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Lithops - Flowering Stones



Synopsis

The genus Lithops belongs into the plant family of Mesembryanthemaceae (midday flowers) - well known by the short term 'Mesembs' to the amateurs of these succulents. The name 'Lithops' (derived from Greek *λίθος* = stone and *ὥρα* = appearance) itself hints at the amazing resemblance between the plants and the stones surrounding them; it is this particular phenomenon which allows them to employ one of their most obvious survival strategies. The otherwise defenceless plants have developed forms and features adapting them to their physical environment with such perfection that it is extremely difficult to spot them in habitat.

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Customer Reviews

I love growing exotic cacti and succulents and needed advice with these guys. This is great to read on my laptop but it is more difficult on my kindle fire HD. I love the pictures of the different species, I especially needed to get pointers on raising from seed. Mr Schlosser knows his stuff and I'm glad this was available for a reasonable price

Lithops cannot be treated like other succulents. This book gave me a lot of very good information

about my new Lithops. Worth reading.

good book

Great things

Several lithops germinated. There seemed to be a few different shapes and sizes so I'm guessing there was a good assortment. Unfortunately they all died around 3 months after germination.

This book is very technical in nature, and at least 40 percent of the book is a list of varieties.

Although packed with information, this book lacked common sense knowledge and help for the average gardener. Very few photos. As there is very little available in print on Lithops, this was worth the time, but not something I would buy. Glad it's available to borrow.

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