

## CCCSS Library List

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The description for each includes Title, Authors, Year Published, number of pages, binding (SB=soft bound (paperback), HB = hard bound), a loose classification (specialty, general) and some description to guide you to the content and level of the publication.

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Adenium: Sculptural Elegance, by Dimmitt, Joseph & Palzkill – 2009, 152 pages, SB  
-specialty, history, cultivation, cultivars & hybrids in detail plus 490 color photos

Agaves of Continental North America, by H S Gentry – 1982, 670 pages, HB  
-specialty, the classic reference book on this group, detailed info on 136 species

Agaves, Yuccas and Related Plants, by M & G Irish – 2000, 384 pages, HB (2 copies)  
-general, a gardeners guide to these striking drought-tolerant landscape plants

Ariocarpus et cetera, by Pilbeam & Wrightman – 2006, 138 pages, HB  
-general, beautifully illustrated and detailed treatment of 17 genera of unique Mexican cacti

Bromeliads for the Contemporary Garden, by A. Steens – 2003, 198 pages, HB  
-specialty, 300 color photos, descriptions, cultivation info on 200 desirable species

Beauty of Bromeliads, by Tony Lea - 1984, 34 pages, large format SB  
-specialty, 62 color photos and informal descriptions, a good beginners guide to these plants

Bromeliads, a Cultural Manual, Bromeliad Society Int, Dimmitt, M ed. – 1992, 44 pages, SB  
-specialty, color photos and text, an overview

Book of Cacti & Other Succulents, by Claude Chidamian – 1958, 242 pages, HB (2 copies)  
-general, dated but still about the best beginners book ever printed, start with this one

Cacti, by Cerutti & Starosta – 1998, 124 pages, HB  
-general, coffee table book of cacti photos, very nice presentation

Cacti, Botanical Aspects, Descriptions & Cultivation, by Barthlott – 1979, 134 pages, HB  
-specialty, in depth guide to cacti, advanced but easy to read study of cacti botany

Cacti and their Cultivation, by Martin, Chapman & Auger – 1971, 194 pages, SB

-good cactus cultivation primer, older book but very readable, many B&W illustrations

Cacti and Succulents in Habitat, by Ken Preston-Mafham -- 1994, 160 pages, HB  
-general, 170 habitat photos from Bolivia, SW USA and South Africa with descriptive text

Cacti & Succulents, by Gina Pavey - 1979, 60 pages, HB  
-general, coffee table book of cacti photos, very nice presentation

Cacti and Succulents for the Amateur, by Glass and Foster – 1977, 72 pages, SB  
-general, a classic beginners book, somewhat dated

Cacti and Succulents for Cold Climates, by Leo Chance, 2012, 328 pages, HB  
-general, North county special! 274 plants and lots of good tips for arid, cold hardy situations

Cacti as Decorative Plants, by Jack Krammer – 1974, 115 pages, HB  
-general, basic and somewhat dated beginners book on cacti

Cacti of the Southwest, by Del Weninger - 1978 reprint, 249 pages, HB  
-specialty, a classic study from the University of Texas press.

Cacti, Agaves, & Yuccas of California and Nevada, by Stephen Ingram – 2008, 243 pages, HB  
-general, regional guide to plants in our area, spectacular photos, text and location data

Cacti for the Amateur, by Scott Haselton – 1940, 130 pages, HB  
-general, a classic early book by the founder of Abbey Gardens Press, dated but very cool

Cacti of the United States and Canada, The, by Lyman Benson – 1982, 1044 pages, HB  
-specialty, the master reference for North American Cacti, descriptions, maps, photos, drawings

Cactus; A Prickly Portrait of a Desert Eccentric, by Hinrich and Zurek – 1995, 96 pages, HB  
-review, a coffee table book of really nice cactus photos, enjoy the beauty

Cactus Handbook, The, by Erick Haustein – 1988, 320 pages, HB  
-general, good basic book on cacti but somewhat dated and a bit deep but still recommended

Caudiciform & Pachycaul Succulents, by Gordon Rowley - 1987, 282 pages, HB  
-general, beautiful coffee table book that really ignited the “fat plant” fad – a must read

Christmas Cacti, by J. F. Haroben & A. J. S. McMillan -- 1995, 160 page, SB  
-specialty, guide to the genus Schlumbergia and hybrids, 120 photos, ID and culture info

Color Encyclopedia of Succulents, by Japan Succulent Society – 1981, 120 pages, PB  
-general, text is in Japanese but photos are excellent, curious but good

Complete Encyclopedia of Cacti, by Subik & Kunte – 2003, 288 pages, HB  
-general, nicely done, recent overview, good for all levels

Crassula, A Growers Guide, by Gordon Rowley -- 2008, 247 pages, HB  
-specialty, updated guide for growers, extending the work of Vera Higgins 1964 book

Cycads of South Africa, by Cynthia Giddy – 1974, 112 pages, HB  
-specialty, a bible for Cycad lovers, well written with excellent photos

