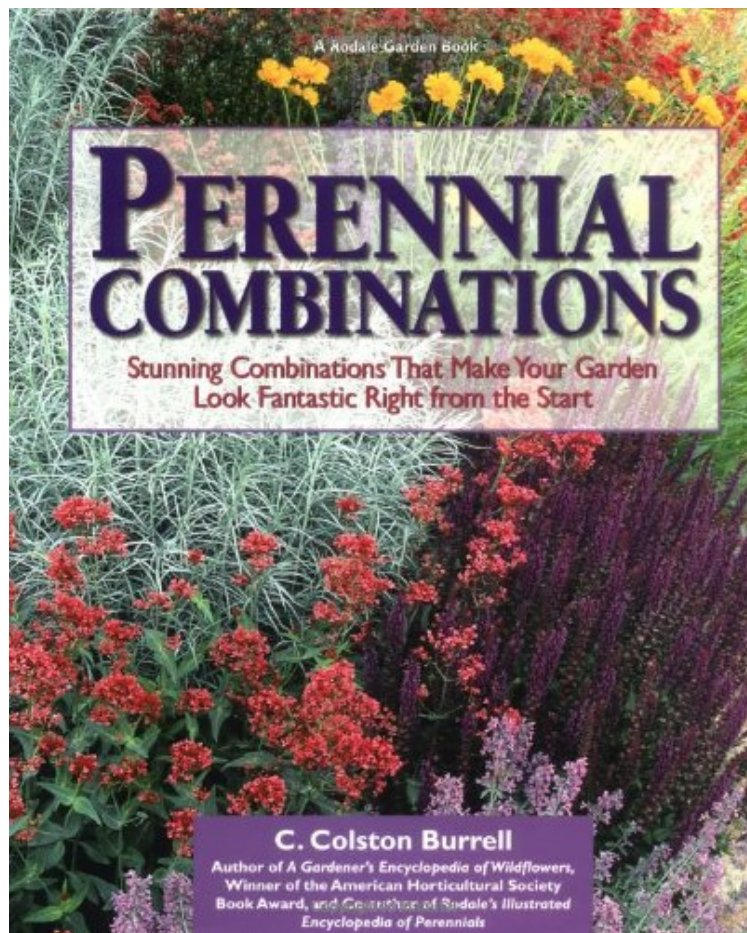


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People like me, who roam their gardens with a trowel in one hand and a plant in the other, looking for any empty dirt in which to plant need this book. Ideas for color combinations as well as combinations of form, texture, and habit can help even us color-challenged gardeners have great-looking gardens. Different seasons, different environments, and different plant mixes are blended sensibly and artistically under Colston Burrell's artistry. A terrific read! Allan Armitage, professor of horticulture at the University of Georgia and author of *Herbaceous Perennial Plants* and *Specialty Cut Flowers* Talk about a great combination! Cole Burrell's brilliant design talent blends with his extensive experience as a gardener and a plantsman to make this book both visually dynamic and enormously informative. Not only are there numerous ideas for inspiring design combinations, but practical tips on soil, light, and maintenance requirements for the plants abound. This book should help every gardener-- from the beginner to the professional-- design gardens that look as good in the landscape as they do on paper. Tracy DiSabato-Aust, author of *The Well-Tended Perennial Garden* From the Inside Flap Perennial combinations are the building blocks of beautiful, successful gardens. Choosing perennials that look great and grow well together is a skill that can take years to develop, but with this book, you're guaranteed to make perfect plant choices right from the start. In *Perennial Combinations*, expert plantsman, C. Colston Burrell hand-selects 120 of the best perennial combinations for homeowners, then offers his expert advice on how to grow and use the combinations to create great gardens. Each combination is featured in a stunning color photograph accompanied by a numbered photo key and plant list, so it's easy to find and buy exactly the right plants to re-create the combination in your own garden. Each combination features just two to six plants, so they're perfect for even the smallest garden space. You can plant each combination just as it appears in the book, or for a bigger color splash, just repeat the combination or mix it with others that are suited to the same conditions. You'll find combinations for stunning bloom from spring through fall; combinations especially suited to challenging sites like heavy clay soil or seaside gardens; and combinations just for fun, like fragrant combinations and combinations that attract butterflies. C. Colston Burrell has lived and gardened in different climates across America, so he's made sure this book is useful to gardeners from California to Maine. He's also a professional garden designer, and he's applied his talents to create 22 original garden designs that feature the book's individual combinations. Plus every page includes his personal gardening wisdom, so you'll not only know which perennials to plant together, you'll know how to maintain those perennials so your garden will look beautiful year after year. About the Author C. Colston Burrell is the author of *A Gardener's Encyclopedia of Wildflowers*, which won the American Horticultural Society notable books of the year award for 1998. He is also the co-author of *Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Perennials*, *Successful Organic Gardening: Perennials*, and *Successful Organic Gardening: Landscaping with Perennials*. He is a garden designer, writer, photographer, and the owner of *Native Landscape Design and Restoration*, which is located near Charlottesville, Virginia. About the Author C. Colston Burrell is the author of *A Gardener's Encyclopedia of Wildflowers*, which won the American Horticultural Society notable books of the year award for 1998. He is also the co-author of *Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Perennials*, *Successful Organic Gardening: Perennials*, and *Successful Organic Gardening: Landscaping with Perennials*. He is a garden designer, writer, photographer, and the owner of *Native Landscape Design and Restoration*, which is located near Charlottesville, Virginia.