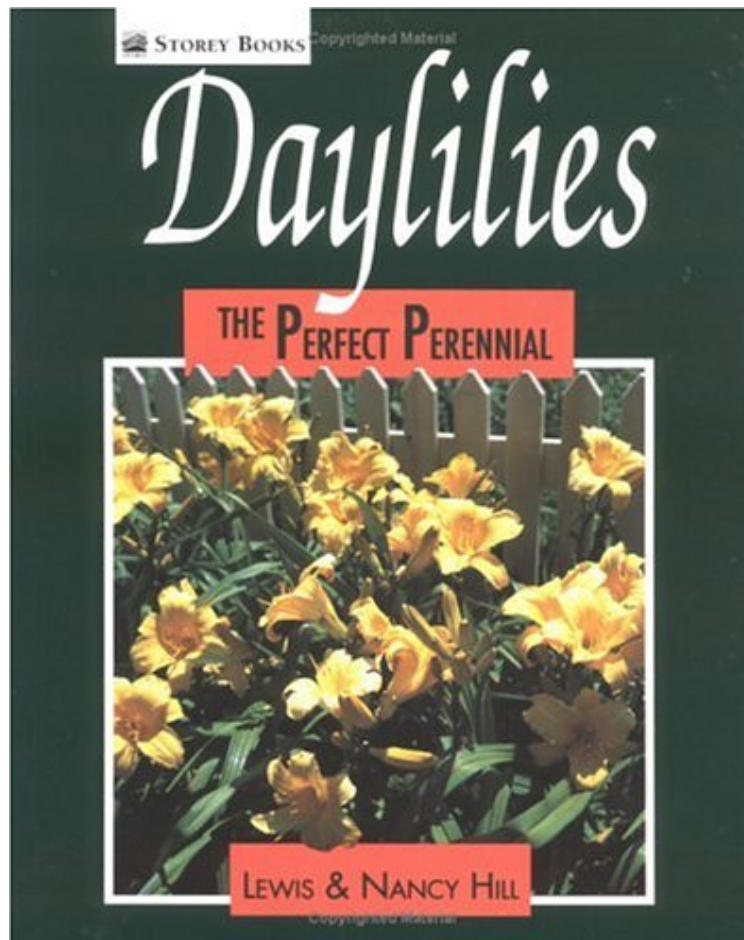


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Lewis and Nancy Hill : Daylilies: The Perfect Perennial before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Daylilies: The Perfect Perennial:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. InformativeBy trishaaThere are many many books written about the Hemerocallis, commonly known as the daylily, and I have found that I can glean at least one or two new pieces of information from each one. This particular book by authors Lewis and Nancy Hill will take you from the origins of this great perennial to the culture of the plant to choosing the right one for your garden. It has a list of over 200 cultivars and many beautiful full color pictures. It explains the type of soil they require (I have found that they will grow anywhere that there is a modicum of dirt and sunshine) and just how to make their roots happy. They are tough plant and can come through some devastating weather conditions. Although this book was written in 1991 the facts are still pertinent today. The only thing that is different is the hundreds and hundreds of new and exciting cultivars that have come on the market. If you are just starting out on your love affair with the daylily then this is a good starting book as it will increase your basic knowledge of a great foundational plant for your garden.38 of 40 people found the

following review helpful. Daylilies in reviewBy Margaret S. CooneyAs I started reading it, many of my impressions and assumptions about daylilies disintegrated and a whole new concept was formed. They originated in Asia and there are more than 32,000 cultivars. Some consider them to be the perfect perennial because they tolerate a variety of conditions. Culture, pest, and propagation is covered along with requirements for registering new cultivars. It gives advice on which cultivars are best suited for your soil. Lists of cultivars are useful for selection since they indicate what size they are and how hardy they are. Good book!7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Great Book for BeginnersBy Julia d.I purchased this book since I had no prior knowledge of daylilies. This is a good book to provide the "beginner" with overview of daylilies. Only subject I found so far which was missing from this book was a more thorough explanation of when transplanting or planting bareroot daylilies there is a period where the plants outer leaves will die off and new growth will begin. If I hadn't asked on a garden forum about this, I would have assumed I was killing my daylilies. An updated publishing of this book would be better as well but content is still okay.Overall, it's still a good reference but not for a more experienced daylily gardener.

Daylilies are the perfect perennial -- they come in a rainbow of colors, are hardy and low-maintenance in a wide range of climates, and grow well in almost any soil and light conditions. Learn how to select the right daylilies for your yard or garden, design beautiful plantings that will deliver flowers throughout the season, and care for your growing plants. The authors include a comprehensive listing of more than 200 daylily cultivars with at-a-glance information on color, foliage, height, blossom size, bloom season, bloom duration, fragrance, and more.

From Publishers WeeklyDaylilies, as the Hills proclaim, may be the perfect perennial. Requiring little maintenance, adaptable to an almost unlimited range of landscapes and climates and available in an extraordinary selection of colors, textures, fragrances and sizes, they proliferate nearly as quickly as they're bred--though each flower blooms for only a day. Now that more than 42,000 varieties flourish, the Hills' guide seems particularly useful. It begins with practical information on how to choose, grow and maintain daylilies, and progresses to more esoteric details, such as how to arrange them ok?/mm and how to preserve them on film. If the latter seems a bit extreme, the authors come back down to earth at book's end with a comprehensive listing of their favorite cultivars. Horticulturists particularly will appreciate chapters on starting new plants from existing ones and counsel on breeding original cultivars. Illustrations and photos not seen by PW. Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. " The classic book on the plant comes from the prolific keyboard of Vermont nurseryman and gardener Lewis Hill and his wife Nancy." - Toronto Free Press "pleasantly arranged, easy-reading book that takes the gardener on a friendly tour through the many facets of daylilies and their care." - The Times " Longtime daylily experts and breeders, the Hills share solid information on growing, propagating, and caring for daylilies, right down to such small details as to how to label the plants." - Gardener's West