

Selected Resources & References for Commercial Greenhouse Operators

Reference Books

Books can be obtained from the publisher (known links are listed here), through a local bookstore, or by ordering through an industry trade magazine (books are generally advertised in each issue). Book sources can also be located by searching the Internet using the title as the keyword.

Ball RedBook: Greenhouses and Equipment (Vol. 1)
Chris Beytes, editor. 2011 (18th edition). Ball Publishing, Inc.: West Chicago, IL. 276 pp.
http://www.ballpublishing.com/BallPub/_RedBook.aspx

Ball RedBook: Crop Production (Vol. 2)
Jim Nau, editor. 2011 (18th edition). Ball Publishing, Inc.: West Chicago, IL. 800 pp.
http://www.ballpublishing.com/BallPub/_RedBook.aspx

The Commercial Greenhouse
James W. Boodley and Steven Earl Newman. 2009 (3rd edition). Delmar Cengage Learning: Albany, NY. 799 pp.
<http://www.cengage.com/search/showresults.do?Ntk=APG&Ntt=The%20Commercial%20Greenhouse&N=16>

Greenhouse and Nursery Handbook
Francis Jozwik. 2000.
High Sierra Books: Portolooa, CA.
806 pp.



Greenhouse Management: Guide to Structures, Environmental Control, Materials Handling, Crop Programming & Business Analysis.
Robert W. Langhans. 1990 (3rd edition). Halcyon Press of Ithaca: Ithaca, NY.

Greenhouse Operation and Management
Paul V. Nelson. 2012 (7th edition). Prentice Hall: Englewood Cliffs, NJ. 692 pp.
<http://www.pearsonhighered.com/educator/product/Greenhouse-Operation-and-Management/9780132439367.page>

Herbaceous Perennial Plants: A Treatise on Their Identification, Culture, and Garden Attributes
Allan M. Armitage. 2008 (3rd edition). Stipes Publishing: Champaign, IL. 1109 pp.
<http://www.stipes.com/horticulture.html>

Hydroponic Food Production: A Definitive Guidebook for the Advanced Home Gardener and the Commercial Hydroponic Grower
Howard M. Resh. 2012 (7th ed.). CRC Press. 560 pp.
<http://www.crcpress.com/product/isbn/9781439878675>

Hydroponic Home Food Gardens
Howard M. Resh. 2002. CRC Press. 159 pp
<http://www.crcpress.com/product/isbn/9780931231988>

Introduction to Floriculture

Roy A. Larson, editor. 1992 (2nd edition). Academic Press: San Diego, California

Managing Diseases in Greenhouse Crops

William R. Jarvis. 1992. The American Phytopathological Society (APS): St. Paul, MN
<http://www.apsnet.org/apsstore/shopapspress/Pages/41221.aspx>

Manual of Herbaceous Ornamental Plants

Steven M. Still. 1994 (4th edition). Stipes Publishing: Champaign, IL. 826 pp.
<http://www.stipes.com/horticulture.html>

Specialty Cut Flowers

Allan M. Armitage and Judy M. Laushman. 2008. Timber Press, Inc.: Portland, OR. 636 pp.
http://www.timberpress.com/books/specialty_cut_flowers/armitage/9780881929768

Woody Cut Stems for Growers and Florists: Production and Post-Harvest Handling of Branches for Flowers, Fruit, and Foliage

Lane Greer and John Dole. 2008. Timber Press: Portland, OR. 576 pp
http://www.timberpress.com/books/woody_cut_stems_growers_florists/greer/9780881928921

Grower Associations, Bulletins, Educational Meetings, Industry Trade Shows

Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers
Educational opportunities, national meetings, and quarterly newsletter.
MPO Box 268, Oberlin, OH 44074-0268
Phone: 440-774-2887
<http://www.ascfg.org>

Indiana Flower Growers Association

Regional meetings, annual trade show and convention.
625 Agriculture Mall Dr., West Lafayette, IN 47907
Phone: 765-494-1306
<http://sharepoint.agriculture.purdue.edu/agriculture/flowers/ifga.aspx>



