



King County Master Gardeners Approved Clinic References Guide – 2020

This guide has been updated for 2020, including the addition of a houseplant book (page 3, #14) that clinics may want to purchase. Sections of the guide include: **Required**, **Optional**, **Out-of-Print** and **No Longer Approved for Purchase**. A written request to the Program Coordinator (Mary Watts) is required to add clinic references not listed as approved in this guide. **Clinics should review their references annually and remove materials no longer useful or up to date.**

REFERENCES REQUIRED IN ALL CLINICS (4)	
1	Clinic Resource Box , including 2020 updates distributed in the 2/29/20 Spring Clinic Leaders Meeting. Our Puget Sound Tip Sheet #2, <i>Gardening Publications</i> , is a current listing (publication date 12/19) of all WSU publications (78) in the Clinic Resource Box. Clinics may want to supplement their references with any of the publications (44) listed in Tip Sheet #13, <i>Additional Gardening Publications</i> . Current Tip Sheets are posted at extension.wsu.edu/king/gardening/fact-sheets
2	Sunset Western Garden Book , 2012 edition
3	Landscape Plant Problems, A Pictorial Diagnostic Manual , #MISC0194, 2015 (blue spiral), \$35
4	<p>PNW Plant Disease Management Handbook, #MISC0048, 2020, \$70 (available late March). This publication will be purchased by the Foundation and provided to clinics in late March/early April. Online access to the latest handbook is available at pnwhandbooks.org/plantdisease. The PNW Weed and Insect handbooks are also available online at pnwhandbooks.org.</p> <p>Note: Certified WSU Master Gardener Volunteers may recommend chemical management options registered for home and garden use only from current WSU Extension references, which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WSU Extension publications (latest versions), available at http://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/ ▪ PNW Insect Management Handbook, pnwhandbooks.org/insect ▪ PNW Plant Disease Management Handbook, pnwhandbooks.org/plantdisease ▪ PNW Weed Management Handbook, pnwhandbooks.org/weed ▪ WSU Pest Leaflet Series (PLS) puyallup.wsu.edu/plantclinic/pls ▪ WSU Hortsense hortsense.cahnrs.wsu.edu ▪ WSU Pestsense (houseplant pests) pestsense.cahnrs.wsu.edu ▪ Grow Smart, Grow Safe www.growsmartgrowsafe.org <p>Note: MG Interns (who are not yet certified MGs) must make any pesticide recommendations to the public in consultation with a certified Master Gardener.</p>

APPROVED OPTIONAL REFERENCES (28)	
1	<i>American Horticultural Society Pruning and Training: A Fully Illustrated Plant-by-Plant Manual</i> , Christopher Brickell & David Joyce, 2011
2	<i>American Horticultural Society, A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants</i> , H. Marc Cathey, 2004. NOTE: This book is no longer in print (though still available used through Amazon, et al). A more recent publication, <i>AHS Encyclopedia of Plants & Flowers</i> , 2011, is not well organized for easy clinic reference.
3	<i>American Horticultural Society, Plant Propagation</i> , Alan Toogood, 1999
4	<i>Encyclopedia of Northwest Native Plants for Gardens and Landscapes</i> , Kathleen Robson, Alice Richter & Marianne Filbert, 2008
5	<i>Field Guide to the Trees of North America</i> , National Geographic, 2006
6	<i>Garden Insects of North America: The Ultimate Guide to Backyard Bugs</i> , Whitney Cranshaw & David Shetlar, 2017, 704 pgs. This 2nd edition is useful for advanced diagnosis, though should not be a clinic's only insect book. It has twice as many pictures (over 3,300) - all in color, and a new section on beneficials. It is somewhat better organized for clinic use than the original edition.
7	<i>Gardening with Native Plants in the Pacific Northwest</i> , Arthur Kruckeberg & Linda Chalker-Scott, 2019, 3 rd edition
8	<i>Herb Gardening for Washington and Oregon</i> , Marianne Binetti & Laura Peters, 2008
9	<i>Northwest Weeds</i> , #MISC0434, 1990. No longer available for sale at pubs.extension.wsu.edu Note that Hortsense now lists 85 weeds and includes color photographs and control advice: hortsense.cahnrs.wsu.edu
10	<i>Pacific Northwest Insects</i> , Merrill A. Peterson, 2018, 520 pages. This recent publication by Peterson (Entomology Professor at WWU and WSU) includes large color photos and size bars that aid in insect identification. For clinics wanting just one insect book, this would be recommended.
11	<i>Plants of the Pacific Northwest Coast</i> , Pojar & Mackinnon, 2016
12	<i>Smithsonian Encyclopedia of Garden Plants for Every Location</i> , edited by Zia Allaway, 2014, 400 pgs.
13	<i>Sunset Western Garden Book of Edibles: The Complete A-Z Guide to Growing Your Own Vegetables, Herbs and Fruits</i> , 2010

