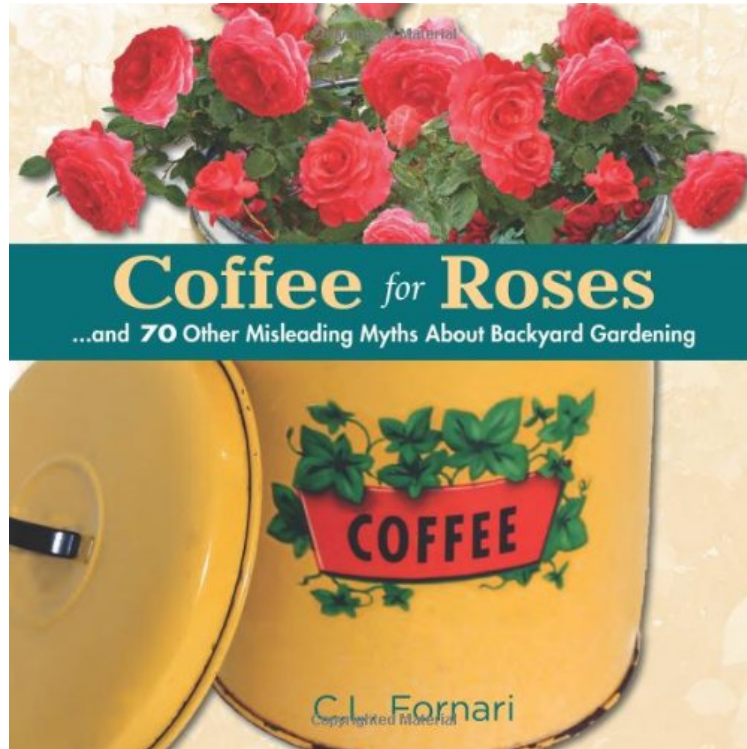


# Coffee for Roses: ...and 70 Other Misleading Myths About Backyard Gardening

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**C.L. Fornari : Coffee for Roses: ...and 70 Other Misleading Myths About Backyard Gardening** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Coffee for Roses: ...and 70 Other Misleading Myths About Backyard Gardening:

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Grounds for buying.By Steve SpicerIm a novice gardener with a lot of experience at being a novice. As such I've never heard a lot of these myths, adding to my vast store of things I don't know about the garden. Needless to say I was very happy when I first opened this book at random to find out that in my ignorance Id been doing something right all along, nipping from the hip so to speak.Now having read a number of the other myths I know that this book will be invaluable, but Im a little concerned that I might have to tell some friends who did pass on some tips that they are wrong. Well thats my problem, but at least I have a Garden Master like CL to back me up with her references to studies and experience.This year the marigolds around my tomatoes look pretty, whatever they do or dont do. My neighbors play their music loud. I like what they play so it doesn't concern. I think maybe it helps the plants grow or is that my own myth?Enjoy the book. You will learn a lot.9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Lots of fun!By Ellen BHilariously written- There are tons of garden books out there, but there are few garden writers who have a sense of humor. CL Fornari makes reading this a delight.Although I am not a

professional, I am a long-time gardener and was disabused of a few of my old stand-by 'facts', so I'm guessing that even the experts could learn something from this funny and well-researched book. Just a treat-2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Perfect Gift! By Anne H This is an absolutely delightful book and the perfect gift for any gardener or wanna be gardener. I have several gardening books which I'm sure are informative, but they mainly just sit on the shelf unread. Not this one, because it's so fun to read. The first thing I did was flip through to see what the myths were and how many I believed. When I found a myth I was certain HAD to be true, I stopped and read C.L.'s witty commentary. Then later, I took my time relishing the book, chuckling as I read. I keep it out for guests and friends to look at and we compare notes about which myths we've fallen for. Apart from the entertainment value, I think I'll remember the great gardening information because it was presented in such a clever manner.

Word-of-mouth may be a great way to learn about some products, but word-of-mouth gardening tips can be a very bad idea. The age-old practice of passing along gardening tips and tricks is no guarantee you will get a good result...it might even do the opposite. In her new book, garden expert C. L. Fornari looks at 71 common garden practices and uncovers the truth behind the lore. Do marigolds keep the bugs out of the veggie patch? Will rusty nails turn hydrangeas blue? With humor and affection, she goes back in time to sort out the good, the bad and the just plain silly...and tells us why. COFFEE FOR ROSES combines gardening history and expert advice into one useful, time- and money-saving package. The authors award-winning full color photography is throughout.

