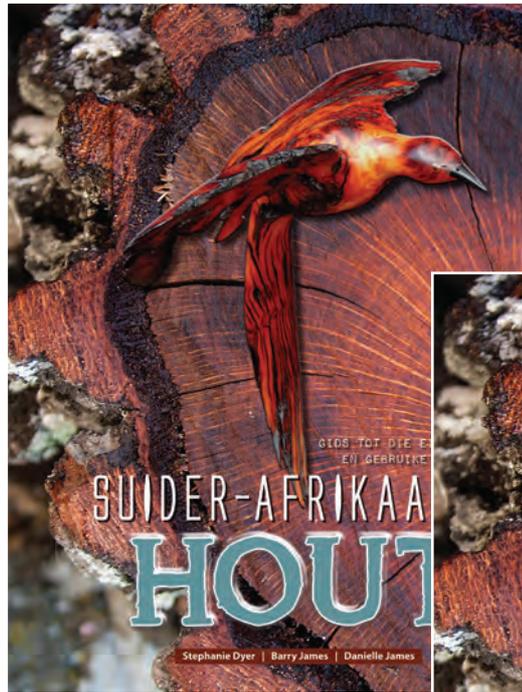
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MICHAEL WINK is a professor of Pharmaceutical Biology and director of the Institute of Pharmacy and Molecular Biotechnology at Heidelberg University, Germany. He is a leading authority on secondary metabolites of plants and their pharmacological effects.

Guide to the properties and uses of Southern African Wood

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Gids tot die eienskappe en gebruike van Suider-Afrikaanse Hout



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Guide to the Properties and Uses of Southern African Wood is a fully illustrated, scientifically accurate guide to the characteristics, properties and uses of wood from 140 southern African tree species. This comprehensive resource provides essential information for anyone working with or interested in indigenous timber.

Species treatments include conservation status, traditional and contemporary uses, mechanical properties, durability, identification features, and woodworking characteristics, enhanced by comments from experienced wood users on workability. More than 700 full-colour photographs showcase tree bark, untreated and treated wood, end-grain macrographs, and finished worked items, providing complete visual reference material.

The guide explores historical uses, natural distribution, availability and sustainability of woods, plus practical aspects of harvesting and processing. Written in an accessible style, this unique commercial reference appeals to professional woodworkers, designers, architects, wood dealers and collectors, hobbyists, botanists and anyone fascinated by trees and timber.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Gids tot die eienskappe en gebruike van Suider-Afrikaanse Hout*), this essential resource celebrates the remarkable diversity and beauty of southern Africa's indigenous woods whilst promoting sustainable utilisation practices.

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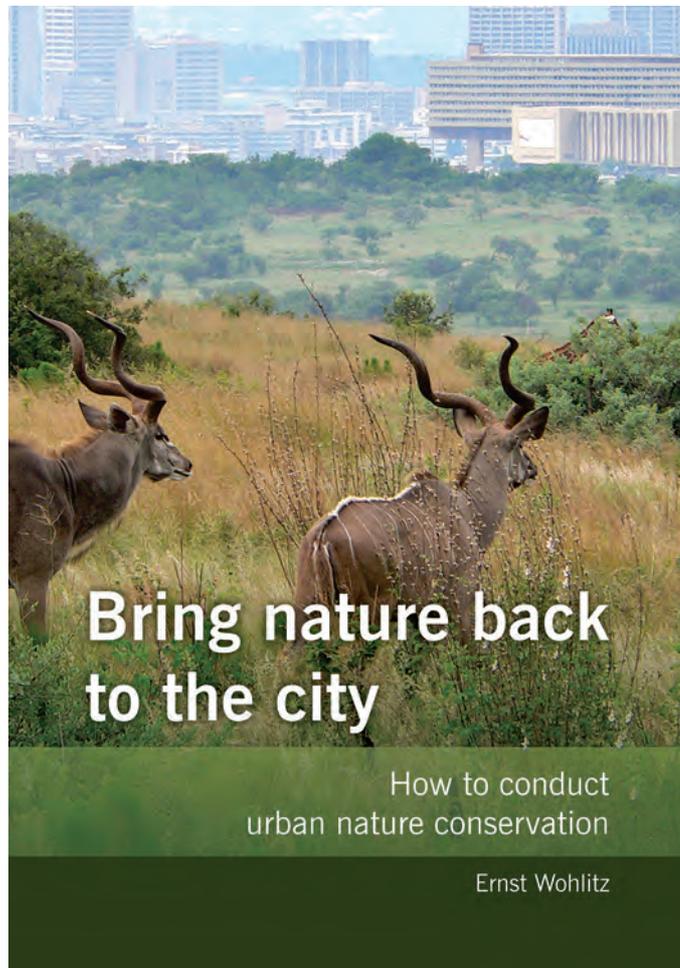
STEPHANIE DYER developed her interest in wood through a career in wood science. She provides wood identification and timber information services and runs workshops on wood identification, bringing specialist expertise to timber recognition and utilisation.

BARRY JAMES is an ecologist and environmental consultant who runs an environmental consultancy. His lifelong passion for wood and woodworking, combined with expertise in plant ecology, led him to begin collecting and studying indigenous South African woods.

DANIELLE JAMES runs an environmental consultancy in partnership with her husband Barry James. She is passionate about inspiring others to appreciate the diversity and beauty of South African indigenous woods, promoting greater awareness of these remarkable natural resources.

Bring Nature Back to the City

Ernst Wohltz



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Bring Nature Back to the City addresses one of the most pressing challenges of our time: reintroducing nature into rapidly expanding urban environments. As city populations grow at unprecedented rates, consuming ever more land and straining both environment and government resources, this comprehensive guide offers practical solutions for urban nature conservation.

The book focuses on aspects that will resonate with local government advisors, environmental professionals and anyone interested in bringing nature back to cities. It explains how to better manage green infrastructure to reduce fragmentation and habitat loss, guiding readers towards sustainable urban nature environments that benefit both wildlife and residents.

Featuring 214 photographs, 6 tables and 25 illustrations, the book covers urban wetlands, watercourses, riparian zones, buffer zones and ecological corridors. Practical annexures detail owl boxes, bird feeders, earthworm bins and organic compost production. The author demonstrates how city developments can be managed to accommodate ecologically sensitive urban nature areas that enhance the environments people live in.

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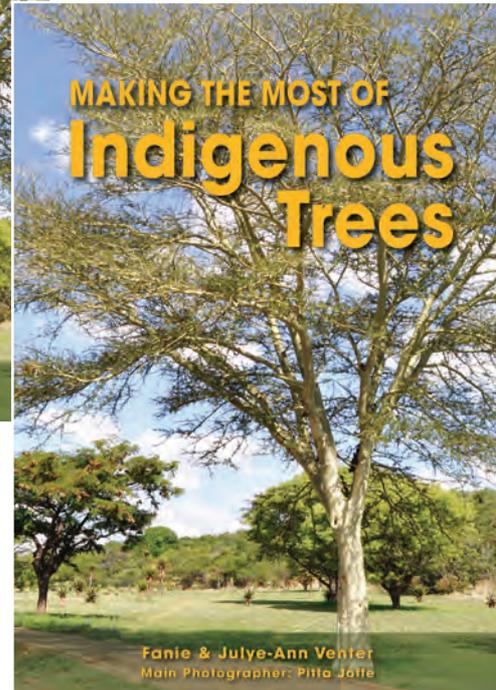
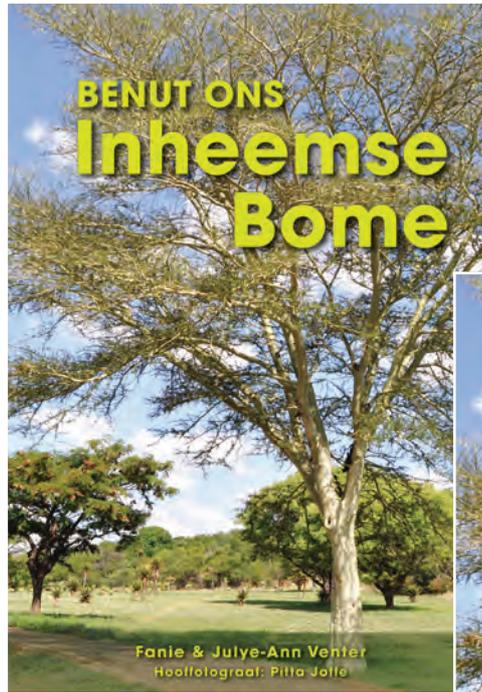
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Making the most of Indigenous Trees

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Making the Most of Indigenous Trees is undoubtedly the most significant, useful and practical book ever published on this subject in South Africa. This third and revised edition features 163 tree species, alphabetically arranged by botanical name and illustrated with more than 850 stunning colour photographs.