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14	<i>The Complete Houseplant Survival Manual, Essential Know-how for Keeping (Not Killing!) More Than 160 Indoor Plants</i> , Barbara Pleasant, 2005, 365 pages. Detailed descriptions of many houseplants (grouped by blooming and foliage, then family), including cultural needs, troubleshooting. Color photos. New addition to this list for 2020.
15	<i>The House Plant Expert</i> , 1999, D. G. Hessayon. This book is out-of-print, however used copies can be obtained.
16	<i>The House Plant Expert, Book Two</i> , 2005, D. G. Hessayon. This book is out-of-print, however used copies can be obtained.
17	<i>The Maritime Northwest Garden Guide</i> , Seattle Tilth, 2014, 128 pgs. Includes home remedies which Master Gardeners may not recommend.
18	<i>The New Vegetable Growers Handbook, a users manual for the organic vegetable garden</i> , Frank Tozer, 2013, 320 pgs.
19	<i>The Organic Gardener's Handbook of Natural Pest and Disease Control</i> , editor Barbara Ellis, 2010. Includes a number of home remedies. Includes chemical recommendations that may not be registered for use in Washington.
20	<i>The Pacific Northwest Gardener's Book of Lists</i> , Ray & Jan McNeilan, 1997. Be aware that parts of this book are out-of-date, recommending plants considered disease-prone or invasive, including Noxious Weeds (Japanese knotweed, <i>Buddleia davidii</i>, English Ivy, Pampas Grass, Bishop's Weed, spurge laurel, et al). Clinics should note this on the cover of their copies of this book.
21	<i>The Well-Tended Perennial Garden: Planting & Pruning Techniques</i> , Tracy DiSabato-Aust, 2006
22	<i>Trees & Shrubs of the Pacific Northwest</i> , Mark Turner & Ellen Kuhlmann, 2014, 448 pgs.
23	<i>Water Garden Plants, Timber Press Pocket Guide</i> , Greg & Sue Speichert, 2008, 212 pgs.
24	<i>Weeds of the West</i> , #WYWSWS001 (@pubs.wsu.edu), 2012. Note: This book is no longer available. Also, be aware that Hortsense now lists 85 weeds and includes color photographs and control advice.
25	<i>What's Wrong with my Fruit Garden?</i> , Deardorff & Wadsworth, 2014
26	<i>What's Wrong with my Houseplant?</i> , Deardorff & Wadsworth, 2016
27	<i>What's Wrong with my Plant?</i> , David Deardorff & Kathryn Wadsworth, 2009
28	<i>What's Wrong with my Vegetable Garden?</i> , Deardorff & Wadsworth, 2011

The **2016 Approved References** list included books which are no longer in print. These are listed below. There is no need to remove them from clinic resources at this time. However, funds are no longer approved to newly purchase these publications.

OUT-OF-PRINT REFERENCES (28)	
1	All About Orchids , 1999, Ortho
2	Landscaping for Wildlife in the Pacific Northwest , 1999, Russell Link
3	Northwest (American Horticultural Society Smart Garden Regional Guide) , 2003, Pete Punzi
4	Ortho Home Gardener's Problem Solver , 2004
5	Perennials for Every Purpose , 2000 & 2003, Larry Hodgson
6	Perfect Plant, Perfect Place , 2002, Roy Lancaster
7	Pocket Guide to Ornamental Grasses , 2004, Rick Darke
8	Readers Digest Garden Problem Solver , 2004
9	Right Plant, Right Place , 1984 & 2005, Nicola Ferguson
10	Rodale: A Plant-by-Plant Guide , Ball, 1989
11	Rodale's Flower Garden Problem Solver: Annuals, Perennials, Bulbs & Roses , 1996
12	Rodale's Garden Problem Solver: Vegetables, Fruit and Herbs , Ball, 1988
13	Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Herbs , Kowalchik & Hylton, 2000
14	Rodale's Successful Organic Gardening: Lawns, Grasses & Groundcovers , Hill, 1995
15	Rodale's Vegetable Garden Problem Solver , 2007, Fern Marshall Bradley
16	Roses for the Pacific Northwest , 1999, Christine Allen
17	Roses for Washington and Oregon , 2003, Brad Jalbert & Laura Peters
18	Sunset Western Garden Problem Solver , 2003
19	The Complete Book of Herbs , 1988, Lesley Bremness
20	The Houseplant Encyclopedia , 2001, Ingrid Jantra & Ursula Kruger
21	The Orchid Expert , 2008, D.G. Hessayon

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22	The Pest and Weed Expert , 2007, D. G. Hessayon
23	The Tree Book: A Practical Guide to Selecting and Maintaining the Best Trees for Your Yard and Garden , 2004, Jeff Meyer
24	The Vegetable & Herb Expert , 1997, D.G. Hessayon
25	Trees of North America , 1978, Roger Phillips
26	Weeds of the Northern U.S. & Canada , 1999, Royer & Dickinson
27	What Perennial Where? , 1997, Roy Lancaster
28	What Plant Where? , 1997, Roy Lancaster

The **2016 Approved References** list included books which remain in print but are not best suited for clinic reference. These are listed below. There is no need to remove them from clinic resources at this time. However, funds are no longer approved to newly purchase these publications. For **2020**, two insect reference books have been moved from the Approved Optional References to this section (see item # 18 & 19).