So if grandma's folk stories are dear to your gardening heart, look elsewhere: [Coffee for Roses] more closely examines the myths, outlines the realities, and provides scientifically-based alternatives based on solid facts that will save time, energy, and money and result in better gardening success. (Diane Donovan Donovan Literary Services)"Self-proclaimed "plant geek" and author C.L. Fornari says some of what we have heard about gardening all these years is totally wrong. In Coffee for Roses, Fornari sets the record straight. (Jill Sell The Plain Dealer)"I LOVED this book... great writing style... wonderful information." (Niki Jabbour, gardening author blogger)In Coffee for Roses, C.L. Fornari tells it like it really is. With fact and humor, this well-known garden writer and lecturer has nailed most of the urban myths passed along by gardeners. Kudos to her for writing a book that every gardener will value for its wisdom and wit! - Stephanie Cohen is The Perennial Diva, a garden lecturer and author of The Perennial Gardener's Design Primer Every gardener needs a mentor. C.L. Fornari's Coffee for Roses mixes humor and wisdom to dispel many of the most stubborn gardening myths and folklore, while guiding us all to be more successful gardeners. - Joe Lamp'l, executive producer and host, Growing a Greener World There are quite a few Master Gardeners in the U.S. today - there are fewer Garden Masters. C.L. is one of them. It's refreshing to hear her dispel so many of the myths we gardeners have heard for so many years. Brava! - Dan Heims, president, Terra Nova Nurseries, Inc., author, lecturer and a general Hortiholic" This book is just simply beautiful. C.L.'s photography leaps from the pages. It invites you in, as she shares and reveals the truths about many gardening myths. In fact over 70 myths are featured. Their history is told and then systematically, C.L. enlightens us. I must say that even I believed many of these old wives tales that I had heard over the years. For it's small portable size, this book is bursting with plenty of useful information and C.L.'s wittiness (love that!). It would make a wonderful gift for anyone who loves the outdoors. Plus it's the perfect conversation starter." (Melissa Caughey Tilly's Nest)"This is a fabulous book, full of great information and now-dead myths that many of us have held dear for decades." (Jim Long Jim Long's Garden)"The myths and folklore contained in the book will educate the new gardener, and perhaps amuse the experienced but I can guarantee everyone will find something in the book they've done, believing it to be true." (Judith Lavender Cottage) C.L. Fornari brings a depth of knowledge and passion of expression to all of her many forms of communication and horticultural outreach. Read her and be delighted! - Kirk R. Brown, speaker and presenter of "John Bertram Lives!" If anyone knows the truth about gardening, it's C.L. Fornari. She has seen and heard it all. What a fun, enlightening read for gardeners of all skill levels and interests. - Susan McCoy, gardening industry speaker and president of Garden Media Group" You will learn why adding sugar to the soil won't make vegetables sweeter, misting houseplants in the winter is mostly a waste of time, and amending the soil in a hole when you plant perennials or shrubs might not be such a good idea. This colorful and very enjoyable book is available everywhere. Buy a copy for yourself and one for a friend. You'll both get a laugh out of it and learn a thing or two about good gardening in the bargain." (Ann McCormick HERB 'N COWGIRL) I love garden 'myth busting' - so many old-spouse-tales are in need of debunking. How can you tell what's real and what's not? In her fun and funny new book, expert garden communicator C.L. Fornari helps gardeners tell truth from fiction. - Ken Druse, award-winning author of over a dozen books on gardening and host of the Ken Druse REAL DIRT radio show" Fornari's digest-sized book is pleasantly designed for the busy gardener. If you budget yourself to one entry per day, there are enough handy, bite-sized lessons here - each requiring less than five minutes - to last over two months." (William Scheick SEEDS)"The new book's subtitle, and 70 Other Misleading Myths About Backyard Gardening, says it all: it is an argument-settler. It is beautifully illustrated, mostly with C. L.'s own photography, and affably serves up information on how you should be gardening. Fornari succinctly lays many rumored garden quick-fixes and practices to rest in the 70 numbered, easy-to-digest sections. They reflect not only some of the latest, science-based findings but

also some of the older, sturdy 19th century practices that have recently been proven correct." (Abigail Higgins MV Times)From the AuthorWith humor and affection, Fornari goes back in time to sort out the good, the bad and the just plain silly, and tells us why. Coffee for Roses combines gardening traditions and expert advice into one useful guide. (Eric Hofley Michigan Gardener Magazine)About the AuthorC. L. Fornari is a writer, professional speaker, radio host, and self-described out-of-control plant person. Author of five gardening books, in 2013 she won silver awards from The Garden Writers Association in the categories of Broadcast Media, Radio; Electronic Media, Blog; Electronic Media, Website. A sought-after lecturer, she is a twelve-year host of GardenLine, a weekly radio show on WXTK, now streamed worldwide online, and has been a frequent contributor to NPRs The Cultivated Gardener. The author manages a blog, Whole Life Gardening, and website, gardenlady.com.