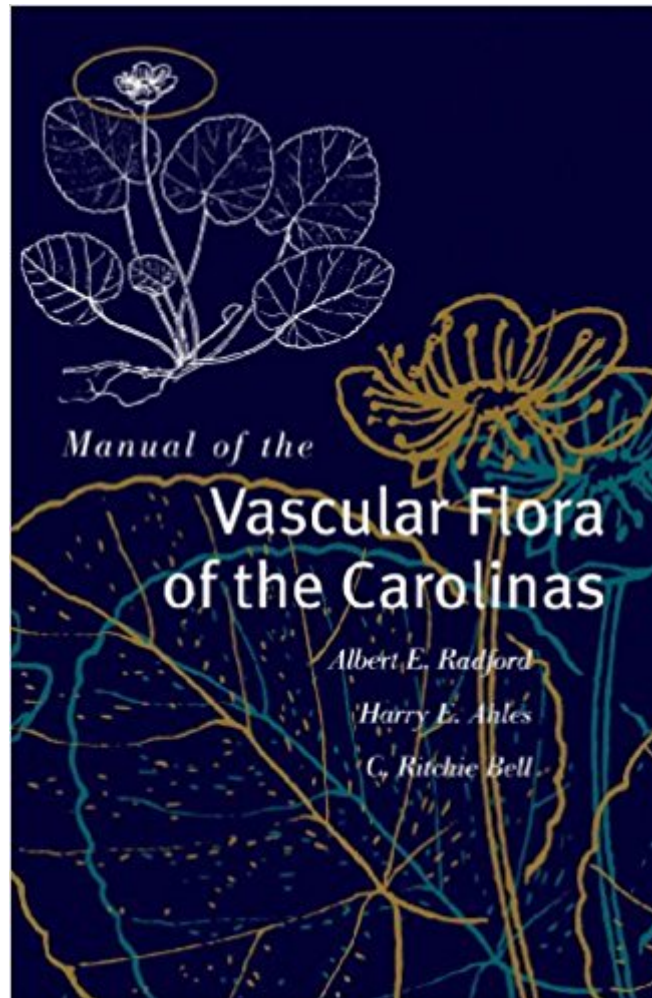




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Manual Of The Vascular Flora Of The Carolinas



Synopsis

This illustrated manual describes and discusses the unusually rich and varied flora of the Carolinas, from the semi-tropical coast of South Carolina to the northern forests of the high North Carolina mountains. The manual treats in detail and in a concise format more than 3,200 species of trees, shrubs, vines, herbs and ferns that grow without cultivation in this two-state area. Special features include diagnostic illustrations, keys for identification, detailed descriptions, flowering and fruiting dates, habitat data, distribution data, and pertinent synonymy for each species. County dot maps show the distribution of each species if found in more than five counties throughout the two-state area, and general ranges beyond our borders are given in the text. First published in 1968, *Manual of the Vascular Flora of the Carolinas* is an established reference for professionals, students, and plant enthusiasts throughout the Southeastern United States. It is based on the collection and examination of more than 200,000 live specimens. Many of these specimens are now housed in the herbarium at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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Albert E. Radford, Harry E. Ahles, and C. Ritchie Bell were all members of the department of botany at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill when they created this manual. Radford was professor of botany and director of the herbarium. Harry E. Ahles was curator of the herbarium and member of the department of botany at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. C. Ritchie Bell was professor of botany and director of the North Carolina Botanical Garden at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Some of the species names have been changed since this 1968 edition, but this volume has helpful illustrations and maps. It is especially useful for NC and SC because of the range maps. I promptly received a used copy in excellent condition at a very low price. This is a classic which has been supplanted by a newer and larger work, *Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States*, by Alan S. Weakley

I am just getting into botany but I love taking this book around with me and looking up plants on hikes and trails. I feel like it was a good investment since I will be transferring in to a biology with track in botany master degree soon. The book is great if you are trying to learn about botany or just want to know what plants are in the area. However, be prepared to spend a bit of time learning how it is set up and the terms used. If you are willing to do that though you will enjoy the book.

As a botany major, I have to say this is the most important book to have in your collection. I use it for classes, I use it for the field, I use it for reference. Some things are outdated and need to be corrected, but for the most part it is essential for anyone dealing with plants. One concern I have is that it may be hard to use for people who are not knowledgeable in plant vocabulary. The keys are sometimes difficult for even advanced botanists to use, and not always because of the plant in question. It is a must-have for anyone dealing with plants, but a good plant dictionary is something I heavily recommend.

I'm a master gardener and this fits into my interest in and frequent need for more information to answer questions. However, it might not be for the average interest gardener looking for quick answers and lots of pictures. It is nicely done and I've included it on my gift list for avid gardening friends.

Very useful for the professional botanist interested in the flora of these areas. Very comprehensive and complete collection of plants. Highly recommend, must be able to identify plants and understand botanical terminology to use. This text is written at an advanced, technical level.

Great reference for anyone who will be entering flower shows, becoming a Master Gardner, or just the need to know.

Item was as described and expected.

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