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1	<i>Bountiful Container</i> , Rose Marie Nichols, McGee & Maggie Stuckey, 2002, 432 pgs. Text dense, no photographs; Sunset has several pages on container growing, including plant recommendations. Also, see Puget Sound Tip Sheet #6, Container Gardening.
2	<i>Bugs of Washington and Oregon</i> , John Acorn & Jan Sheldon, 2001. More complete and updated 'bug' books are available – and they have color photographs versus sketches.
3	<i>Common Sense Pest Control</i> , William Olkowski, et al, 2013 (also 1991 & 1995). Includes home remedies. Includes chemical recommendations that may not registered for use in Washington.
4	<i>Field Guide to North American Insects & Spiders</i> , National Audubon Society, 1980 (in print), 2000 (not in print). More recent 'bug' books available.
5	<i>Garden Insects of North America: The Ultimate Guide to Backyard Bugs</i> , 2004, Whitney Cranshaw. Not structured well for clinic use or identification. Note: see line item #26 in the Approved Optional References section for a description of the 2nd edition of this book.
6	<i>Grow Fruit</i> , Alan Buckingham, 2010. WSU resources are recent and ample (and regionally suited).

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7	<i>The Gardener's A-Z Guide to Growing Flowers from Seed to Bloom: 576 Annuals, Perennials, and Bulbs</i> , 2004, Eileen Powell. Text dense, no photographs; Sunset and other resources adequate.
8	<i>The Gardener's A-Z Guide to Growing Organic Food</i> , 2003, Tanya Denckla. Text dense, no photographs; WSU resources and other approved references better suited to clinic use.
9	<i>The Home Orchard: Growing Your Own Deciduous Fruit and Nut Trees</i> , U. C. Davis, #3485, \$25 bound, \$20 electronic, 2007. Not needed given several recent WSU publications on this topic.
10	<i>The Lawn Expert</i> , 1997, D.G. Hessayon. WSU, et al, resources adequate, regionally focused and more recent.
11	<i>The Rose Expert</i> , D.G. Hessayon, 1996. WSU, et al, resources more than adequate, regionally focused and more recent.
12	<i>The Truth About Garden Remedies: What Works, What Doesn't & Why</i> , Jeff Gillman, 2008. Text dense; not suited for easy clinic reference.
13	<i>The Truth About Organic Gardening: Benefits, Drawbacks, and the Bottom Line</i> , Jeff Gillman, 2008. Text dense; not suited for easy clinic reference.
14	<i>The Vegetable Gardener's Bible</i> , Edward C. Smith, 2009. WSU and other approved resources more than adequate (and regionally suited).
15	<i>Trees of Seattle, 2nd edition</i> , Arthur Lee Jacobson, 2006, 496 pgs. Great book for touring Seattle and seeing trees, but not as a clinic reference.
16	<i>Water Garden Plants for Washington and Oregon</i> , Alison Beck & Mark Harp, 2008. Not well-structured for clinic reference. Better alternative: Timber Press "Pocket Guide to Water Garden Plants", Speichert, 2008 – see approved references list.
17	<i>Winter in the Woods: A Winter Guide to Deciduous Native Plants in Western Washington</i> , WSU #MISC0274, 2013, \$6 bound copy. B&W sketches of bare stems of questionable use in clinics
18	<i>Insects of the Pacific Northwest</i> , Peter & Judy Haggard, 2006, 296 pgs.
19	<i>Kaufman Field Guide to Insects of North America</i> , 2007, 392 pgs.

EVALUATING CLINIC REFERENCE NEEDS

In evaluating the clinic's resource material, consider whether there are areas in which you have no references or inadequate references. Your resources should enable you to answer questions in the following areas:

- annuals culture/diagnosis
- bulbs
- container culture
- fruit and nut tree culture/diagnosis
- ground covers
- herbs
- insect identification/management
- lawns
- ornamental grasses
- perennials & shrubs culture/diagnosis
- houseplants culture/diagnosis
- native plants
- plant disease identification/management
- plant identification
- plant propagation
- plant selection for specific situations
- pruning
- small fruits and berries culture/diagnosis
- tree culture/diagnosis
- vegetable culture/diagnosis
- vines