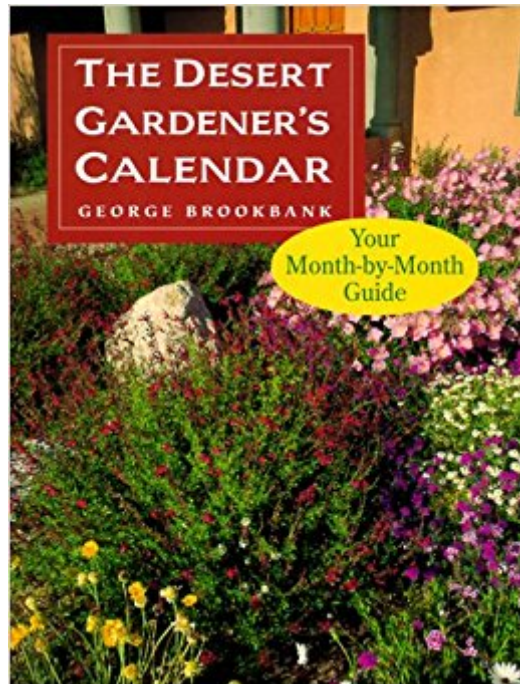




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The Desert Gardener's Calendar: Your Month-by-Month Guide



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George Brookbank learned landscape maintenance in his native England and as a Government Agricultural Officer in Tanganyika. He has spent nearly thirty years in Arizona, first teaching landscape maintenance classes at Arizona Western College in Yuma and then serving as an Extension Agent with the University of Arizona.

Good Book, easy to follow.

Rather antiquated account. Some useful info, but too much redundancy. All photos but the cover in black and white. No completed garden photos which make you wonder if anything he had grew well

at all.

Has been helpful in when to plant in our desert

I'm a Yuman Being, so this book is perfect for me! - and other Desert Beings, too.

This book is a good resource for the AZ desert gardener. Of course, AZ is an EXTREME desert, so you still need to take the extra heat and sun into account.

Great month-to-month guide specifically for the desert southwest. Each month tells you what to look out for, and how to prepare for the coming months. This book was somewhat limited in extent. Ruled margins provide a great place to take notes and personalize the book in respect to your own gardening experience. Overall, a good buy.

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