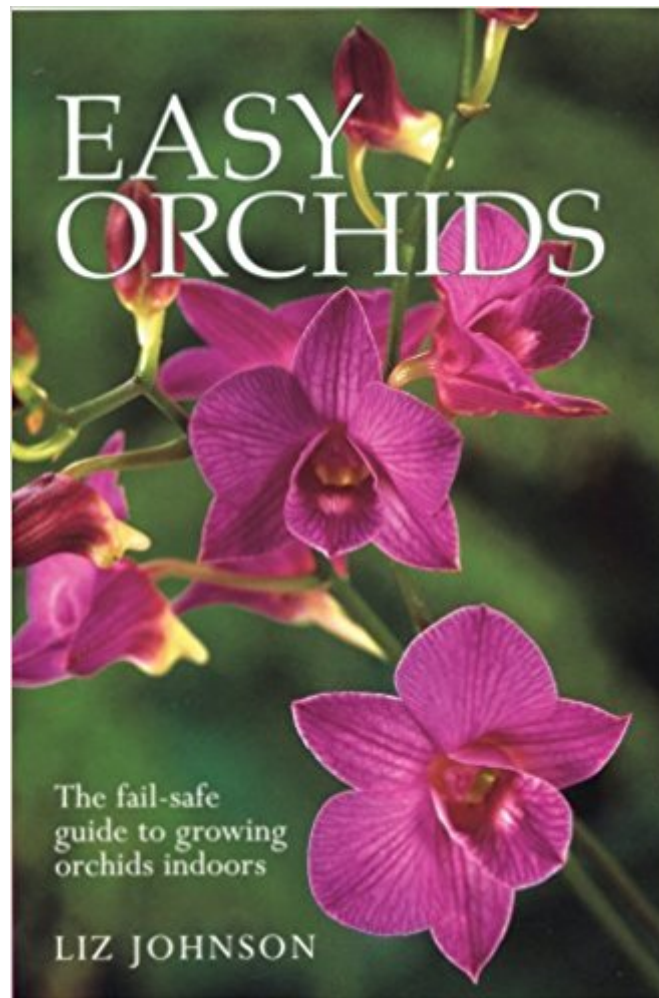




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Easy Orchids: The Fail-Safe Guide To Growing Orchids Indoors



Synopsis

Advances in home climate technology have spurred a dramatic rise in the popularity of orchids as houseplants. Wide availability and affordability have made them far more accessible. Modern orchid varieties are hardy and come in a vast array of colors and sizes to suit any gardener's home environment. Easy Orchids shows just how easy it is to fill the home year-round with these colorful and scented blooms. The book is packed with glorious color photographs of orchids from around the world and gives practical guidance and expert tips in a clear and easy-to-use format. Topics include: Extensive A-Z orchid directory of plants Cool, warm and intermediate varieties Choosing a healthy plant and checklist for buying orchids online Transporting and importing plants Detailed cultivation instructions Strength of fragrance and size of bloom Ease of growth and ideal growing temperature and location Watering and humidity levels Feeding, potting and seasonal care. Using Easy Orchids, gardeners everywhere will discover how fail-safe and rewarding it can be to grow orchids at home.

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Proven, simple, yet expert advice on growing a wide range of orchids in the home. (Ken Smith London Free Press 2006-04-08)Johnson takes a calm and simple approach to growing one of the most popular, yet confounding, houseplants... easy to read and follow... lovely color photographs. (Marty Wingate Seattle Post-Intelligencer 2005-09-24)[Recommended as a book for novices] A clear guide to all the main types and the most reliable cultivars. (Vancouver Sun

2005-07-22) Well-illustrated advice on picking appropriate orchids, caring for them, and displaying them attractively... Orchids for the rest of us -- there's an idea whose time appears to have come. (HortIdeas) This utilitarian manual to orchids as houseplants succeeds admirably in its aim to provide a practical, concise, easy-to-use guide that is suitable for those with little or no experience of growing orchids. Johnson, owner of McBean's Orchids in Essex, England, a company that's been growing orchids since 1879, instructs readers on how to choose the right orchid for their home...and explores options for procuring the right orchid. Detailed advice on feeding, watering and repotting, as well as tips for dealing with pests and diseases further increase readers' chances of successfully growing these lovely but temperamental plants. Johnson moves on to giving hints for displaying orchids and addresses common concerns and simple solutions. Finally, she presents a substantial directory, which profiles hundreds of different kinds of orchids--all capable of being grown in the average home by novice growers--and provides instructions for meeting the individual needs of each species. (Publishers Weekly 2005-03-14) Especially useful for the home grower is "Easy Orchids"... Here are 85 orchids most suitable for the home -- with detailed information on daily care. (John Van de Water Newark Star-Ledger 2005-08-07) Advises novices choosing the right orchid for their home... features horticultural tips; the pretty photos are a nice plus. (Phillip Oliver Library Journal) Both common and unusual cultivars... concise, pertinent, practical information in an easy to find format. (Adele Kleine Current Books on Gardening and Botany [Chicago Bot]) This guide shows how to choose the right orchids for your home and then, in easy terms, explains how to care for them. (John Bagnasco Garden Compass) This easy-to-use book is filled with important facts and expert techniques... a fabulous book that covers everything in a no-no-nonsense manner. (Biology Digest) Beautifully illustrated and up-to-date... gardeners of all levels will discover how fail-safe it can be to grow orchids. (Michigan Gardener)

Liz Johnson is a member of the Royal Horticultural Society, an orchid judge and the owner of McBean's Orchids, a company that has been growing orchids since 1879.

The book arrived promptly and in excellent condition. It is filled with gorgeous pictures. Good luck trying to find the orchids featured. But the thing that fails to satisfy: the information offered is a brief description of only the most basic kind for absolute beginners. Little if anything is offered you can't find on the web. It is a very attractive coffee table book. But even for a beginner I would suggest something with more depth of substance.

Beautiful book and the illustrations are just terrific. It's exactly what I was hoping for. Vicki M.

A straight forward great book for a beginning orchid fan.

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This is a good book for beginner orchid growers and novice hobbyists. The book gives basic information and good photos for the novice. This book is appropriate for the home growing orchid lover.

The information on growing orchids in this guide was good and easily understood. Although it was not the greatest plant guide I have had, it did provide me with enough information to be able to rescue two dying orchid plants.

Super fast shipping! Love the book!

This is a great book if you have just discovered orchids. Very good photos that go along with very helpful information about the general care of the plant. Arrived very quickly from when it was purchased and in great condition.

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