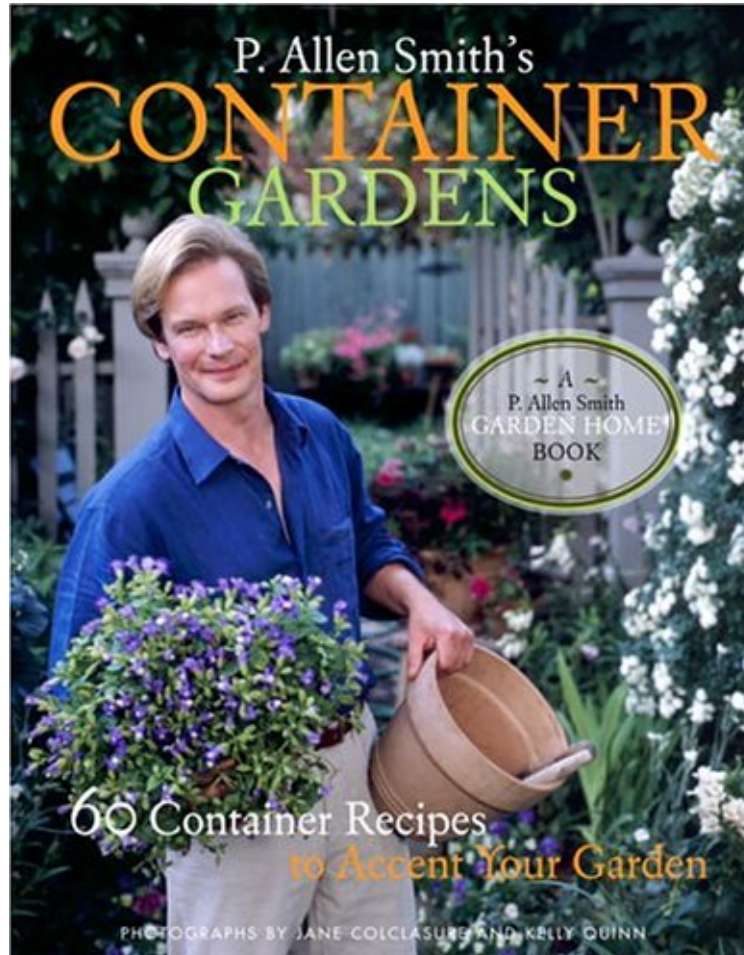


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Pretty pictures for inspirationBy Ann MarieI love his TV shows, thought I'd love this book. Three stars means it's OK. it. I'd have given 4 stars except for lack of useful practical information. The pretty pictures are inspirational for ideas for color and design. but I was hoping for more concrete information about soil composition, soil amendments, fertilizer for different kinds of plants, etcThe book gives "recipes" for specific plants in pots. I'm in zone 3 in Northern Minnesota, not far from Canada where there's a very short growing season and selection of plants is limited. Winter here is mega snow with zero to 20 degrees below zero or colder for several months. The book gives recipes for winter pots but no plant in a container will live thru winters

here. That part of the book is useless for very cold Northern winters. Many of the plants in the recipes aren't available here, especially since this is a small town. Even in Minneapolis MN (where I'm from) I don't remember seeing many of those plants. Maybe if you are in a slightly warmer growing zone the plants in the recipes will be useful if they're available in your local garden centers. If I had leafed thru this in a book store I wouldn't have bought it. Most likely I'll glance thru the pictures again, then donate it to a thrift shop. I have books with more practical information as well as pretty pictures.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Useful and Beautiful How-to Guide for Planting Containers
By Gloria Jenkins
This book opened up a whole new world of container gardening for me! I had no idea that there was anything to it other than the occasional rubber-tree-in-pot, but Smith has "recipes" for different seasons and different light conditions, and recommends using plants in containers as delineation for different areas, adding color to a permanent bed, and so on. Very enlightening! I plan to use some of his recipes for my mother's birthday and look for ways to use them around the yard. He has a very simple way of telling us about the principles he uses in designing his containers and, as his principles of design were laid out in a previous book, he summarizes them in a special section in the back of the book. Very easy to use the book.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. THIS IS THE BIBLE FOR CONTAINER GARDENING!
By Jared CJ
What an amazing book! I have used this book for years! All of my friends and neighbors comment on how lovely my potted arrangements look. I truly owe it to this book. I lost my book originally, then found a copy here online. My garden just hasn't been the same without it!! I highly recommend this book!!

Just as stylish accessories bring a room to life, gorgeous planted containers are the finishing touch for every garden home. With this book, America's favorite gardener, P. Allen Smith, shows how to create a beautiful container garden in a matter of minutes, in an innovative recipe-style format complete with ingredients lists, step-by-step planting instructions, and advice on how to effectively display these colorful accents. Beautiful and versatile, these container designs are the perfect solution for decks, porches, balconies, and gardens that need a focal point or a splash of color. Each container recipe fulfills one of the 12 Principles of Design that Allen established in his first bestselling book, *P. Allen Smith's Garden Home*. As a result, the container will wonderfully frame the view from a window, offer a welcoming reception in an entryway, help to establish a sense of rhythm along a walkway, or extend your home's color and décor into the garden. Allen shares the secrets he uses to make his eye-catching arrangements, as well as special planting and display tips for placement in your garden. The designs range from sophisticated to casual, yet the instructions are so easy to follow that you can assemble these containers in no time at all, even with little or no gardening experience. There are recipes for every season of the year, to ensure that you can enjoy lush container gardens year-round. A special resource section includes a complete plant directory, tips on how to select the right container to complement your garden's style, grooming and plant-care guidelines, and basic instructions for planting pots, window boxes, and hanging baskets. Lavishly illustrated with more than 150 photographs, this book is sure to inspire seasoned gardeners as well as beginners interested in enhancing the beauty of their Garden Home with P. Allen Smith's signature container designs.

About the Author P. Allen Smith, one of the best-known gardeners in the United States today, is host of the syndicated television show *P. Allen Smith Gardens* and the public television show *P. Allen Smith's Garden Home*. He makes regular appearances on CBS's *Saturday Early Show* and *The Weather Channel's* gardening spots. He also gives workshops and lectures and makes home and garden show appearances nationwide. His first book, *P. Allen Smith's Garden Home*, was a bestselling gardening title of 2003 and was honored by the Garden Writers of America with the Garden Globe Award of Achievement. Visit him at pallensmith.com.