Each species receives comprehensive coverage including detailed descriptions, diagnostic features, natural distribution and habitat information. The book explores the ecological role of trees and their utilisation by mammals, birds and insects, alongside their economic value and use by people—from garden cultivation to sources of food, fibre and medicine.

Practical guidance covers tree propagation by seed, cuttings and truncheons, plus specific cultivation guidelines for each species. Wood properties and traditional uses are detailed, supported by distribution maps and carefully selected photographs that complement the text.

This invaluable guide should be within reach of every gardener, farmer, naturalist, nurseryman, forester and conservationist—in fact, anyone with a love and appreciation of trees and their vital role in South African ecosystems.

Also available in Afrikaans: *Benut ons Inheemse Bome*

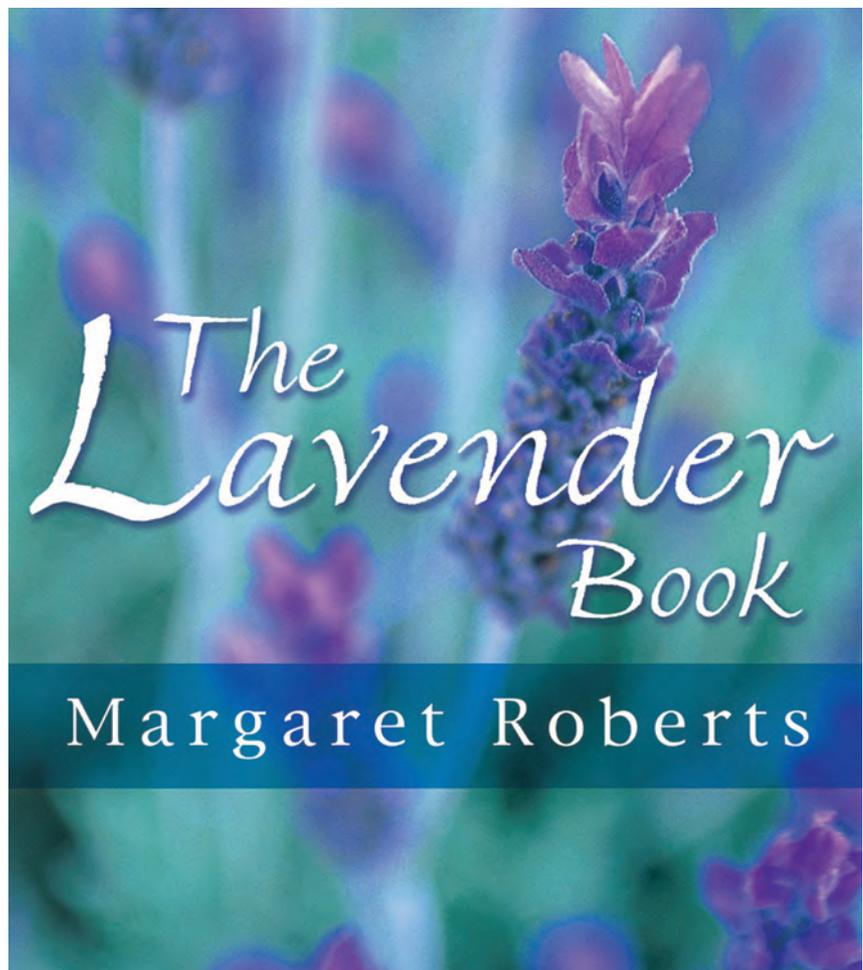
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FANIE VENTER is a leading authority on indigenous South African trees with extensive experience in forestry, conservation and horticulture. His deep knowledge of tree propagation, cultivation and utilisation has made him a respected voice in sustainable forestry practices and indigenous plant conservation.

JULYE-ANN VENTER brings complementary expertise in botanical research and environmental education. Together, the Venters combine decades of practical experience with scientific knowledge to create accessible guides that bridge the gap between academic research and practical application for gardeners, farmers and conservationists.

The Lavender Book

Margaret Roberts



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Margaret Roberts' awe-inspiring knowledge in herbs has long inspired serious gardeners and commercial growers. This succinct yet comprehensive guide to lavender types and varieties suitable for local conditions offers practical instruction on propagating, planting, nurturing and harvesting lavender.

This collection of lavender wisdom includes a treasure trove of original recipes and craft ideas following clear step-by-step formats, interwoven with useful hints and tips. The medicinal use of lavender, its applications in aromatherapy and as an insect repellent will appeal to those aspiring to a more natural, organic lifestyle.

This unique catalogue properly identifies, labels and illustrates lavender varieties with full-colour photographs, making it the most authoritative guide to locally grown lavenders. Lavender appeals not only to gardeners but to anyone interested in using herbs medicinally, in cosmetics, aromatherapy and cooking.

With beautiful layout and superb photography featuring more than 120 colour photographs, this book makes an ideal gift for herb enthusiasts and gardeners alike.

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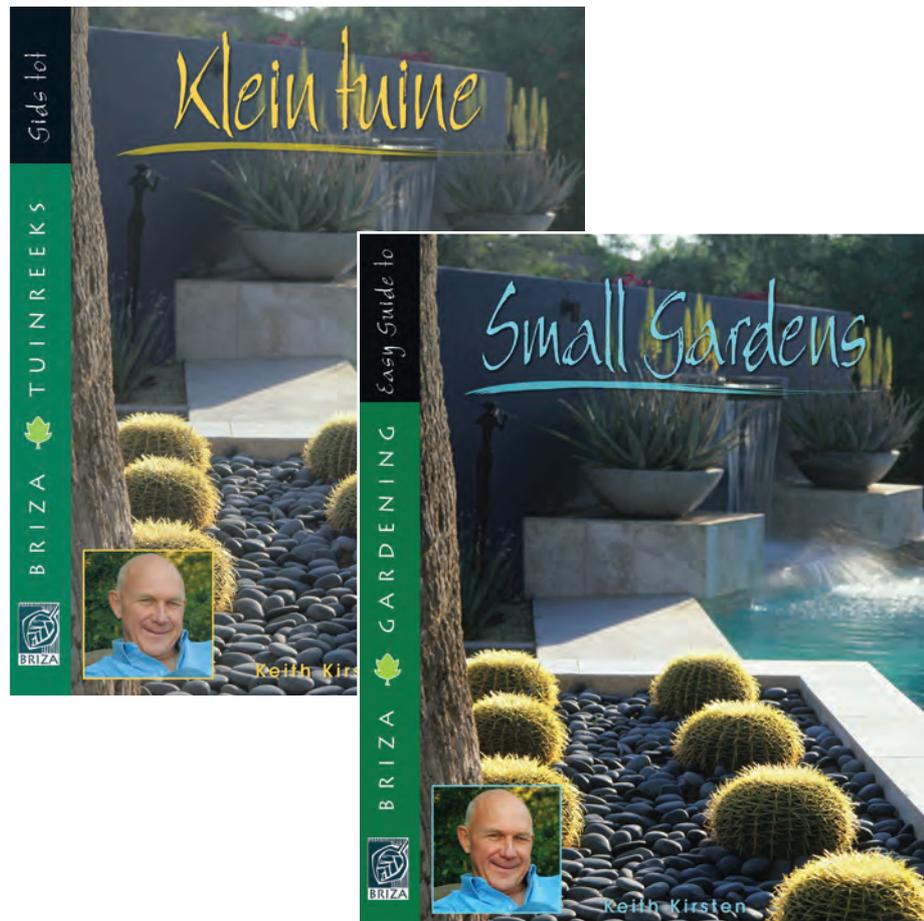


