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Clivia is a small genus (four species) in Amaryllidaceae family from southern Africa. "They are all evergreen herbs with leaves arranged in two rank borne on a thick rhizome." The name honors Lady Charlotte Florentia Clive. "Clivias is the first practical book on this fascinating genus. The result is a comprehensive treatment that covers the history and biology of clivias, and provides profuse information on cultivation, color, and breeding." There are 118 great color photographs. **Contents**: Introduction; What is in a Name?; Clivia and Cryptostephanus: The Species; The Biology of a Clivia Plant; Cultivating and Growing Clivias; Understanding Clivia Colors; Hybridizing and Growing Clivias from Seed; Clivia Obsession; Standard Clivia miniata Hybrids: Orange and Red; Standard Clivia miniata Hybrids: Yellow; Standard Clivia miniata Hybrids: Pastel Colors; Variegated Clivias; Cyrtanthiflora-type Clivias and Related Hybrids; Novelty Clivias; The Future; Appendix I. Who Was Lady Clive?; Appendix II. Sources of Information; Appendix III. Sources of Plants; Glossary; Map of South Africa; References and Additional Reading; Index of Plant Names.


"Proteaceae is a large and ancient family of incredible diversity in both foliage and flower form. In recognition of this variety, Linnaeus named them after the legendary Greek sea god Proteas, who could change his shape at will." This is a must book for anyone interested in Proteas. Whether you are a grower or the cut-flower industry you will like this book. **Contents**: Introduction; Cultivating proteas; Proteas in the garden; Commercial cultivation; Identification; Glossary; References; Index.


This is a companion volume to **Dirr's Hardy Trees and Shrubs: An Illustrated Encyclopedia** also published by Timber Press. This is truly an encyclopedia of beauty and detail for more than 400 species and nearly 500 additional cultivars and varieties, many of which are illustrated. Even if you are not into woody plants this book will surely please you. The 1438 color photos are worth the price alone.