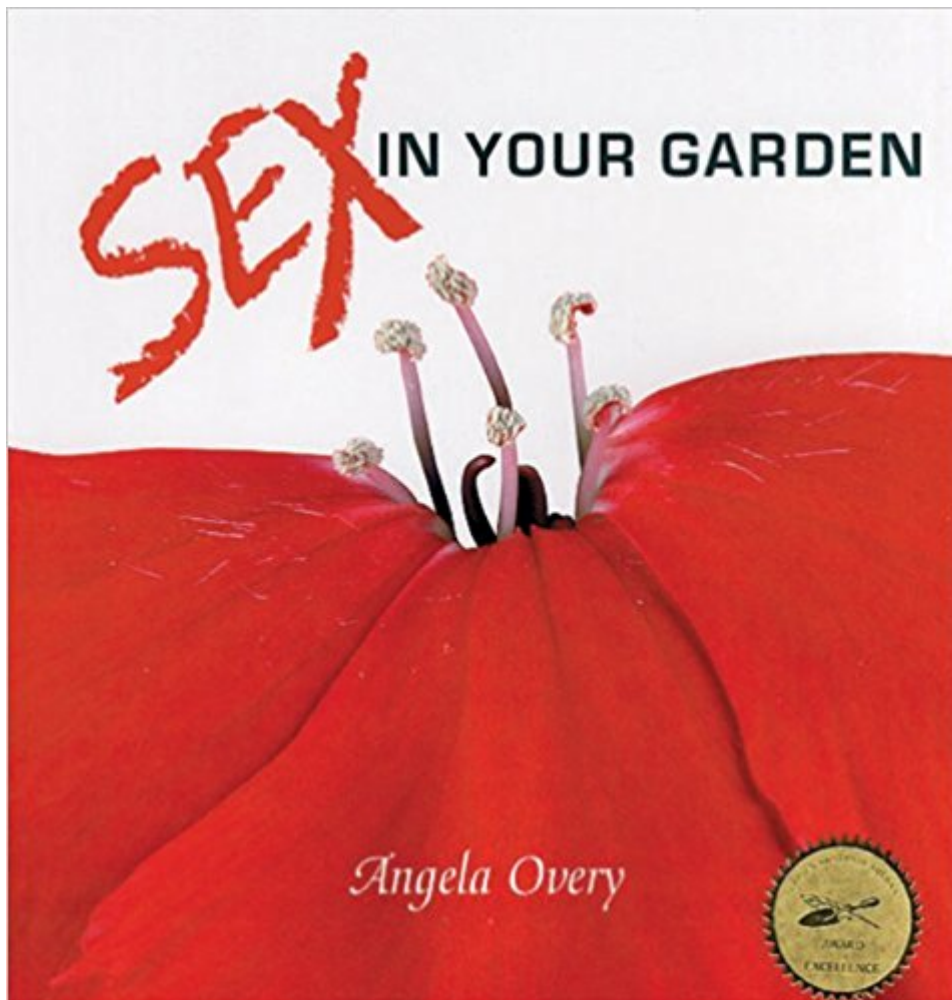




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Sex In Your Garden



Synopsis

This book takes a clear and concise peek at the reproductive processes of garden plants and their relationship to their various pollinators. Written with a flair for the humorous and a touch of the absurd, *Sex in Your Garden* is the perfect addition to any gardener's or botanist's bookshelf.

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Customer Reviews

"In this beautifully photographed book, Overy discovers the sexy, fun side of botany."

Angela Overy started drawing flowers while growing up in England. Angela has worked in advertising design in London, New York, and San Francisco before settling in Colorado with her husband. She has written for the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens and *Fine Gardening* magazine, where her own garden appeared on the cover.

I thought this book was going to be great! The whole idea of sexual reproduction in plants being, well, SEXY seemed like an awesome idea to me. The idea may have been great, but the execution wasn't. The layout looks like it was designed by a freshman yearbook staffer. The photos look like *Cosmopolitan* photo shoot rejects. The script is uninformative and even sometimes misleading. If you're an adult who has taken high school Biology and/or ever read anything related to gardening or plants, the information in here will not be anything new. And, okay, I know this is minor, but I ordered it as a gift only to receive a "new" copy that I wasn't comfortable giving as a gift because it

was scuffed and the red on the cover had sun-faded to various shades of pink. So, disappointing. If you're looking for an interesting book about plant sexual reproduction and the implications thereof (no, this book isn't sexy either, but it knows it's not trying to be), I wholeheartedly recommend Michael Pollan's *The Botany of Desire*. It is readable by the average joe, yet full of information that is fresh and new even to the well-versed. Back to *Sex in Your Garden*. If someone had taken this fun idea and spent some time developing it with quality content, it could have been great! As it turned out, it was sadly just gimmicky.

I just got a copy of this book, *Sex in Your Garden*, and I have been pleasantly surprised. There is a huge amount of interesting factual material in it. It is a bit bold for some folks, no doubt, but it is all actually in good taste. I think that this book could be excellent as a way to introduce younger students to the whole idea of sex and plants, or plant sexuality if you will. This subject is one that needs to be understood much better than it is now. Unlike most botany texts on the subject, this one is in plain English and it is fun to read. Hard core plant scientists may object to its tone and some of the wording, but I don't think it was intended for them in the first place. I expect that this book would be a good tool for getting students from grade 7-12 interested in some basic botany. Actually though, it would be informative for all of us "grown ups" too. I'm the author of *Allergy-Free Gardening*, from Ten Speed Press, and am especially interested in plant sexuality as it relates to allergies. I'd have to say this book is much better than I expected and I that learned quite a bit from it myself. The drawings and photos are first rate too. All in all, *Sex in Your Garden* is a very useful, informative, fun book. I highly recommend it! Thomas Leo Ogren

I thoroughly enjoyed learning the basics of pollination through this book. It has changed the way I look at flowers and gardens. The correlations drawn between flowers and humans were entertaining and pretty right on. Loved the colorful photos that illustrated the concepts.

Information and fun way to learn the science of plants!

This is the BEST book ever. I taught an entire summer camp on pollination based on this book. I learned so much

very funny and informative! The title is what grabbed me and I couldn't put it down!

Wonderful book. A whole new insight to the igarden

Very informative and cute

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