Gardening with Drought-Friendly Plants

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“Tony Hall’s sound practical advice, keen eye for quality plants and extensive personal experience of drought-friendly plants, make this a ‘must have’ book for anyone who wants to create a successful waterwise garden.”

Matthew Biggs, gardener, writer and broadcaster

This is the essential guide to the plants suited to our changing climate of warmer, drier summers, written by Kew expert Tony Hall. With over 20 years’ experience of working with drought-friendly and Mediterranean plants, Tony profiles more than 200 plant species and cultivars suitable for all types of gardens and garden situations, large and small. He offers tips and advice on maintenance and pruning, and shows us the ideal plants to leave whilst you go on holiday.

Many of the plants chosen are found growing in Mediterranean climates, and therefore well-adapted to growing in hot, dry conditions. These plants provide year-round interest in the garden, through their form, colour, and scent and continue to perform during winter with evergreen colour, silver foliage, or attractive dried seed heads. They are perfectly suited to water-saving gardening.

The book is arranged by plant type and includes annuals and biennials, bulbs, climbers, perennials, shrubs, succulents and trees. There are also quick-reference guides to planting flowers by month, plant colours, fragrant plants and plants for attracting wildlife to the garden.