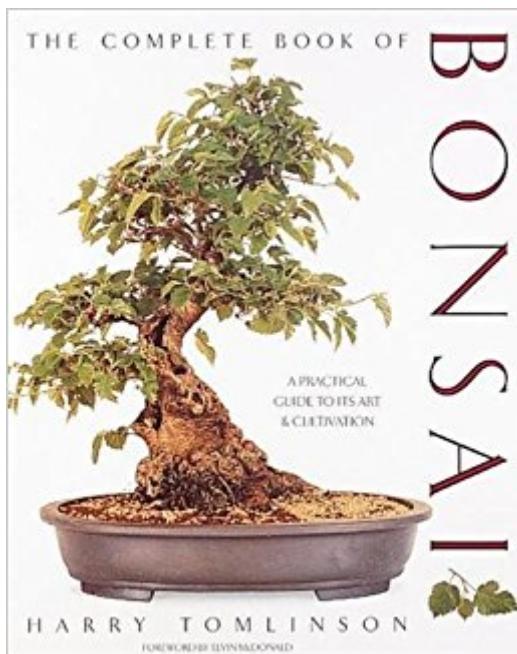


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The Complete Book Of Bonsai: A Practical Guide To Its Art And Cultivation



Synopsis

CLASSIC STYLES EXPLAINEDThe origins and development of bonsai are traced, and the underlying principles of this fascinating art clearly explained. The classic styles are listed and illustrated, together with full descriptions of how they were derived from models in the world. Outstanding examples of plantings in all of the various styles are shown. The types of containers are detailed, and the importance of their use for different trees or styles explained. Advice is given on placing and exhibiting your completed bonsai. **CLEAR STEP-BY-STEP SEQUENCES**There is comprehensive information on how to create a bonsai from a seedling, cutting, or garden center plant. Clear step-by-step sequences take you from the initial raw material through to the finished bonsai, showing the superb results that can be achieved. All the tools and techniques of bonsai are illustrated and explained, and their use described in detail. Maintenance and propagation sections tell you everything you need to know to keep your bonsai beautiful and healthy, or to create your own trees. **DETAILS OF MORE THAN 100 SPECIES**A photographic catalogue of bonsai trees and shrubs lies at the heart of the book, providing the cultivation and styling details of over 100 different species. Each entry is accompanied by an original full-color photograph of at least one outstanding specimen. This section is supplemented by a further compendium of trees and shrubs that can be grown as bonsai, giving a total of over 300 to choose from. The Complete Book of Bonsai reveals every aspect of the art, with inspirational ideas and practical advice at every turn. Whether you are a beginner who would like to grow just one or two trees, or an experienced enthusiast who wishes to build up a whole collection, it is the essential reference work.

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"This is the most thorough, lavishly...illustrated book any bonsai enthusiast could wish for, written with clarity and inspiration by one of Europe's leading experienced authorities." *Choice* "The authors passion for his subject is communicated on every page." *Elle Decor* "The photographs alone are worth the purchase price." *The Sacramento (Calif.) Bee*

Harry Tomlinson is one of Europe's leading bonsai artists and instructors. He has been both studying and practicing the principles of bonsai for almost thirty years, and is an internationally recognized authority on the subject. He has exhibited bonsai and gained awards in Britain and Japan, and has judged the bonsai section at Britain's world-famous Chelsea Flower Show. For the past thirteen years the author has been a professional bonsai artist with his own studio, and is a leading bonsai nurseryman. Greenwood Bonsai Studio, which he runs with his wife Christine, is the largest and most complete bonsai nursery in Britain. Elvin McDonald, who wrote the Foreword, is Director of Special Projects at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

The Complete Book of Bonsai by Harry Tomlinson is among the best I've read, probably 2nd only to *The Bonsai Art of Kamura* (for the fan or advanced practitioner). It covers a broad range of trees in various styles and at various ages, with plenty of full color illustrations. Many start to finish examples are given, with different viewing angles and close ups. I recommend it for both those starting out as well as those desiring to "branch out". Its compendium at the back with care instructions is very complete. Probably one of the best all in one Bonsai publications.

Harry Tomlinson has created a tome easy to read and apply when working with bonsai. Other books bog down and are too vague for most hobbyists. This reference is clear and easy to follow.

The book is OK, it contains some brief information on the basics of the art. However much of this can be accessed online, with much more detail and examples. The one good point about this book is its nice pictures and decent species list. If you want a book to skim through during the TV commercials, this is it.

Excel ant book, especially for someone who doesn't know anything about bonsai!

This is a nice book but I should have purchased a coffee table book of this beautiful art.

This is an outstanding book! I knew next to nothing on bonsai and wanted to know more before buying one. After reading this book, I know exactly which ones to stay away from for indoors and what is needed to keep the bonsai healthy. Absolutely excellent book for me as a beginner. I especially appreciate his going into details of the many trees, what to expect, and the beautiful photographs.

I had been entertaining the ideal of getting a couple of Bonsai trees. However, after a bit of reading decided it was not a good ideal...being that I do NOT have the appropriate environment. However, the book is a beautiful book and am glad I bought it...so I may not ever have a Bonsai..but I will know a lot about them.

Was given as a gift. Super book!

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