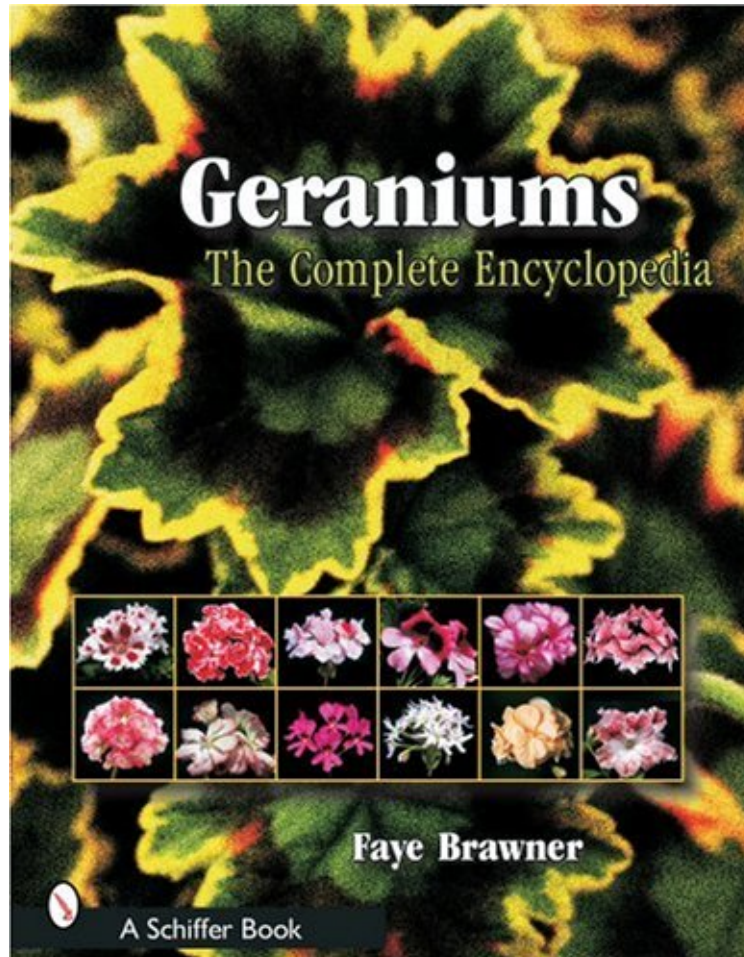


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Not what I was looking for...By Dr. Donald R. RasmussenI needed to return this book, the print type was so small that I couldn't read it. Also, the book didn't contain what I was looking for. It was a compendium of various sorts of geraniums and I was looking for ideas for propagation by cuttings, and wintering over indoors. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The book is very useful if you are attempting to grow them the first time...By GabrielThe book is very useful if you are attempting to grow them the first time. Though not particularly hard to grow (Relative to your climate and your location), this book may still offer some good advice. The book speaks much about hybridizing history. Though I don't use that in the field, you may find that information useful if you want to know about the hybridizing genealogy, and if you are in that field in particular. There are some lost hybridizing records awaiting to be rediscovered and the book may offer much information. What I

would like to see in the coming editions: More advice on hybridizing and elaborate the topic of propagation. I've recently learned and tried to propagate Pelargoniums by leaf cuttings, but I did not see any reference in that book. There is some success but is more prone to fail, and results seem to come-out more slowly. The book gives general information about species (Wild species, not hybrids). For those among you wishing to learn about the subject, I recommend the two following books:- Pelargoniums, a guide to the species (Diana Miller, 1996)- The Pelargonium family (William Webb, 1984)The two books are out of print but may be offered on second-hand market. 16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. Faye Brawner's guide to geraniums(pelargoniums)By James C. EllisI have been collecting pelargoniums for 20 years. Mrs. Brawner's book is the best available guide ever to the cultivars and how to grow them. The color pictures are abundant and of excellent quality. Please note that this book uses the common American name 'geranium' for the plants that are known to science as pelargoniums. If you want to grow perennial, cold-hardy geraniums you will need a different book.

This beautiful and comprehensive volume on easy-to-grow geraniums (pelargoniums) provides a wealth of new information for hobby growers from all climates, including valuable tips on the challenges each region presents. Chapters provide detailed background on the many varieties of geraniums, including scented leaf pelargoniums, zonals, dwarfs, stellars, regals, angels, and more. Hundreds of stunning photographs provide a visual reference of the many colors available. Current and aspiring gardeners will find practical information on propagation and hybridization, pots and potting soils, food and water, and dealing with diseases and insect pests. In addition, many common errors in plant nomenclature are corrected. This is a wonderful reference for everyone who enjoys beautiful flowers, on windowsills or in the garden.

About the AuthorFaye Brawner has been growing geraniums for forty years in many sections of the country, moving her plants each time her husband's job dictated a transfer. She has traveled extensively in her quest to establish correct nomenclature for the many misnamed hybrids. She lives in West Virginia.