The late **MARGARET ROBERTS** was South Africa's foremost expert on herbs and one of the country's most recognisable authorities in this field. With a vast following among South Africans of all ages, her expertise has made her a trusted source for herbal knowledge and practical gardening wisdom.

Easy Guide to Small Gardens

Keith Kirsten

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Easy Guide to Small Gardens addresses the unique challenges of creating beautiful gardens in limited spaces. Often called South Africa's favourite gardener, Keith Kirsten brings over 30 years of horticultural expertise to this practical guide for small garden enthusiasts.

In small gardens, thorough planning and meticulous maintenance are essential. This guide explores how design principles adapt when working with limited areas, emphasising skilful, practical use of available space. Learn how garden paths can double as patio areas, how small swimming pools can serve as water features, and why geometric or curved designs work best depending on your space and architectural style.

The book covers creative solutions such as using plants of varying heights along boundary walls, integrating natural seating areas amongst plantings, and maintaining year-round colour through strategic container and bed planning. Kirsten emphasises that small gardens must look impeccable at all times, sharing secrets for keeping spaces colourful throughout the seasons.

Comprehensive chapters cover design principles, maintenance techniques, pest and disease management, container gardening, and plant selections specifically suited to small gardens. This inspiring guide ensures years of gardening joy, proving that size doesn't limit a garden's potential for beauty and satisfaction.

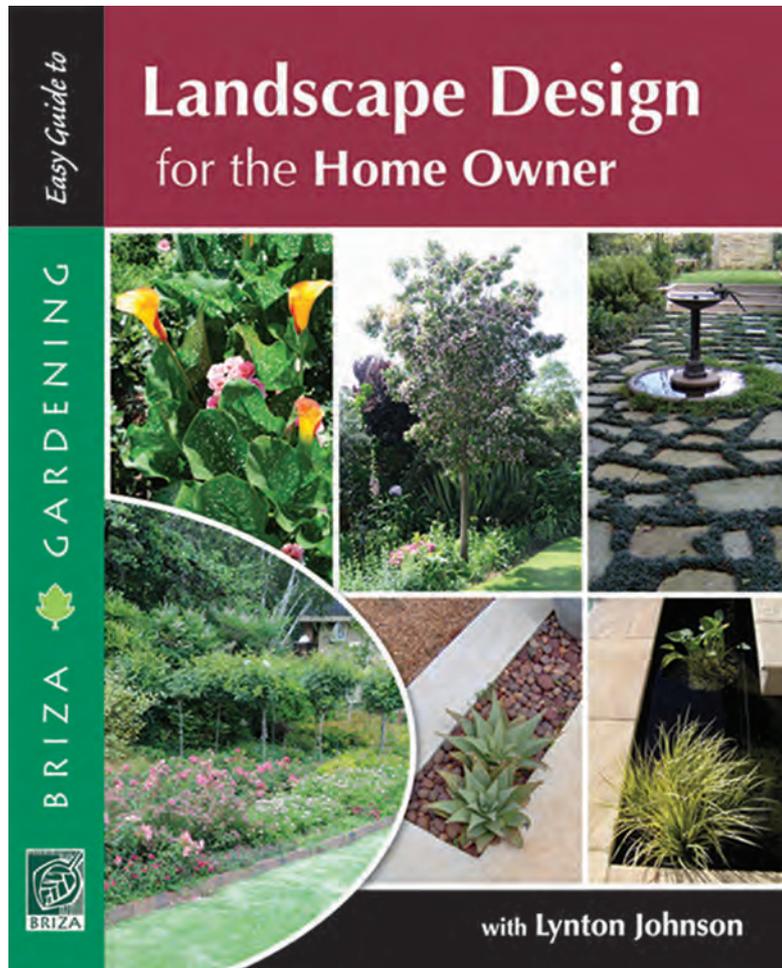
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KEITH KIRSTEN, often called South Africa's favourite gardener, has been a prominent figure in the gardening and horticultural community for over 30 years. He popularised gardening in South Africa through his infectious enthusiasm and plant expertise, demonstrated in numerous books, articles, lectures, and popular radio and TV shows. As owner and Managing Director of Keith Kirsten Horticulture International, he specialises in promoting gardening locally and internationally, constantly seeking new plant varieties for South African gardeners whilst championing the country's rich floral heritage worldwide. He also serves as a landscape and environmental consulting expert.

Easy Guide to Landscape Design for the Home Owner

Lynton V. Johnson



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Easy Guide to Landscape Design for the Home Owner offers practical guidelines and suggestions to help homeowners save time and money whilst reducing the frustrations often associated with garden design. Rather than rigid rules promising perfect results, this comprehensive guide provides flexible approaches suitable for both new and experienced homeowners.

Filled with dozens of ideas, plant and hardscape suggestions, plus over 300 beautiful colour photographs, this book assists informed, adventurous, beginner or laid-back homeowners in creating beautiful and distinctive surroundings for their homes. The guide addresses common 'first time garden' situations and pitfalls, as well as challenges faced by experienced gardeners considering alterations, style changes, or fresh perspectives on existing sites.

Beautifully and simply presented, the book guides readers through logical steps designed to make garden design enjoyable rather than mysterious or frustrating. Topics include site analysis, plant functions and choices, hardscape options, garden revamping thoughts, realistic project costing scenarios, and guidance on finding professional assistance when needed.

Additional features cover water-saving concepts, wildlife encouragement methods, environmental and regional garden design approaches, plus a list of current invader plants and useful South African contacts for reader convenience.

Essential reading for any homeowner with garden space requiring design or redesign.

