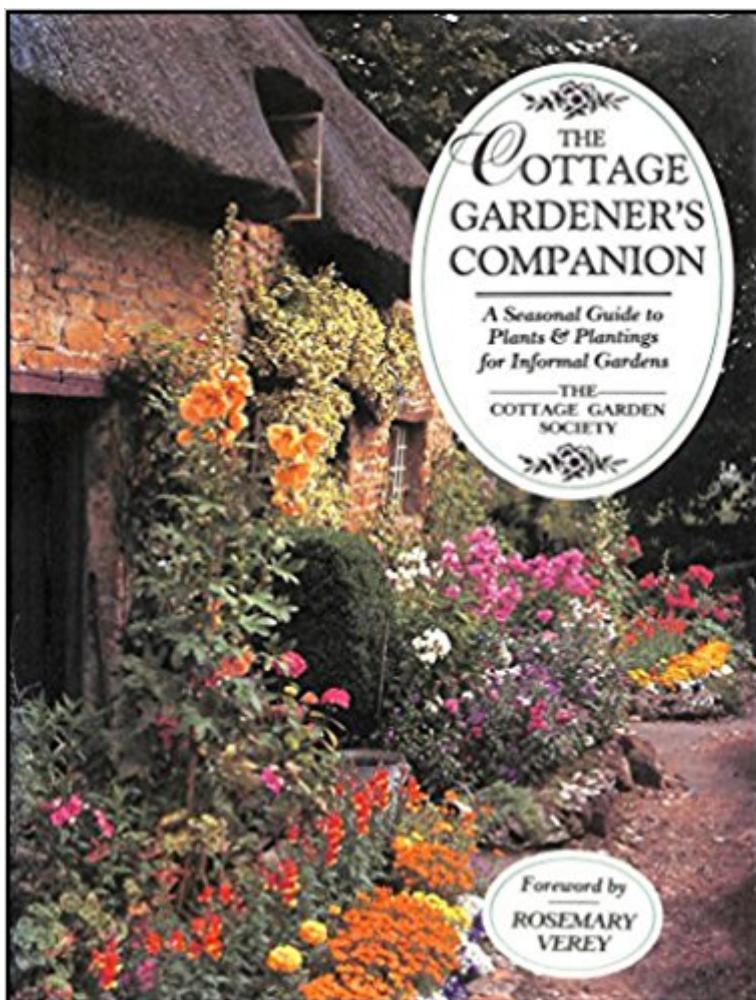


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# The Cottage Gardener's Companion: A Seasonal Guide To Plants & Plantings For Informal Gardens



## **Synopsis**

This is a guide to choosing and using plants to create an authentic cottage feel in a garden of any size. Descriptions of the cottage scene and the tasks to be performed each season of the year are followed by a detailed compendium of traditional cottage-garden plants to choose. Trees, shrubs, annuals and perennials, bulbs, herbs, old cottage favourites and curiosities are all described, while a wealth of plant combinations and schemes are suggested for all seasons and situations.

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This book had a lot of information but keep in mind it is from an English perspective and living in the South there were many things I could not implement but the book is wonderful.

Love everything about this book - the lay out, style; the tips on what to do for Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. Beautiful pictures of cottage style gardens. It was worth every penny I spent on it.

My wife and I are greatly impressed by the historical tidbits offered throughout the book on each plant, such as "Napoleon always gave a bunch of violets to Josephine on their wedding anniversary, and after he died a few dried violet flowers were found in his locket along with a lock of her hair. In folklore the violet is the symbol of fidelity." I have been looking for plants that can extend our growing and flowering season in Denver, Colorado throughout the winter and in a protected area we were able to see our first blooms in mid-January with the help of this book. Also helpful are the listing of latin names and common names for each plant and a listing of "Sources of Plants" in

case your local garden center doesn't stock them. This book is fun reading-almost like a novel.

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