Kentucky Nursery and Landscape Association

Winter conference and trade show, continuing education programs, and quarterly magazine.
PO Box 6827, Franklin, KY 40602-6827
Phone: 502-320-3733;
<http://www.knla.org/>

North Carolina Commercial Flower Growers Association

Workshops, field days, poinsettia open house at NCSU, and publications.
PO Box 58220, Raleigh, NC 27658
Phone: 919-782-3058
<http://www.nccfga.org/>
<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/hort/floriculture/NCCFGA/pubs/bulletins.htm>

OFA-The Association of Horticulture Professionals

Formerly: Ohio Florists Association. Bi-monthly bulletin, webinars; and annual 4-day short course, convention and marketplace in July.
2130 Stella Court, Columbus, OH 43215-1033
Phone: 614-487-1117
<http://www.ofa.org>

Perennial Plant Association

Annual national symposium and trade show, regional meetings, quarterly journal, bi-monthly newsletter.
3383 Schirtziner Road, Hilliard, OH 43026
Phone: 614-771-8431
<http://www.perennialplant.org/>

SAF-Society of American Florists

Annual meeting, educational resources, weekly e-mail newsletter, quarterly industry research and information reports, monthly magazine.
1601 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 800-336-4743
<http://www.safnow.org/>

Industry Periodicals

GPN-Greenhouse Product News

Scranton Gillette Publications
380 East NW Highway, Des Plaines, IL 60016
<http://www.gpnmag.com/>

Greenhouse Grower

Meister Publishing Co.
37733 Euclid Avenue, Willoughby, OH 44094.
Phone: 800-572-7740
<http://www.greenhousegrower.com/>

Greenhouse Management

GIE Media

4020 Kinross Lakes Pkwy, Richfield, OH 44286

Phone: 800/456-0707

<http://www.greenhousemanagementonline.com/>

Green Profit

Ball Publishing, Inc.

622 Town Rd., West Chicago, IL 60186

Phone: 888-888-0013

<http://www.ballpublishing.com/GreenProfit/Default.aspx>

GrowerTalks

Ball Publishing, Inc.

622 Town Rd., West Chicago, IL 60186

Phone: 888-888-0013

<http://www.ballpublishing.com/growertalks/default.aspx>

Internet Resources

Commercial Floriculture (University of Kentucky)

Information on greenhouse production in Kentucky.

<http://www.uky.edu/hort/documents-list-commercial-flower>

Commercial Floriculture and Greenhouse Production (Purdue University)

Events of interest to Indiana floriculture, Extension publications, general and specific crop information.

<http://flowers.hort.purdue.edu>

Controlled Environment Agriculture (Cornell University)

Hydroponic crop production.

<http://www.cornellcea.com/>

Ellison Chair in International Floriculture (Texas A&M University)

Chair held by Dr. Charlie Hall. Web site and blog.

Particularly useful information related to marketing and economics.

<http://ellisonchair.tamu.edu/>

Floriculture (North Carolina State University)

Crop information, culture topics, commercial floriculture leaflets, Floriculture Research Reports (Bedding Plant Trial Summaries), floriculture software, and more (also note the smaller links at the bottom of this Web page)

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/hort/floriculture/>

Horticulture Business Information Network: Greenhouses (Texas A & M)

Links to information related to the greenhouse industry, including production, economics, risk management, and greenhouse software.

<http://hbin.tamu.edu/HBIN-Greenhouse.htm>

The Horticultural Web

Links to many suppliers for the greenhouse and horticultural industries.

<http://www.horticulture.com>

Kentucky Garden Flowers (University of Kentucky)

An online encyclopedia of annual and perennial flowers suitable for Kentucky landscapes; includes results of garden flower trials completed in the state.

<http://www.uky.edu/Ag/Horticulture/gardenflowers/>

OSU Floriculture Website (Ohio State University)

Information on floriculture trials, crop improvement, ornamental germplasm, and more.

http://oardc.osu.edu/floriculture/t07_pageview/Home.htm

Poinsettias (Ecke Poinsettia)

Production guidelines; disease and insect information.

<http://www.ecke.com/poinsettias/>

The Trial Gardens at UGA (University of Georgia)

Results of evaluations of annual and perennial flowers at the University of Georgia.

<http://ugatrial.hort.uga.edu/>

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