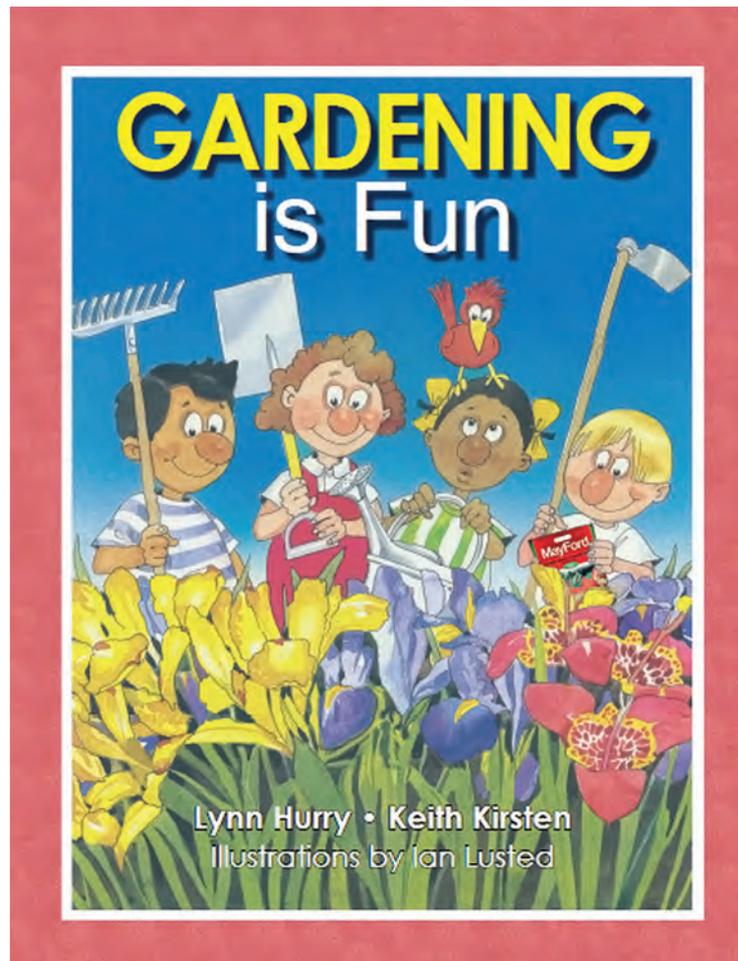
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LYNTON V. JOHNSON has been involved in the landscape design and horticultural industry in South Africa and internationally for more than 40 years. Dedicated to teaching the joys of gardening in all its forms, this is his fifth publication during his extensive career as a landscape designer, writer, lecturer, consultant and author.

Gardening is Fun

Lynn Hurry &
Keith Kirsten



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Gardening is Fun introduces children to the wonder and magic of the natural environment through one of the most fundamental and accessible activities—growing plants. To respect our broader environment, we must first develop respect for our own surroundings: the living world of plants and small wildlife in our homes and gardens.

Respected horticulturist Keith Kirsten and environment education specialist Lynn Hurry have combined years of experience to create a book encouraging young and old to explore gardening's pleasures. Their message, conveyed through simple text and lively, colourful illustrations by Ian Lusted, demonstrates that gardening can be fun, easy and inexpensive—without requiring a large garden space.

All children, regardless of financial, geographical or social circumstances, can try gardening, even if limited to nurturing tomato seeds in a tin on the windowsill. The book abounds with practical plant-growing suggestions, interspersed with down-to-earth ecological information fostering an environmentally-friendly gardening approach.

Content includes chapters on garden habitats, hints for green-finger gardening, growing vegetables, creating wildlife sanctuaries in your garden, and managing problems. Ian Lusted's detailed, humorous illustrations not only support the text but entertain independently, adding further enjoyment to this engaging guide.

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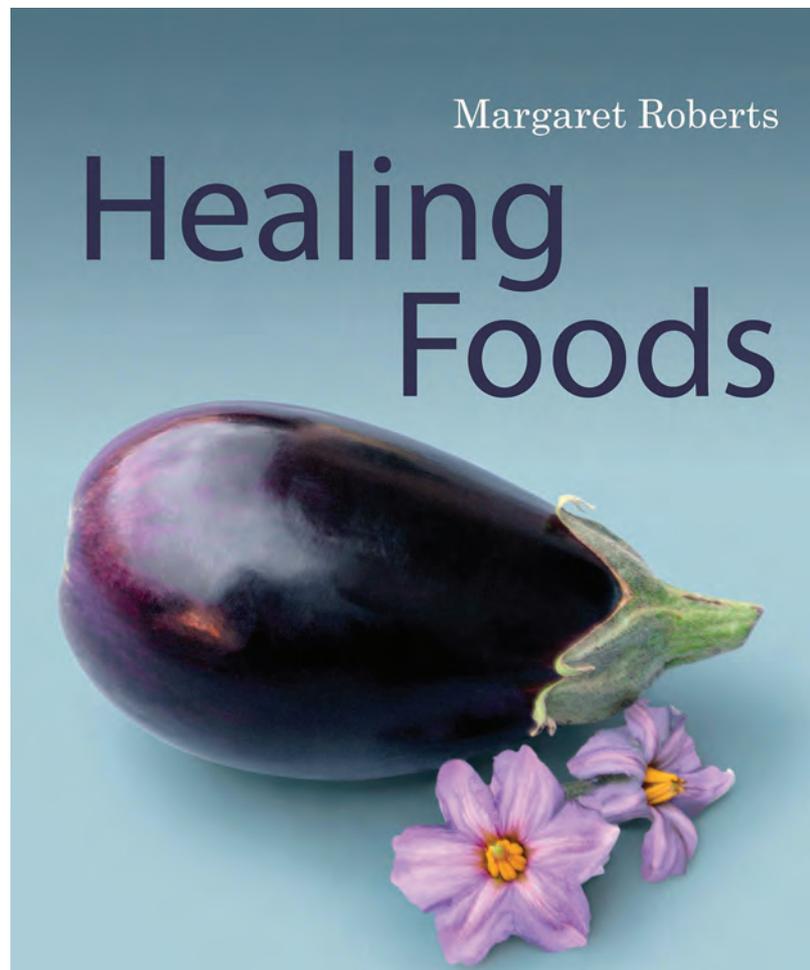
KEITH KIRSTEN, often called South Africa's favourite gardener, is a respected horticulturist with over 30 years' experience in promoting gardening through books, articles, lectures, and popular radio and TV programmes.

LYNN HURRY is an environment education specialist dedicated to fostering ecological awareness and environmental responsibility through accessible educational approaches.

IAN LUSTED created the detailed, humorous illustrations that bring the gardening concepts to life whilst entertaining readers of all ages.

Healing Foods

Margaret Roberts



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Healing Foods is essential reading for everyone seeking health and energy in our increasingly stress-filled world. Margaret Roberts brings nature's pharmacy into our homes and lives, showcasing superfoods whilst warning of danger foods and listing common ailments we suffer from.

More than 150 common and lesser-known vegetables, fruits, herbs, spices and other food plants – the building blocks of good health – are described in full. Each entry covers the plant's history and origin, growing instructions, medicinal uses and major nutrients, dietary inclusion ideas with recipes, plus cosmetic and household uses with interesting facts and hints.

The book concludes with an extensive A–Z List of ailments, providing information on which danger foods to avoid and which superfoods, supplements and other therapies to consider for relief from over 100 common ailments.

Step by step, Roberts offers comforting natural ways of correcting and rebuilding health whilst regaining vitality through nature's bounty.

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MARGARET ROBERTS has written over 30 books during 40 years dedicated to building wellness naturally. South Africa's herb doyenne shares her enduring passion and knowledge of medicinal and functional food plants, bringing nature's healing wisdom to modern life.

Sinvolle Tuinontwerp

Lindsay Gray,
Helen Lachericht &
Sharon Walker

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Making Sense of Garden Design is a comprehensive companion for creating and enhancing garden spaces, whether starting from scratch or renovating existing landscapes. This practical guide demystifies garden design by combining the authors' cumulative knowledge and wisdom from years of practical experience, making professional design principles accessible to gardeners at every level.

The book addresses the overwhelming challenge many face when confronted with garden design decisions. With extensive information available on plants and planting techniques, gardeners often struggle to navigate the creative process effectively. This systematic publication provides a structured approach to developing long-term master plans, covering crucial considerations such as style choices, plant selection, water conservation, labour-saving techniques and maintenance requirements.

Beyond practical guidance, the book emphasises the emotional and psychological benefits of thoughtful garden design, contributing to building confidence and pride in developing uniquely South African garden styles. The comprehensive coverage includes exercises, hints and step-by-step processes for creating inspiring gardens that reflect personal vision whilst respecting environmental considerations.

