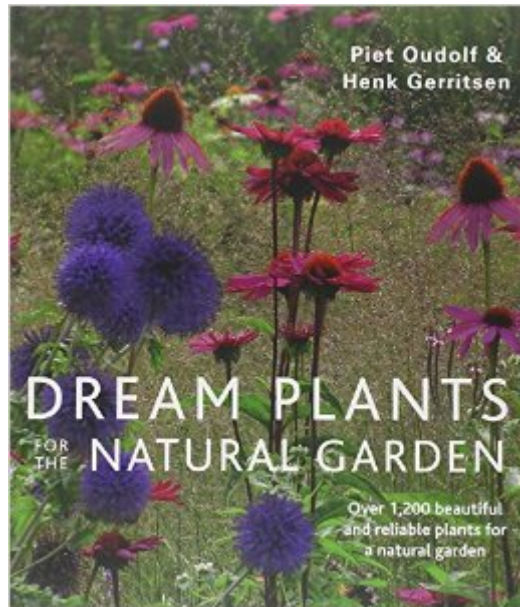


The book was found

# Dream Plants For The Natural Garden



## Synopsis

In this book, pioneering garden designers Henk Gerritsen and Piet Oudolf describe their special choice of ideal plants, perennials, bulbs, grasses, ferns and small shrubs. An ideal plant is one that is both beautiful and robust, performing reliably with very little input from the gardener. Complete growing information is provided for each plant along with advice on how to use it to best effect. Gerritsen and Oudolf have a genuinely innovative approach to gardening. Rather than striving for big, bold masses of colorful blooms that are vigorously pruned back as soon as they have finished flowering, the authors choose plants chiefly for their form - leaves, flower heads and stems included - which means they retain their natural beauty through all the seasons.

## Book Information

Paperback: 144 pages

Publisher: Frances Lincoln; PB Reissue edition (December 1, 2013)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0711234620

ISBN-13: 978-0711234628

Product Dimensions: 9 x 0.5 x 10.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.7 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (18 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #179,516 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #21 in [Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Gardening & Landscape Design > Flowers > Perennials](#) #62 in [Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Gardening & Landscape Design > Ornamental Plants](#) #113 in [Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Gardening & Landscape Design > Landscape](#)

## Customer Reviews

The great global catastrophe that was World War I changed the world forever of course - empires, nations, monarchies and governments were swept away and nine million people were killed. And many important cultural artifacts were swept away forever as well, including the old-style, labor-intensive gardening of the 19th Century and the Victoria and Edwardian eras. Cheap labor was no longer to be had in the great homes of England and in their gardens, and so a new style of gardening necessarily took its place. It was more modest, less labor-dependent, more self-sustaining and natural. It actually had its beginnings in the latter part of the 19th Century, in the tapestry tradition of color blending that was the gardening style innovated by the Arts & Crafts movement. A century later, this design trend has taken another pronounced turn, this time also fed

by the cost of labor, a desire for smaller gardens, pressure on water supplies and a preference for gardening that is more sustainable and natural in appearance. At the center of this design revolution is Piet Oudolf and his longtime friend and collaborator Henk Gerritsen. Their "Dutch Wave" of "natural gardening" or the "New Perennial" movement as it is sometimes also called " has transformed modern thinking about garden design, particularly in large and public spaces. The hallmarks of natural gardening are less reliance on flowers and more use of sculptural elements such as grasses and small shrubs, less structured planting areas, a greater use of xeric and native plants, as well as plants that are hardier and less fussy. It gives greater prominence to the whole plant and all its structures in all seasons, than to its floral expression at one brief moment of blooming glory.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Nora Roberts Dream Trilogy CD Collection: Daring to Dream, Holding the Dream, Finding the Dream (Dream Series) Dream Plants for the Natural Garden A Garden to Dye For: How to Use Plants from the Garden to Create Natural Colors for Fabrics & Fibers Natural Gas Trading: From Natural Gas Stocks to Natural Gas Futures- Your Complete, Step-by-Step Guide to Natural Gas Trading A Weaver's Garden: Growing Plants for Natural Dyes and Fibers How Do Plants Survive? (Plants Close-Up) Air Plants: All you need to know about Air Plants in a single book! Plants For Water Gardens: The Complete Guide To Aquatic Plants Pollinators of Native Plants: Attract, Observe and Identify Pollinators and Beneficial Insects with Native Plants The Secret Life of Plants: a Fascinating Account of the Physical, Emotional, and Spiritual Relations Between Plants and Man Wild Edible Plants of Texas: A Pocket Guide to the Identification, Collection, Preparation, and Use of 60 Wild Plants of the Lone Star State Medicinal Plants of North America: A Field Guide (Falcon Guide Medicinal Plants of North America) Medicinal Plants of the Desert and Canyon West: A Guide to Identifying, Preparing, and Using Traditional Medicinal Plants Found in the Deserts and Canyons of the West and Southwest The Beginner's Guide to Medicinal Plants: Everything You Need to Know About the Healing Properties of Plants & Herbs, How to Grow and Harvest Them Air Plants: Everything That You Need to Know About Air Plants in a Single Book Plants vs. Zombies: Garden Warfare Gardening Projects for Kids: Fantastic ideas for making things, growing plants and flowers, and attracting wildlife to the garden, with 60 practical projects and 500 photographs Nature's Garden: A Guide to Identifying, Harvesting, and Preparing Edible Wild Plants Papermaking with Garden Plants & Common Weeds Secret Medicines from Your Garden: Plants for Healing, Spirituality, and Magic

[Dmca](#)