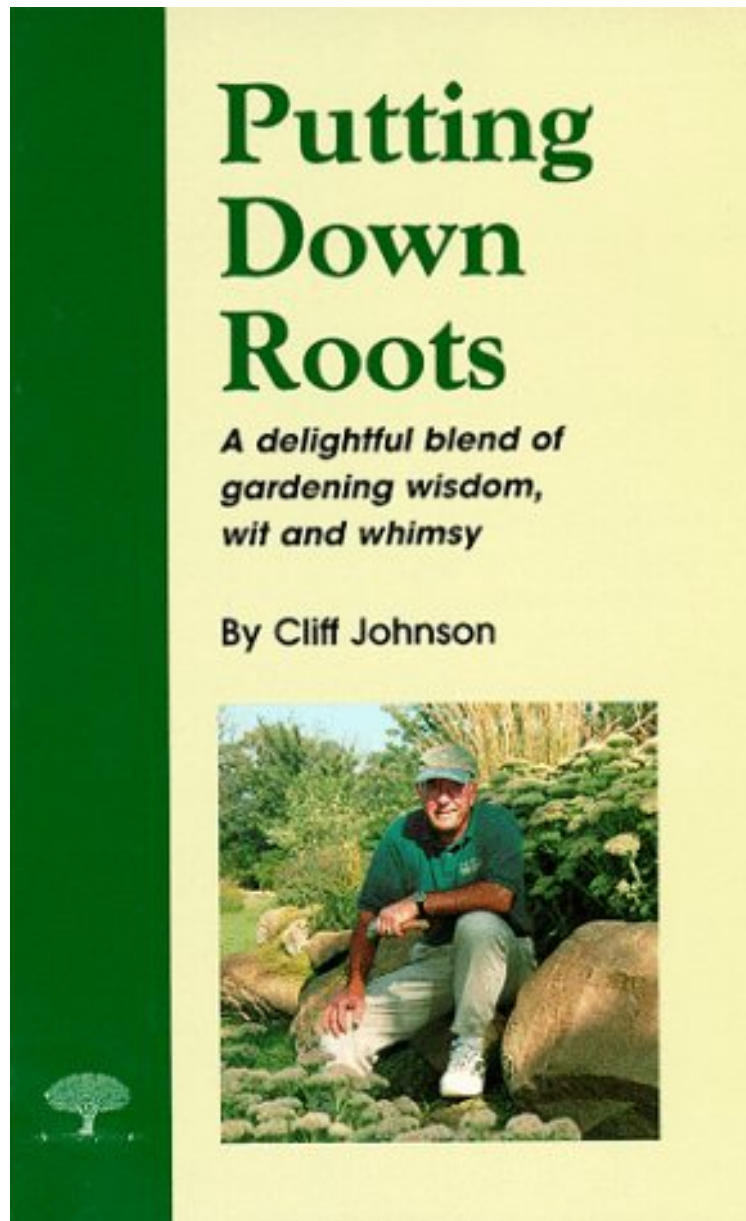


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. humor and useful gardening advice for a midwestern gardenerBy Joshua LarsonI really enjoyed this book. Many essayists who attempt to gather together their work into some single

body fail to gain a fluidity, a rational and ordered presentation. Johnson, though, succeeds by ordering his essays seasonally. Of course, his subject matter conforms pretty well to that progression! Nevertheless, Johnson allows us to enter separately into a gardener's spring state of mind and then a summer mindset, which appear to be quite distinct from the anxious fall state of mind. Looking past any particular bits of "wisdom", I believe that this feat is Johnson's book's greatest virtue. I cannot vouch much for the gardening tips; I myself am not involved in the hobby. What Johnson is able to demonstrate to me, however, is how to nurture a hobby. He shows us how to whole-heartedly pursue a secondary pursuit. Johnson truly loves gardening, and I recommend this book for anyone who wants to learn how the love of a hobby can breathe energy into you. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Putting Down Roots is wonderful...it's informative and fun. By A Customer I'm not much of a gardener or horticulturist. In fact, for several years, I have contemplated paving my yard. Pave it and paint it green. But Putting Down Roots has changed my opinion; now I'm anxious to plant, landscape, compost, and prune! Cliff has written a wonderful book. It's fun, informative, and very well-written. What's more, this is not a book just for gardeners and others of that ilk. This is a book for anyone that enjoys good writing. It's a keeper. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Gardening tales in a style reminiscent of James Herriot By A Customer Mr. Johnson has compiled a collection of his gardening articles and grouped them by season. The result is fun, informative, and very readable. His style is somehow reminiscent of the work of James Herriot in his "All Creatures Great and Small" series. But don't let the entertainment fool you--the gardening information is solid!

A delightful blend of gardening wisdom, wit and whimsy. Book is divided into Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn sections. Topics include selection and care of trees and shrubs; horticultural travelogues from trips to Greece, Turkey, Egypt and other destinations; gardening nostalgia and humor; interviews with gardening experts; how-to gardening advice for contending with Upper Midwest's weather extremes and other environmental stresses.

From the Author I've been writing a regular gardening column for a local newspaper for a number of years. A number of people suggested that the collection of my best columns would make an excellent and useful book for gardening enthusiasts. Since my professional work as a marketing consultant has involved desktop publishing, I decided to see if I could master the process of compiling the columns into book form. Although the project was more complicated than I initially envisioned, I can look back and say I enjoyed, and learned a great deal from, every step in the process. There truly is no horticultural common denominator to the subject matter in the book. Entries range from the care and feeding of a Chia Pet to selecting replacement trees following violent storms to how the horticulture of Egypt varies, or is similar, to Minnesota's. Many of the columns contain sound how-to information that should be useful to most gardeners. Examples include: how to start seeds and grow them under florescent lights in early spring; how to select flowers that attract butterflies; how to plant and prune trees; how to grow a healthy lawn; how to select firewood; and how to make great-tasting fresh salsa; how to make compost; and how to grow a 1,000-pound pumpkin. From the Back Cover "There are very few of my 300+ gardening books that I've read cover to cover, but that's what I did with this book. It's delightful and good storytelling!" Rebecca Kolls, Rebecca's Garden. "Cliff Johnson has interwoven gardening tips from his own life experience and from authorities throughout Minnesota. He combines useful information while placing Minnesota in a global gardening picture, with notes from his worldwide travels. From giant pumpkins, to new suggestions for shade trees, here is down-to-earth, reliable information for northern gardeners. Very enjoyable reading." Mary H. Meyer, Extension Horticulturist, University of Minnesota "This book is a welcome addition to the limited palette of horticultural information written specifically for Upper Midwest gardeners. It combines sound gardening experience with a bit of his personal background and a touch of local fare." Mike Heger, Owner, Ambergate Gardens, Victoria, Minnesota. "I really enjoyed this book. I found it all entertaining, easy to read, and sound information when it came to the discussions of trees and shrubs. I didn't pay too much attention to the articles on vegetable gardening since I still associate that with a form of punishment from my youth." Gary Johnson, Urban and Community Forester, University of Minnesota About the Author Cliff Johnson, 52, is a journalist and marketing consultant. In addition to maintaining his own 1-1/2 acre country garden, he is an active volunteer with the University of Minnesota Extension Service Master Gardener and Tree Care Advisor programs.