This invaluable reference transforms garden design from an intimidating challenge into an achievable creative expression, making it essential for both beginner and experienced gardeners.

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LINDSAY GRAY brings extensive experience in landscape architecture and garden design, contributing practical expertise in translating design concepts into achievable garden solutions for South African conditions.

HELEN LACHERICHT offers specialist knowledge in horticulture and plant selection, ensuring the design principles are supported by sound botanical and cultivation expertise appropriate for local growing conditions.

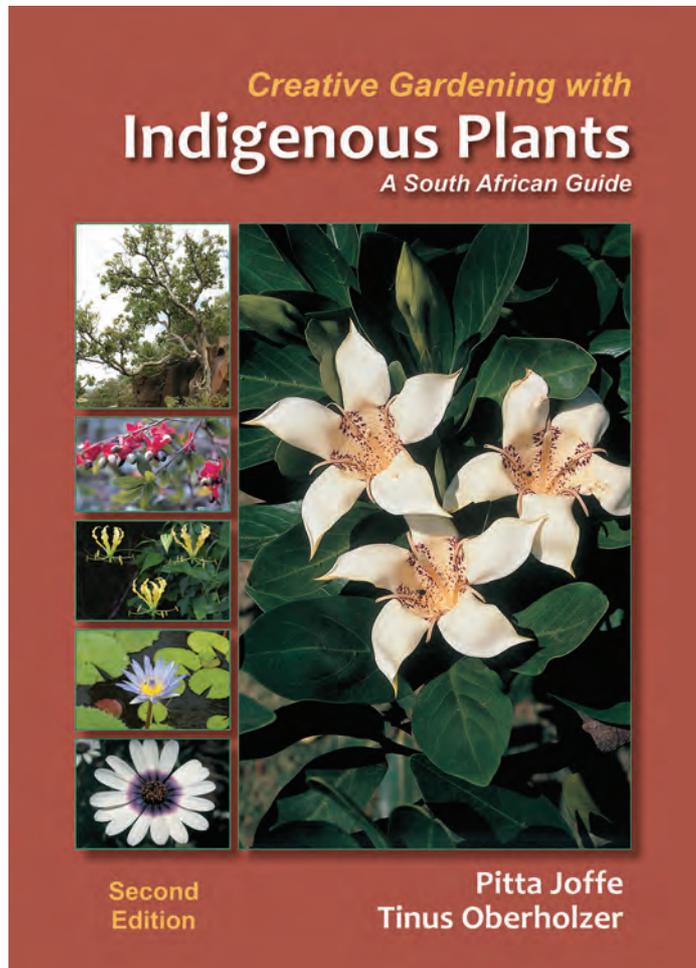
SHARON WALKER contributes expertise in garden planning and sustainable gardening practices, focusing on creating environmentally sensitive designs that celebrate South African indigenous flora whilst meeting contemporary lifestyle needs.



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Creative Gardening with Indigenous Plants

Pitta Joffe & Tinus Oberholzer



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Creative Gardening with Indigenous Plants – A South African Guide (Revised Edition) is an invaluable handbook for South African gardeners. This comprehensive guide aims to popularise the use of indigenous South African plants in gardens, parks, on roadsides and anywhere exotic plants were previously preferred.

Covering more than 300 plants, all illustrated by stunning full-colour photographs showing whole plants plus selected features such as flowers, fruit, leaves and bark. Each entry includes plant descriptions, usages – including medicinal uses and folklore snippets – plus cultivation advice. Introductory chapters cover propagating plants from seeds and cuttings, gardening in different climate regions, and using indigenous plants to attract birds and insects.

Taking a practical approach using symbols, distribution maps, plant size and flower colour, the authors guide readers to choose correct plants for specific applications, whether tree, shrub, annual, perennial, climber or water-loving plant.

This all-inclusive book is essential for gardeners, horticulturists, landscape designers and anyone involved in the South African nursery industry.

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PITTA JOFFE, a botanist by profession with keen horticultural interest, authored numerous popular books on indigenous plants, including this book's first edition. Pitta's plant photographs have appeared in numerous publications.

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Ten Out of Ten Gardening Series

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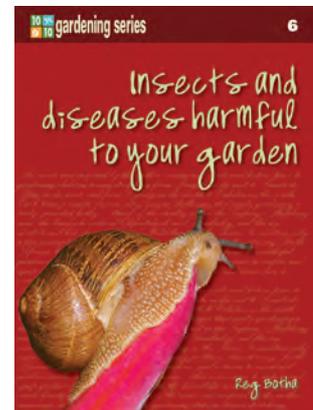
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The *Ten Out of Ten Gardening Series* covers a variety of practical gardening topics in convenient small-format books that can be kept by one's side whilst working in the garden. This comprehensive series addresses the unique challenges that make gardening a specialist hobby across South Africa's diverse climatic conditions.

Inspired by the author's extensive visits and lectures to gardening clubs from Pongola in the east to Lamberts Bay in the west, and from Vryburg in the north to Caledon in the south, each volume tackles region-specific challenges. Whether dealing with chalky soils in the Vryburg/Mafikeng area, brackish water at Olifantshoek and Kimberley, or the icy winters and hot, dry summers of Middelburg in the Karoo, these guides provide practical solutions.

Despite numerous challenges, every South African town boasts exquisite gardens and passionate gardeners. This series aims to inspire and equip gardeners nationwide with knowledge to create beautiful gardens of their own. Each book summarises successful gardening secrets in ten key concepts, covering garden planning, plant selection, preparation, irrigation, water features, focal points, composting and lighting.

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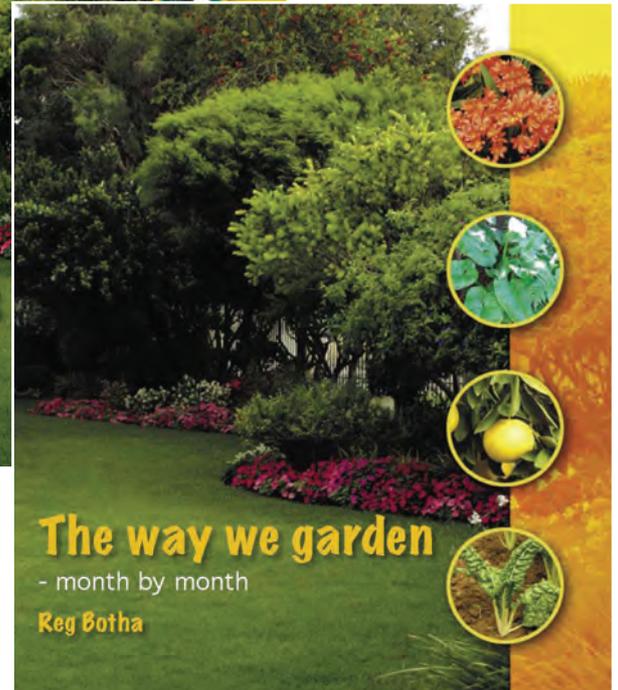
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The way we garden – month by month

Reg Botha

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Gardening, the most practised hobby in the world, survived through time and became a way of life for dedicated gardeners. Enthusiastic gardeners in South Africa are faced with unique challenges in all of the country's regions.

The way we garden - month by month covers each of the climatic regions in our country. Its contents include monthly gardening activities for each region as discussed in 'Regular tasks for the month', handy hints on various gardening aspects, the 'Ant' shares its wisdom, practical discussions on topics like compost making, pruning, nourishment and control of pests and diseases are some of the 'topic of the month' content and a 'plant of the month' closes each monthly chapter.

