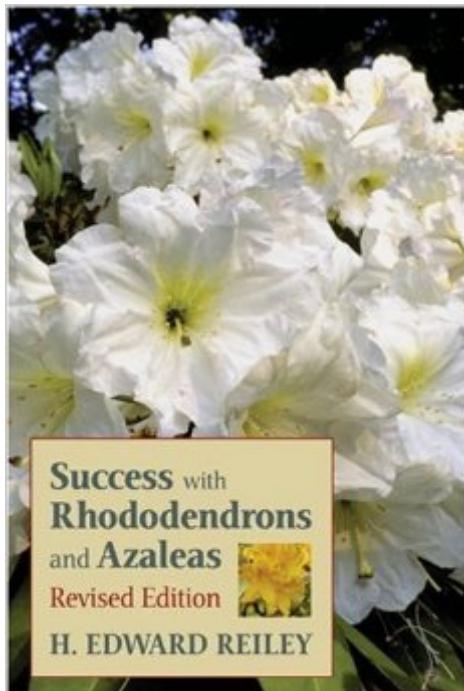


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# Success With Rhododendrons And Azaleas, Revised Edition



## Synopsis

Illustrated with more than 110 striking color photographs and packed with advice on every aspect of rhododendron growing, from soil preparation and landscape design to advanced propagating and hybridizing techniques, this is the most useful book on these spectacular flowering shrubs. Reiley has fully updated his practical, hands-on approach with more of the detailed information that gardeners need to choose and grow these luxuriant, beautifully blossoming plants.

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This is an great book on growing rhododendrons/etc overall. It has far more and better information on how to propogate (cuttings, layering, seeds, etc) than most other books, and the lists of "good-doers" are an excellent guide to someone starting out. Many Rhododendron books are to a large degree picture books - listing hybrids with pretty pictures. This book concentrates on the culturing, diseases, planting, propogation, hardiness, soil, how acidity affects nutrients, etc. The strongest recommendation for me: My father, who's a 30+ year rhododendron and azalea collector, looked at the 12 or so books I'd picked up last year after getting bitten with the rhodie bug last year, and said this one was the one book he'd like to get a copy of for Christmas.

I've got a few rhodos and azaleas in my yard, and tried planting more. Some died and didn't thrive, and now, thanks to this book, I understand why. Should have read this years ago. I also have two rare native rhododendrons that I want to propogate somehow, and this book has quite a lot of information on how to go about it. I can't tell yet whether I'll be successful, but at least, now I have a

chance. Good book!

The text of this book is great for the rhody enthusiast and gardener. Very readable and informative. It is probably below that necessary for rhody breeders. Mr. Reiley should hire a professional photographer or locate photographs that are at the level of his writing. Only the rare author is able to take his/her own photographs. I can't believe that Timber Press actually printed some of the photos.

I bought this because it was cheap, plus I like Azaleas and Rhododendrons but do not have a clue about caring for them. I am also in the mode of beginning a small home based nursery business and thought I should get to know plants better. I have had only a chance to glance through this book so that's why I gave it only 3 stars for now.

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