Designing with Succulents, by Debra Lee Baldwin – 2007, 255 pages, HB (2 copies)  
-general, creative looks at landscape design possibilities using succulents – a must read

Didiereaceae, Cacti of the Old World, by Gordon Rowley -- 1992, 35 page, SB  
-specialty, a review of this small genera from the Madagascar thorn forests

Discocactus, by Buining, Brederoo, Diers & Theunissen – 1980, 223 pages, SB  
-specialty, the only specialist treatment of the Brazilian species of Discocactus

Dudleya and Hasseanthus Handbook, by Paul Thompson – 1993, 248 pages, HB  
-specialty, one of few published works on Dudleya, photos, descriptions, maps, and much more

The Genus Echeveria, by John Pilbeam, 2008, 333 pages, HB  
-specialty, full treatment of 140 species of this popular group, 474 color photos, easy to read

Echinocereus, by John Pilbeam, 2011, 178 pages, HB  
-specialty, up to date look at the “hedgehogs”, native to the US and Mexico these striking, mostly cold hardy plants are suitable for landscape or planter especially in cold, dry climates.

Genus Echinocereus, The, by Nigel Taylor – 1985, 172 pages, HB  
-specialty, American edition of a Kew Magazine monograph on this popular genera

Epiphyllum, the Splendor of Leaf Cacti, by Marga Leue – 1987, 125 pages, HB  
-specialty, coffee table book of color epi photos, text in English and German

Epiphyllum Handbook, by Scott Haselton -- 1951, 231 pages, SB  
-specialty, an overview from Abby Gardens Press, a classic for this group

Encyclopedia of Cacti, by Cullman, Gotz & Groner – 1986, 340 pages, HB  
-general, guide to over 750 cacti species with detailed descriptions of form and flower

Euphorbia Journal by Dr. H. Schwartz & R. LaFon - a 10 volume masterwork on this group  
-each volume stands alone but builds upon and updates the prior numbers. A master index of all volumes is provided in volume 10

Volume 1 - 1983, 130 pages

Volume 2 - 1984, 154 pages

Volume 3 - 1985, 154 pages

Volume 4 - 1986, 143 pages

Volume 5 - 1987, 162 pages

Volume 6 - 1988, 154 pages

Volume 7 - 1989, 170 pages  
Volume 8 - 1990, 154 pages  
Volume 9 - 1994, 250 pages  
Volume 10 - 1997, 243 pages

Ferocactus, by John Pilbeam & Derek Bowdery -- 2005, 116 pages, HB  
-specialty, an easy read that fully covers the group, history, descriptions and photos for ID

A Gardener's Guide to Cactus, by Scott Calhoun – 2012. 227 pages, SB  
-general, the 100 best cacti and how to use them in your garden or container, planting and care tips.

Genus Haworthia, The, a Taxonomic Revision, by Charles Scott – 1984, 150 pages, HB  
-specialty, one of several definitive works on this taxonomically difficult group

Growing Cacti & Succulents, by Douglas Bartrum – 1974, 216 pages, HB  
-general, a pocket guide, dated but still a good beginners book, lots of illustrations

Growing Classic Cactus, by Marcus Schneck – 1998, 112 pages, SB  
-general, beginners guide to culture and care of 150 popular cacti

Growing Succulent Plants including Cacti, by Victor Graham – 1987, 200 pages, HB  
-general, excellent beginners book

Guide to the Aloes of South Africa, by Van Wyk & Smith -- 1996, 304 pages, HB  
-specialty, best starter book for Aloe lovers, 400 photos, descriptions, history, culture notes

Guide to Cacti & Succulents, by M. Pizzeti – 1985, 384 pages, SB  
-general, user friendly beginners guide to all things C&S, detailed info on over 300 entries

Haseltonia #1 1993, CSSA Yearbook – 1993, SB  
-specialty, articles inc, Abby Garden Press, Engelmann, Conophytum, Tacitus, Echidnopsis

Haworthia for the Collector, by Rudolf Schulz, 2009, 240 pages, HB  
-specialty, a book for the collector focused on the plants, not taxonomy, all you need to care for and enjoy this popular group of colorful plants

Hoya Basics, Beginners Guide, by Dale Kloppenburg -- 1999, 44 pages, SB  
-specialty, easy to comprehend guide to Hoya, covers plant basics plus care, diseases, pests

Illustrated Encyclopedia of Cacti, The, by Clive Innes & Charles Glass – 1999, 320 pages, HB  
-general, working reference for all levels, 1200+ varieties with id and cultural information

Illustrated Handbook of Succulent Plants, Crassulaceae, Urs Eggli, ed – 2003, 458 pages, HB  
-specialty, a complete treatment of the family, key, description & location data for 1410 taxa in 33 genera including Aeonium, Crassula, Dudleya, Echeveria, Kalanchoe, Sedum and Tylecodon