There is also space for the gardener to write down pleasurable memories, notes and reminders. The way we garden also provides more information on the influence of the moon's position in relation to aspects like soil moisture level, best planting time and consequently best growth of plants. The relation of earth elements to star signs and its influence on gardening is informative and gardeners can enjoy a tongue in cheek zodiac personality description of themselves.

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Grow Your Own

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Kweek Dit Self



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Grow Your Own is a comprehensive guide providing practical guidelines that teach gardeners how to fully utilise any garden space—large or small—through both alternative and traditional growing methods. This versatile resource covers vegetables, fruit, nuts, herbs and spices, moving beyond ordinary plants to explore exciting variations and possibilities.

Logically presented, the guide discusses individual plants with thorough guidelines detailing soil preparation, propagation, cultivation, harvest and storage requirements. Additional practical advice covers container cultivation, selecting suitable plants for different spaces, pest deterrence, companion planting, and combating diseases and problems.

Each plant profile includes handy summaries for quick reference, enhanced by informative text boxes highlighting fascinating facts about featured species. Over 300 full-colour photographs and sketches illustrate techniques and showcase results, making this guide both inspirational and instructional.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Kweek dit Self*), this practical resource serves novice and experienced gardeners alike, promoting self-sufficiency and sustainable growing practices. Whether customers want fresh vegetables, homegrown fruit, or aromatic herbs and spices, this guide provides the knowledge needed for successful home cultivation.

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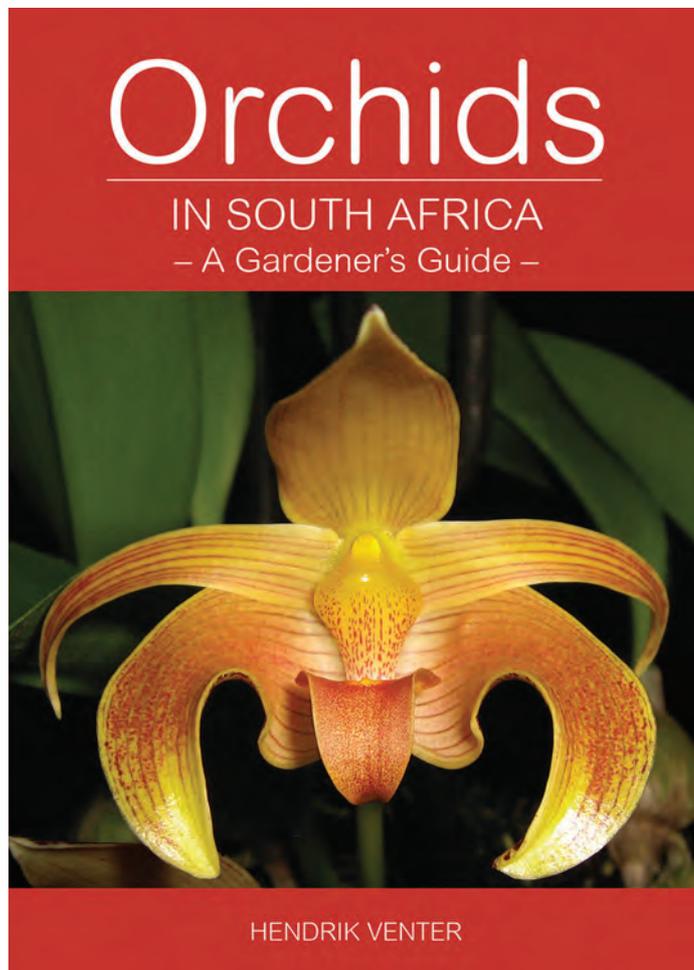
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Orchids in South Africa

Hendrik Venter



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Orchids in South Africa – A Gardener's Guide transforms orchid growing from an exclusive pursuit into an accessible hobby for everyone. This comprehensive guide dispels the myth that orchids are only for the wealthy, showing how anyone can successfully grow and maintain these exquisite plants in home or garden.

Learn essential care techniques including proper watering and feeding, optimal light and shade requirements, and effective propagation methods to ensure your orchids prosper and flower regularly. Many species are discussed in detail, with accompanying photographs of species and popular hybrids helping you identify different types and discover what you can grow in your specific conditions.

The book combines practical growing advice with stunning visual identification aids, making orchid cultivation both fascinating and satisfying. However, be warned—obtaining your first orchid may bless you with an instant, life-long addiction! Whether you're a complete beginner or experienced gardener, this guide provides everything needed to unlock the beauty and charm of these remarkable plants in the South African context.

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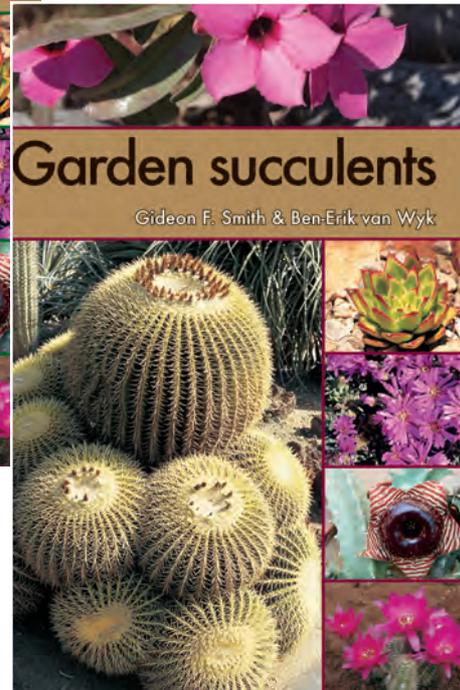
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Garden Succulents

Gideon F. Smith &
Ben-Erik van Wyk

Tuinvetplante



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Garden Succulents is a scientifically accurate guide designed to assist gardeners and horticulturalists in identifying commonly used succulent species from around the world. Succulents and rockery plants have become increasingly popular for their ease of cultivation, spectacular diversity of shapes and sizes, striking colours, and waterwise characteristics—making them perfect for contemporary sustainable gardening.

This revised and expanded edition describes more than 400 well-known succulent plants and their close relatives, supported by over 600 excellent full-colour photographs showcasing distinctive shapes, sizes and colours. Details about major succulent plant groups enable readers to quickly determine plant families at a glance, whilst introductory chapters cover waterwise gardening, conservation, cultivation and propagation techniques.

The comprehensive main section examines all major succulent plant assemblages, identification methods, and classification of genera and species within each group. Practical gardening advice includes useful cultivation hints for successful succulent growing.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Tuinvetplante*), this essential reference serves anyone interested in these remarkable drought-adapted plants and their role in sustainable horticulture.

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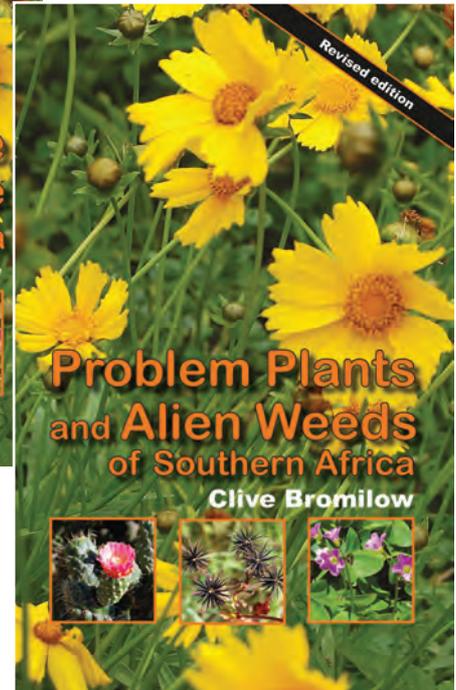
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Problem Plants and Alien Weeds of South Africa

Clive Bromilow

Probleem- plante en Indringeronkruide van Suid-Afrika



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Problem Plants and Alien Weeds of Southern Africa addresses one of the region's most pressing environmental challenges. Southern Africa possesses possibly the world's most beautiful and diverse floral kingdom, yet faces serious threats from both indigenous problem plants and invasive alien species that endanger agricultural production and entire ecosystems.

