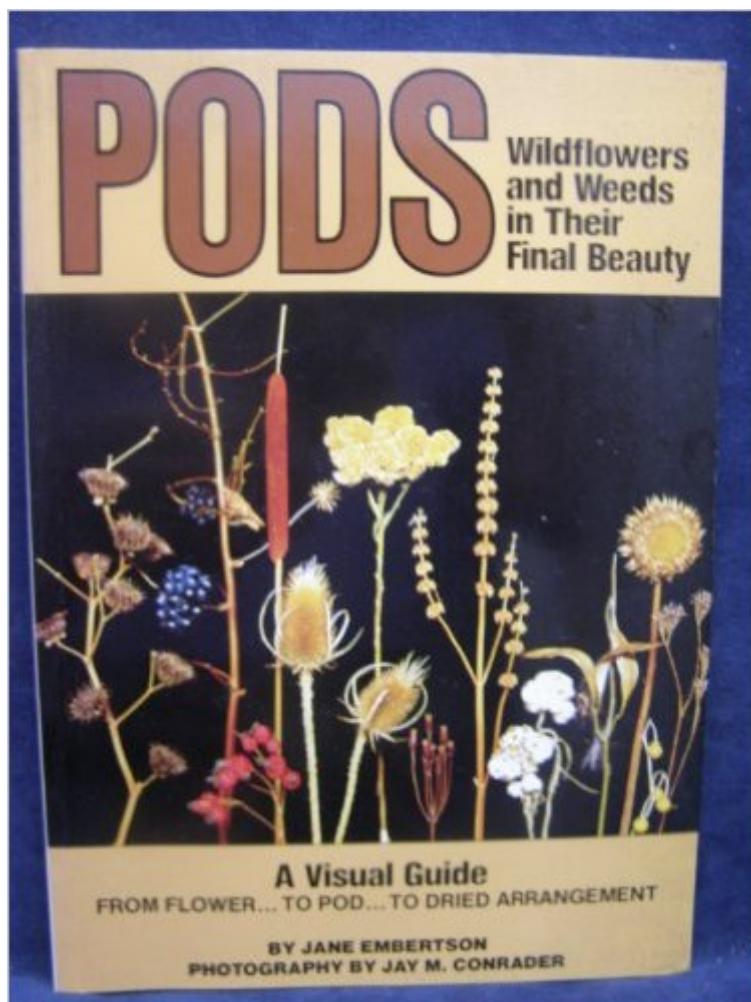


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Customer Reviews

Pods - Wildflowers and Weeds in Their Final Beauty by Jane Embertson is one of my favorite books on dried flowers. Great color photos of 144 plants flowering in the field, dried pods and used in an arrangement. The author gives bloom time, flower description, leaf description and a description of where and when to pick the pods. There is an additional section of 28 black & white photos of grasses and "winter skeletons". This is a marvelous reference work with a total of 460 photos that are each a work of art.

While many focus their dried efforts on garden flowers or attempt to hold back the ravages of time on "hot house beauties", author Jane Embertson and photographer Jay Conrader focus on the almost otherworldly beauty found in the dried pods of wildflowers and weeds. This book has a lot to offer, whether to gardeners, naturalists or dried arrangement artists. Photos of 143 plants from NC to NE US ("where frost and freeze are common") are presented in their green plant and dried seed pod versions. Info is provided on blooming season, leaves, flowers, and where to find each kind of plant. So, it's great for weed identification. The icing on the cake for each plant is a photo showing an example of how to use it in a dried arrangement! So there are a wealth of great ideas to stimulate

creativity. Who would have thought "poke berry skeletons" might be useful? With the info Jane provides you can craft with colors ranging from purple-pink to pale pea-green to a rich raspberry just from pokeweed pods. Actually, a whole arrangement could be made from "noxious" weeds. (There's a "value-added" idea for a small farmer with an excess of weeds in the pasture!) This book is "to die for". IF you can track down a used copy of this book, it's worth every penny. Enjoy.

The pods are wildflowers and weeds in their final beauty. So it says in the intro to this book. With enough sections to make you wonder about how much could be of value in a dead or almost dead plants, there are details on such matters as dispelling myths about weeds, pod picking, and a very full, true to life section on sun pods. Although the sun pods, be they weed or flower origin, are most numerous, other habitats where plants are found are explored as well. The Glossary really helps to define the 'anatomical' terms used to describe the pods. I wouldn't miss the Index of common and botanical names, either. A great field guide to use when the leaves have fallen, or you are out there in the early spring before any greenery appears. Name that plant by ID-ing that pod is the name of the game. You might like it. Have fun!

This book is a real treasure. I bought my first copy in November, when the central Indiana countryside is dormant in shades of gray and brown. During a ten minute walk I found and was able to identify seven plants I didn't even know existed in our overgrown field. I own a small nature and garden shop and have recommended this book many times as an excellent way to identify common weeds and wildflowers when the bloom has faded. I highly recommend "Pods" for the beginning naturalist or crafter using everlasting materials.

Book gives excellent coverage of the topic with numerous pictures. It provides a visual guide from flower to pod to dried arrangement. Information that is hard to find is included. It focuses on the Great Lakes Region, Northeastern U.S. and adjacent Canada--areas where frost and freeze are common. As one who is a National Garden Club member and who participates in flower shows, I found it very useful.. Although it was published in 1979, the book is not out of date. I found it useful although I use the web extensively for plant information and identification.

I purchased this for a friend who is a nature-lover & also likes to make dried flower arrangements. She liked it so much that I purchased another copy for my sister. Very interesting, as this book shows photos of native (mostly) flowers & weeds after the plant has gone to seed. The pods &

seeds are actually just as pretty as the flowers, especially in dried arrangements. at this price you can't go wrong. The book also tells you when to pick the pods, and how to preserve them, if necessary.

I recently purchased a book from fireball. The name of the book is; PODS: Wildflowers and Weeds in their final beauty. The book looked like new and was a current issue. I have purchased from Fireball before and always found the books to be excellent.

Best book ever on what plants form what pods. Gave a winter field a new dimension for us. It has a special place in our guidebook collection. Great pictures, descriptions, etc.

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