Illustrated Handbook of Succulent Plants, Monocotyledons, Urs Eggli, ed – 2001, 386 pages, HB  
-specialty, covers plants from 17 families & 64 genera, over 1100 taxa, included are Agave, Aloe, Doryanthes, Haworthia, Bulbine, Sansevieria & bulbous xerophytes from several genera

Lithops, Flowering Stones, by Desmond T. & Naureen A. Cole -- 2005, 368 pages, HB  
-specialty, the updated 2nd edition by Cactus & Co. the definitive work on this popular group

Mammillaria (The Cactus File Handbook), by John Pilbeam – 1999, 376 pages, HB  
-specialty, a must read for Mamm fans, 425 photos, descriptions, maps, & readable for all

Mammillaria, A Collector's Guide, by John Pilbeam – 1981, 165 pages, HB  
-specialty, a prequel to the above book, long the reference book for Mamm fans, photos, care etc.

Mesembs, The New Growing the, by Ed Storms – 1976, 58 pages, SB  
-general, about the earliest mesemb book from an expert nurseryman, good, simple information

Mesembs of the World, by Gideon Smith and others, 2012, 408 pages, HB  
-general, a great overview of current mesemb (ice plant) groups and plants, identification, cultivation, distribution and uses of the large and unique group of plants. A must read for mesemb fans

Pachycaul and Caudiciform Plants, A Guide to Growing, Philippe de Vosjoli – 2009, 319 Pages, SB  
-great beginners guide to “fat plants” also Rob's bible. Good information on culture for this area

Pachyforms II, Bonsai Succulents, by Philippe de Vosjoli & Rudy Lime – 2007, 388 pages, SB  
-general, part II of this series, 300 photos, tips from the “Father of Succulent Bonsai”, Rudy Lime

Prickly Pears Commonly Found In the US & Northern Mexico, Green & Ferguson – 2011, 140 pages, SB  
-general, Charles Spotts' favorite book on his favorite subject. Great primer, full of info and pics

Sansevieria Trifasciata Varieties, The, by B. Juan Chahinian – 1986, 109 pages, HB  
-specialty, a review of the many forms exhibited in this diverse group

Stuck on Cactus: A Beginners Guide, by David E. Wright – 1997, 96 pages, SB  
-general, light-hearted beginners guide to owning and raising cacti

Succulent and Xerophytic Plants of Madagascar, by Werner Rauh  
-general, a two volume coffee table size set resulting from Professor Rauh's study of Madagascar. Text and beautiful photos cover the island's many zones and include both flora and fauna. Not likely to ever be reproduced.

Volume I – 1991, 400 pages, HB

Volume II – 1995, 385 pages, HB (includes index to both volumes)

Succulent Compositae, by Gordon Rowley – 1994, 238 pages, HB  
-general, a book dedicated to 80 selected succulent species of two genera; Othonna & Senecio

Succulent Container Gardens, by Debra Lee Baldwin – 2010, 248 pages, HB  
-general, a companion to her “Designing with Succulents”, full of photos, ideas & plant info

Succulents: The Illustrated Dictionary, by M. Sajeve & M. Costanzo – 1994, 239 pages, HB  
-general, an illustrated A-Z look at 195 genera from 35 plant families, 1200 photos, good for IDs

Succulents II: The Illustrated Dictionary, by M. Sajeve & M. Costanzo – 2000, 234 pages, HB  
-general, Volume II which is a continuation of the above, lots of photos, good for IDs

Succulent Plants of the World, by Fred Dortort – 2011, 344 pages, HB  
-general, good, easy to read current overview of collectable succulents, outstanding photos

Succulents, a Series of books by Rudolf Schulz & Attila Kapitany  
-general, this series of books is a great reference for beginners and old hands. Full of great examples of choosing and using succulents in the garden or landscape. Photos, culture tips, ideas, resources & more

- Succulents, Care & Health, 2003, 100 pages, SB
- Succulents for the Garden, 2006, 96 pages, SB
- More Succulents for the Garden, 2007, 94 pages, SB

Sulcorebutia and Weingartia, A Collector’s Guide, by John Pilbeam – 1985, 144 pages, HB  
-specialty, excellent beginners guide to these amazing & popular flowering cacti

The Wonderful World of Succulents, by Werner Rauh – 1984, 180 pages, HB  
-general, an overview of many popular succulent plants, lots of detail on species covered

Wild Cactus, by Rose Houk – 1996, 128 pages, HB  
-general, like a national park guide, nature photographer George Huey’s photos, info of interest

Zygocactus (Schlumbergera), by Mark Cobia – 1992, 58 pages, SB  
-specialty, a basic introduction to the world of Zygocactus, commonly called “Christmas cactus”

We also have some Magazines & Journals

Amateur’s Digest edited by Marina Welham – a sample issue from 2002

American Desert, 4 issues, Dec. 92 - fall 93

Cactus File, The, vol.2 No.7 Nov. 1995, vol.2 No.8 Feb. 1996

CSSA Journals (1950 – 2009), some years incomplete

Desert Plants, vol . 1- 11, vol. 4 in book format special issue

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