This fourth revised and updated edition covers more than 800 problem plants, with 433 species fully illustrated alongside their origins, environmental impacts and control measures. More than 900 colour photographs assist with identification whilst creating awareness of these plants' problematic nature. Up-to-date distribution maps show current ranges, with herbicide registrations and latest government regulations (NEMBA categories) clearly indicated.

Comprehensive introductory chapters examine biodiversity threats, problematic indigenous vegetation (including bush encroachment,) veld degradation, and various control techniques from biological to chemical methods. The expanded scope now extends into Central Africa, reflecting the growing continental threat.

Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Probleem- plante en Indringeronkruide van Suid-Afrika*), this essential reference serves farmers, land managers, conservationists and anyone concerned with protecting southern Africa's threatened ecosystems.

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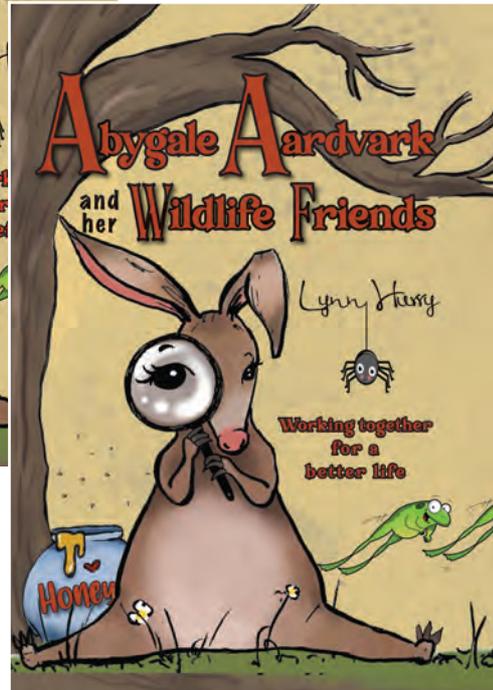
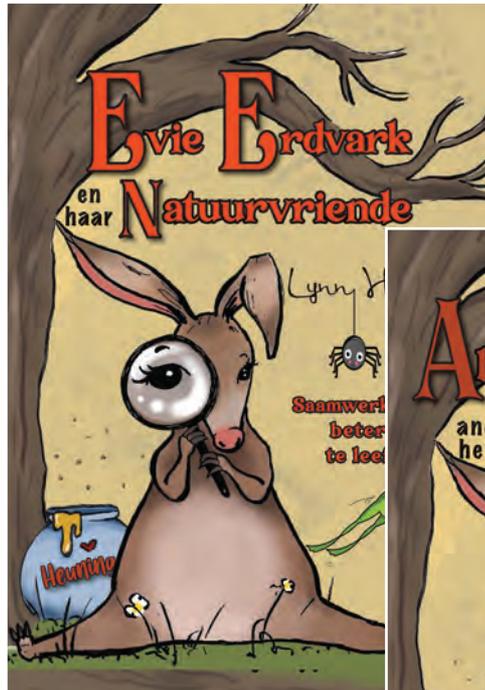
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Abygale Aardvark and her Wildlife Friends

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Abygale Aardvark and her Wildlife Friends is a carefully researched and beautifully presented book for readers of all ages dedicated to protecting and enriching Africa's wonderful wildlife. This unique collection features twenty stories where real wildlife characters tell their own tales, introduced and commented on by fictional narrator Abygale Aardvark.

Aardvarks, Aardwolfs, Giraffes, Hornbills, Baboons, White-eyes, Impala, Red-billed Oxpeckers, Cape Buffalo, Red-chested Cuckoos, Honey-Bees and Termites reveal who they are "friends" with and how they work together "for a better life." Three valuable back sections enhance the reading experience: "What's in a name?" explains scientific names, cardboard cut-out badges encourage conservation involvement, and Abygale's Glossary clarifies terminology.

Each story delivers a powerful conservation message—that every species needs collective help to survive into the future. This book serves as an open invitation for all to participate in wildlife protection.

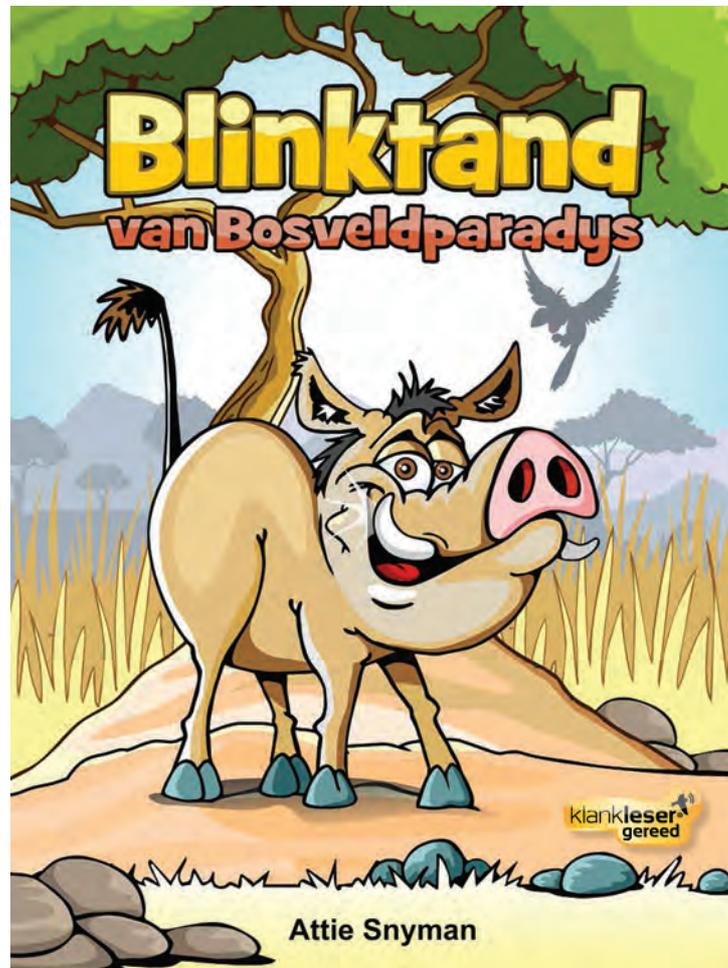
Available in both English and Afrikaans (*Evie Erdvark en haar Natuurvriende*), it meets CAPS curriculum goals for Grades 4-7, providing ecological knowledge in a refreshingly engaging format.

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Blinktand van Bosveldparadys

Attie Snyman



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Blinktand van Bosveldparadys is an engaging adventure story about Blinktand, the biggest, strongest and cleverest warthog ever to live in Bosveldparadys. Young readers experience dangerous events, drama and excitement alongside Blinktand and his cheeky friend Kierie the crow, whilst also enjoying humorous situations that will make readers of all ages laugh out loud.

This unique reading and learning experience offers more than a typical children's storybook. Readers can enjoy it as a traditional story or listen to the complete narration using the Briza Klankleser®, performed by renowned actor Lochner de Kock. Colour photographs and descriptions of the animal species and plants featured in the story provide additional nature education.

Each chapter includes a vocabulary list of new words and expressions to expand language skills, plus comprehension questions to test understanding. The book combines entertainment with education, making it ideal for teachers and young readers. Facts, history, anecdotes and nature knowledge are woven seamlessly into an adventure that celebrates South African wildlife and landscape.

