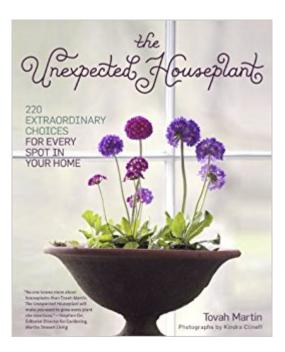
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The Unexpected Houseplant: 220 Extraordinary Choices For Every Spot In Your Home





Synopsis

It's time for plant lovers to dust off their houseplants, update their image, and discover just how exciting, trendy, and crucial plants can be in the home. The Unexpected Houseplant, by renowned plant authority Tovah Martin, isn't your typical, old-fashioned, dowdy houseplant book. Martin's approach is revolutionaryâ "picture brilliant spring bulbs by the bed, lush perennials brought in from the garden, quirky succulents in the kitchen, even flowering vines and small trees growing beside an easy chair. Martin brings an evangelist's zeal to the task of convincing homeowners that indoor plants aren't just a luxuryâ "they're a necessity. In addition to design flair, houseplants clean indoor air, which can be up to ten times more polluted. Along with loads of visual inspiration, readers will learn how to make unusual selections, where to best position plants in the home, and valuable tips on watering, feeding, grooming, pruning, and troubleshooting, season by season.

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Customer Reviews

I have a huge collection of houseplants and houseplant books, and I have to say of all my books on houseplants, this one is my absolute favorite book for houseplants. Most houseplant books just go into minor details about the plant and really give no useful information. I beleive most people that write houseplant books don't even hardly do any research on houseplants and I have to say some books seem to be written by people who have never even owned a houseplant...But the author of 'The Unexpected Houseplant' went above and beyond writing a book on houseplants....first of all, she doesnt write about the basic, boring houseplants like spider plants, peace lilies, the everyday houseplant that anyone can grow, she writes about the unusual and more rare houseplants, the kind that anyone who collects houseplants really like and collect themselves. And when I saw the sections on the Pregnant Onion and Bowiea volubilis, I got very excited...hardly anyone puts those plants in houseplant books. And the author doesnt just write a quick section on plant needs like watering and light requirements (which she does at the end) but writes a good few pages on each plant about her personal experience with the plants. If You are a real collector of houseplants and need a book on the more unusual plants, then this book is a must have. Actually I would even recommend this book to people who just have a few houseplants too, this book will make anyone want to go out and hunt the plants in this book down. This author wrote this book in the four seasons, cause when you think about it, our houseplants and houseplant needs do change with the seasons.

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