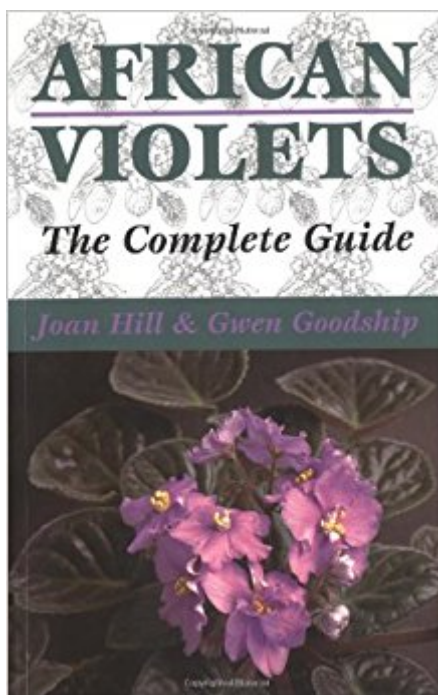


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African Violets: The Complete Guide



Synopsis

The African Violet continues to increase in popularity, having developed over the past 50 years from its few hundred varieties to the thousands that exist today in an ever-increasing range of color and type. This complete guide includes chapters on the plant's history, development, and classification, and a wealth of practical information and advice on propagation, general care, hybridization, and the prevention and treatment of pests and diseases. Written in a non-technical and readable style, it explodes the myth that African Violets are difficult to grow and provides the grower with the know-how to make the most of this delightful and popular plant.

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This informative book, with eight pages of color photographs and 28 line drawings, begins with a brief history of this popular houseplant and continues with a chapter explaining the three main types of African violets, their sizes, and the shapes of their flowers and leaves. There's a list describing 167 hybrids and instructions on their cultivation (light, temperature, compost, watering, humidity, and feeding); propagation; rejuvenation; hybridization; and pests, diseases, and disorders. There's also advice on exchanging hybrids with other growers and on exhibiting plants. George Cohen --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I bought this book and I like it. It's concise yet accessible and I enjoy the size cause I can keep it around anywhere. It's easy to read and I enjoy the illustrations. It has maybe not all but certainly most

of what practical violet keeping advice you would usually need. So I gave it a five star review. It's helped me often and with good tips.

Lots of great info on violets. Everything from regular keeping to breeding them. I have old violets (around 30 year old plants now) that I was given by my late Grandmother and I wish I had this book earlier. This book has lots of valuable advice.

Very informative. I bought this book for my husband's horticultural library. He has used it as a reference for his hobby of growing and propagating violets. Highly recommended!

Clements The Handbook To African Violets. This was the least informative.. If I'd bought Tony Clements book first, I wouldn't have bothered purchasing any other.

Interesting and informative and a unique lesson with ideas

great book! Addresses all my questions on African Violets, and then some! Highly recommended.

I grow hundreds of violets, I'm experienced but always searching for something new and better to learn. I find this little book very informative and well written! The types, history, hybrids (incl. the list & tips for some variants), cultivation, reproduction, tips & tricks, pests - it's all here. I guess if you ever happen to seriously grow African violets or have some of them on the window sills, this book is will tell you everything you need to know for successful keeping these pretty little plants! :)

The book answered a lot of questions.

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