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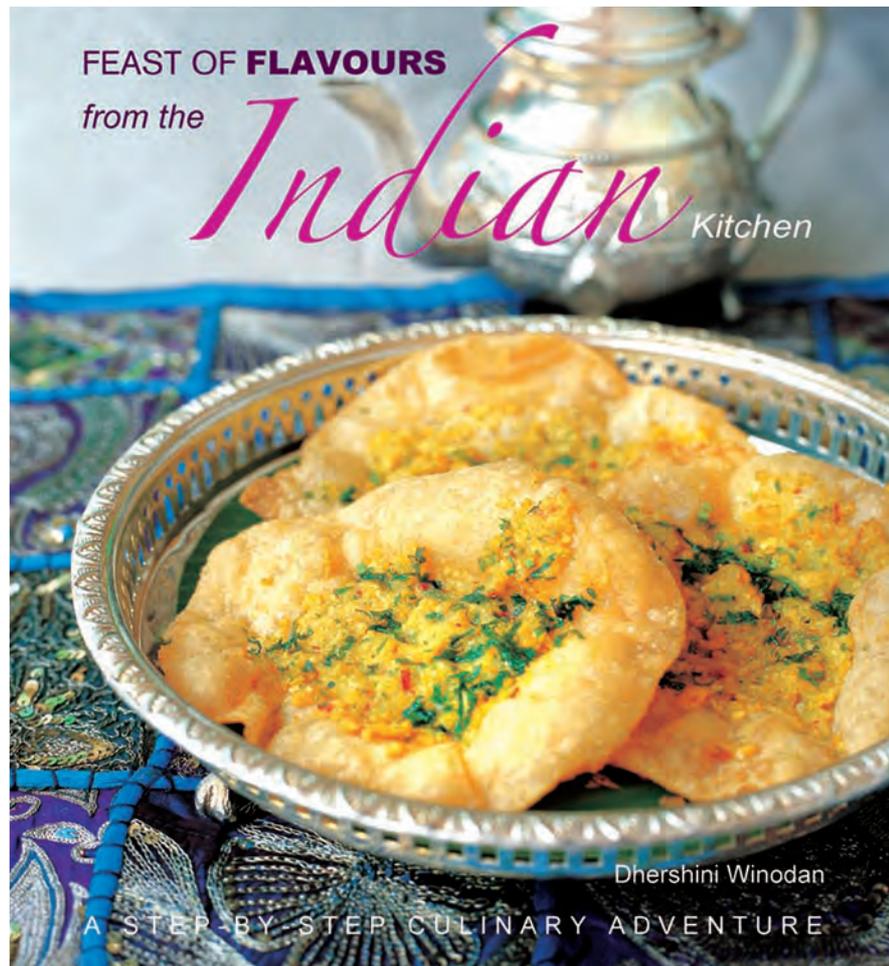


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Feast of Flavours from the Indian Kitchen

Dhershini Govin Winodan



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Feast of Flavours from the Indian Kitchen offers a captivating step-by-step culinary adventure into India's rich gastronomic heritage. This fully illustrated cookbook is part of an exciting series exploring Asian culinary traditions, providing fascinating insights into exotic ingredients and unique cooking methods.

This varied collection features traditional family favourites such as Savoury Rice Balls (*Kozhakatta*) and Spicy Chicken Masala (Chicken *Perattal*), alongside delectable new creations like Claypot Rice with Spicy Pepper Chicken and Fenugreek Fish Curry (*Methi Meen Kari*). Author Dhershini Govin Winodan guides readers through the wonderful world of Indian spices and authentic cooking techniques.

Features include simple yet authentic recipes perfect for adventurous home cooks, useful information about regional ingredients and cooking utensils, and a bold, colourful design with easy-to-follow formatting. Each recipe includes step-by-step photographs illustrating key preparation stages plus full-page images of completed dishes.

These accessible, user-friendly instructions appeal to cooks at any level, making it effortless to recreate authentic Indian dishes in your own kitchen.

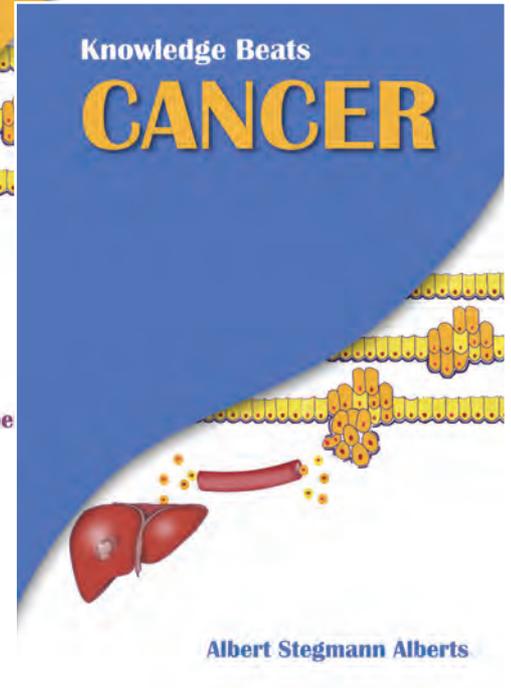
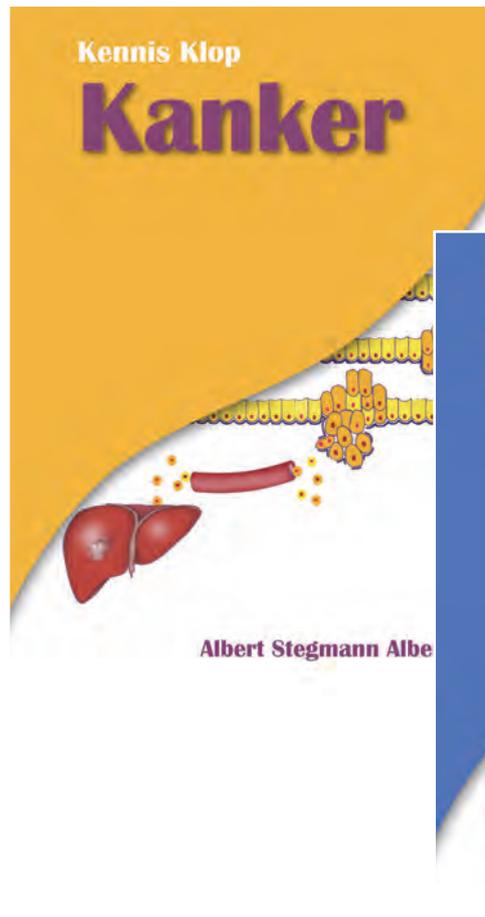
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DHERSHINI GOVIN WINODAN is a culinary expert specialising in traditional Indian cuisine and cooking techniques. Her expertise in regional ingredients and authentic preparation methods makes her a trusted guide for exploring India's diverse culinary heritage.

Knowledge Beats Cancer

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Kennis Klop Kanker



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Knowledge Beats Cancer is a vital guide for anyone facing a cancer diagnosis — whether personally or through a loved one. Written by an experienced oncologist, this book demystifies cancer in accessible, everyday language. It explains what cancer is, how it develops, and the success rates of current treatments.

Covering 29 common cancers, it unpacks modern therapies, diet and lifestyle considerations, the role of early detection, and advances in molecular medicine that are reducing side effects.

The book also explores alternative and integrated therapies, pain control, stem cell transplantation, and emotional recovery. Support for young patients, survivors, and families is addressed with clarity and compassion. Dr Alberts adds a personal, faith-based reflection on healing and hope. With full-colour illustrations and practical insights, this book empowers readers with the knowledge they need to confront cancer with confidence.

Also available in Afrikaans as *Kennis Klop Kanker*.

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