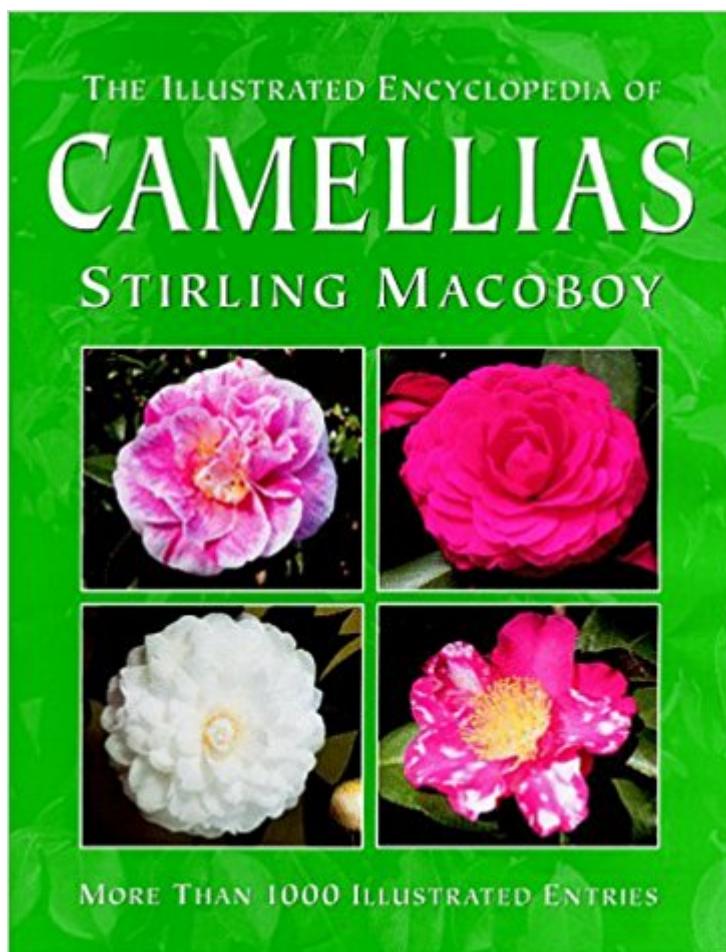


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# The Illustrated Encyclopedia Of Camellias



## **Synopsis**

Hardy camellias reward the gardener with striking and profuse blooms at a time of year when the rest of the garden sleeps. This encyclopedia is the definitive guide to these beautiful and varied flowering plants.

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Camellias are valued for their lovely flowers, which bloom when other flowering plants are resting, for their generally compact, formal habit, and for their evergreen leaves. Books about flowers are valued for stunning photographs, good organization and writing, and useful cultivation information, and this encyclopedia meets those requirements. Internationally recognized Australian author and gardener Macoboy presents here more than 1000 of the world's most popular camellias, with every entry illustrated by a color photograph. Entries are well placed with the photos and give the expected descriptions, which include flower form, color and size, parentage, date of registration, plant habit, and flowering season. The writing is informal and graceful. Of Arabian Nights, Macoboy says "There is little to connect this pretty camellia with the raunchy nocturnal enticements featured in the original translation of this oriental classic." Feature essays, illustrated with paintings by Paul Jones, provide background on camellia history, foliage, sports, and hybrids. There is a glossary and an extensive index. Recommended for all horticulture collections and wherever there is an interest in camellias. ?Carol Cubberley, Univ. of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

This definitive guide to camellias by Stirling Macoboy, a leading expert on the genus, with the support of coauthor Roger Mann, presents 1,096 of the most popular species, cultivars, and hybrids. Each entry includes the flower's description (the color and form of petals), cultivars' names and synonyms, Chinese and Japanese names (as a point of fact, camellias were first cultivated in China and Japan), the date of registration, parentage, flowering season, and other historical information. In addition, each entry is illustrated by a stunning color photograph; additionally, there are 19 color paintings, 17 black-and-white drawings, and 2 black-and-white photographs. Rounding out the coverage is a brief chapter on the cultivation of camellias, and a glossary. George Cohen

This book presents over 1000 varieties of Camellias with short descriptions, parentage and flower period. The most remarkable point is that all varieties are illustrated with stunning photographies. The Camellias are grouped in several chapters: species, sasanquas, japonicas, higos, reticulatas and hybrids with short introductions dealing with their characteristics. The reader will see the full scope of Camellias and has the chance to compare synonymies, even chinese/japanese names are listed. However, of the 300 pages there are only 9 pages dedicated to the cultivation of Camellias. A hobby gardener interested how to grow Camellias will be disappointed.

Very good and useful book. We grow camellias.

Informative, beautiful color photographs of camellias with name, origin and source. Clear and concise. Well researched. A delight and knowledgeable guide for novice and expert.

A wonderful book for all gardeners !!

I am giving this as a Christmas present so I am not sure how they will like it but the book arrived on time and was in excellent shape.

Item was in excellent condition

This is a real beauty. It's quite informative. I can't wait to share it with my camellia addicted friends. It really piques my spring fever.

This is a great reference on Camellias. It tells you all about the different types and their bloom times. Best of all, it has tons of pictures - all close up of a bloom so you know exactly what each camellia looks like. An essential resource for anyone wanting to research what camellias to purchase.

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