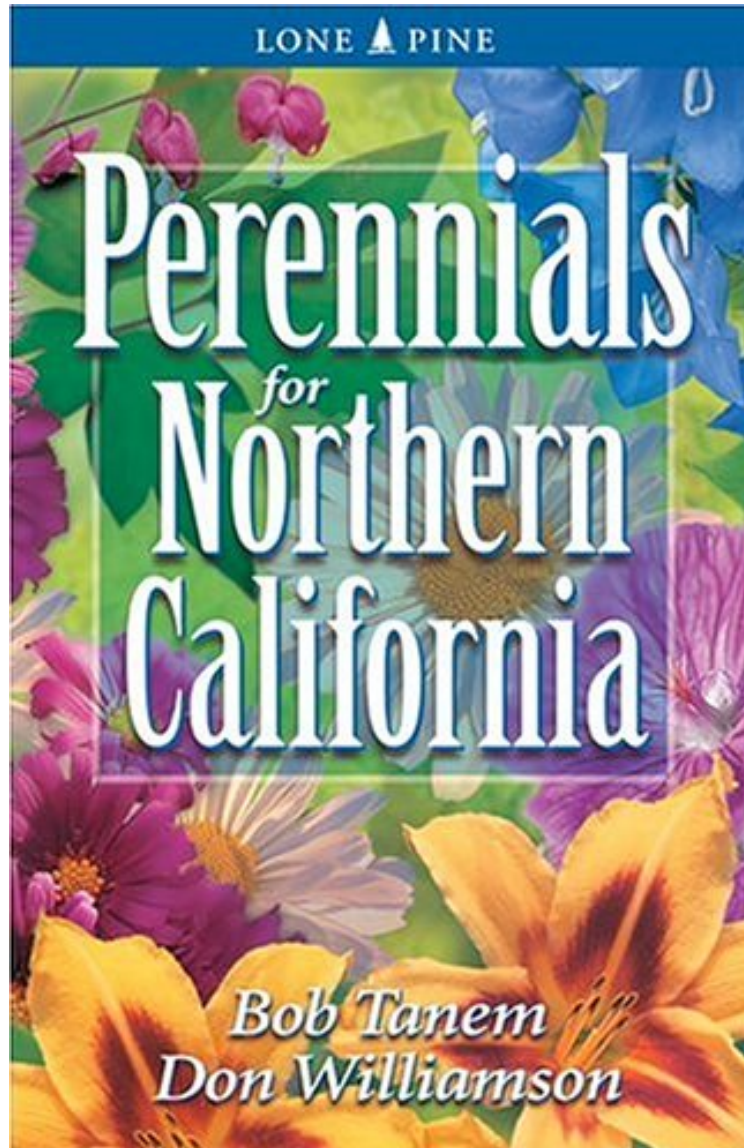


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Bob Tanem, Don Williamson : Perennials for Northern California before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Perennials for Northern California:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great resource bookBy Scout BGreat resource book, it is one of many I purchased. I am a Landscape Architect (old school) and prefer books to online searches. This is packed with a great selection of plants and successful planting combinations12 of 12 people found the following review helpful. Excellent resource for DIY landscapersBy 6025If you're looking to fill in some gaps in your landscaping, replace a

lawn with something more natural looking, or replace annuals with perennials, this book is a great place to start. The book shows information about a hundred or so plants (more on that number in a minute) in several different ways for ease of use. First, it shows thumbnail pictures of each, then it categorizes them in lists based on where they'll do best (sun, full or partial shade, clay or sandy soil, near salt spray, in planters) and by other characteristics (high v low maintenance, coarse v fine texture). The bulk of the book consists of detailed information about each plant in alphabetical order: appearance and aesthetics, how/when to plant, how to grow, problems, pests, and general tips. Finally, each plant is listed in a "quick reference chart" spreadsheet format, containing summary information about color, height, blooming, required soil, required light, and hardiness. In addition to the information about specific perennials, this book contains general information about preparing soil, germinating, planting, and caring for perennials in Northern California's myriad microclimates, and contains a comprehensive glossary in back. While the book description on says this book "features over 500 of Northern California's favorite perennials," I counted just under a hundred. However, most of these have subspecies or color variations listed, which might be where the 500 count came from. Regardless, this is plenty for most projects, and the format and content are great. Highly recommended.

Perennial gardening can be easy, fun and rewarding, especially when you have this beautifully illustrated guide at your fingertips. With detailed accounts of 93 different perennials, along with information on 519 recommended varieties and cultivars perfect for Northern California gardens, this book takes the guesswork out of perennial gardening. The authors share their common sense and practical advice to help you transform any patch of ground--wet or dry, sunny or shady, coastal or hot interior valley--into a spectacular garden you can enjoy year after year: * Flower and foliage colors * Height and spread ranges * Blooming periods * How and when to start your plants * Planting strategies * Light, water and nutrient needs * Choosing the best perennials for different growing conditions * Over 500 color photographs.

Simple to navigate, loaded with color photos and stuffed with information about Northern California gardening...well worth the investment. --Sacramento Bee Bob Tanem's accumulated wisdom from 40 years in the nursery business has been packaged in a guide that will surely delight weekend horticulturists. --Monterey County Herald About the Author BOB TANEM has been in the nursery business for more than 40 years and has logged over 20 years of air time as a broadcaster on gardening. "Bob Tanem in the Garden," featured Sunday mornings on KSFO Radio in San Francisco, has twice garnered the Quill Trowel Award for the best gardening radio program in America. DON WILLIAMSON, the author or coauthor of more than a dozen popular gardening guides, has a degree in horticultural technology and professional certificates in turf management. He has extensive experience designing and constructing both perennial and annual beds in formal landscape settings.