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Meghan says

This is a must have for serious gardeners! There's tons of info on shrubs and trees including specifics on many, many cultivars. He is extremely knowledgeable, funny, and gives detailed opinions on different plants rather than just the textbook info.

Jane Milliman says

The bible.

Dragonfly says

Best book out there on shrubs and trees in North America! Great sense of humor too!

Toni says

I used this book for four Woody Landscape Plant classes at the (USDA) Graduate School. Unlike the A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants, this volume is all information and no nice color pictures but the information is invaluable to the student of horticulture and landscape design. I often refer back to this book to identify a tree or shrub or to find the mature dimensions of a such.

Renee Wilkinson says

This is the bible of all things trees and shrubs. It has a permanent place on my desk as I work on landscape designs. Dirr has a very clear writing style and knows his subject in and out. My only critique is that his point of view is very SW oriented, which is to be expected from any plant specialist. I am in the NW and our trees get REAL big here, so I use his info on heights loosely.

Darlene says

Plant bible!

Nanette says

As an land architect I am never without this book

Barb says

Exhaustive treatment of ornamental trees and shrubs. The only thing I'd fault here is the author's sometimes snarky and self-satisfied tone, and the inadequacy of the illustrations.

Dianna says

Great reference book! No color photos but lengthy,useful descriptions on specific cultivars.

Stacy Ling says

Must have reference book.

Pricia says

LOVE this book. Love Dirr. He is "the man who wrote the book" on trees... I have unresolved tree envy. Before you plant, consult.

Cynthia says

This book is THE reference I go to when I'm wondering where to plant a newly purchased shrub or tree, how big said plant will get, what conditions it needs, and so forth.

Dirr's pithy comments (pun somewhat intended) enliven what could be deadly dry material and actually provoke occasional snorts of laughter while I'm reading.
