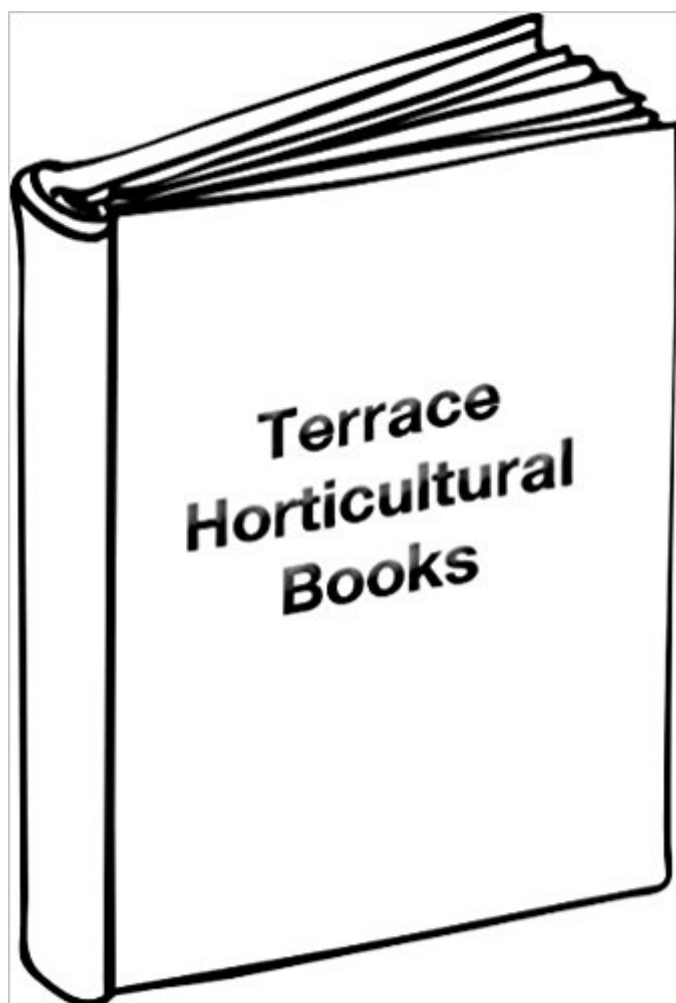


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Orchids Simplified: An Indoor Gardening Guide



Synopsis

This clearly written and lavishly photographed guide provides all the know-how and inspiration needed to begin cultivating brilliant blooms and discovering the enchanting world of Orchids. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Review of 1992 Paperback Edition For those looking for a more personal introduction to the world of orchids, look no further than Henry Jaworski's *Orchids Simplified*. Lavishly illustrated with stunning colour photographs (and drawings), Jaworski sets out to entice the beginning orchid grower by sharing his own experiences as both an orchid admirer, and subsequent enthusiast. Introductory chapters explore the mystique of orchids and debunk some of the myths surrounding them. After a basic primer on growing phalaenopsis orchids to get the reader started, Jaworski launches into a sensible discussion of where to buy orchids and what to buy, pointing out the differences between seedlings and meristems, and explaining how to decipher plant tags. The next few chapters discuss where to grow orchids, and Jaworski provides good basic advice to ensure success. Jaworski provides an illustrated overview of the various potting mixes available, though there is no mention of peat-based 'mud-mixes' that have become extremely popular among some growers in recent years. Jaworski's discussion on pests and diseases are disappointingly abbreviated. For a book dubbed as "An Indoor Gardening Guide", the discussion on pest control is relegated to the chapter on growing or summering orchids in "The Great Outdoors", and as such calls for the dunking or spraying of infested plants with chemical pesticides, methods that are poorly suited to the indoor grower who

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