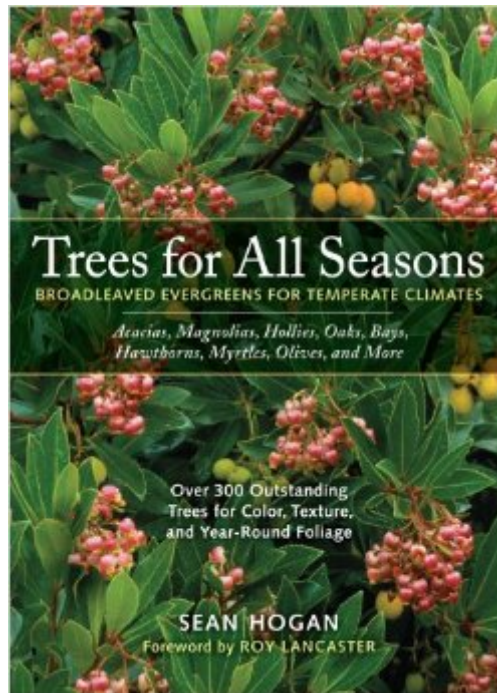


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# Trees For All Seasons: Broadleaved Evergreens For Temperate Climates



## Synopsis

It's simple: broadleaved evergreens are trees that don't lose their leaves. And despite their versatility and beauty, they are often underused. Why? Most people, including knowledgeable gardeners, equate evergreens with conifers "and Christmas trees" rather than broadleaved plants. And many of the most attractive broadleaved evergreens have only recently become commercially available. Sean Hogan "one of America's most respected and well-known horticulturists" aims to correct the problem with this groundbreaking title. Ten years of research has gone into the detailed descriptions and photographs of more than 300 choice trees. Hogan opens our eyes to a largely unexplored world of foliar beauty "from China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan to Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand; from Chile and Argentina to Mexico and the western United States. Among the profiled plants are the drought-tolerant, russetbarked manzanitas; the finely textured, glossy-leaved azaras; and the exquisitely fragrant michelias. Also included are little-known gems from such well-known genera as the hollies and oaks. Hogan has filled an obvious gap in horticultural literature. By bringing to light hundreds of exciting plants that have the potential to transform gardens, he also performs an outstanding service.

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This is a must have book if you have a yard with or without trees. Clearly written with terrific photographs and tree-scale diagrams, it serves not only as an idea book for those in the temperate zone, but also as an identification guide for those 'unknowns' that are often encountered. What a

terrific work, a mater piece, actually, destined to be a classic. Get it! Enjoy it! Treasure it.

This book was desperately needed in the Pacific Northwest, where we are overrun with Eastern deciduous trees from our export-oriented nursing industry. Great details, background and a useful visual scale image for each tree makes it a great reference for professionals and hobbyists alike. If you don't fall in love with broadleaved evergreens after reading this book, check for a pulse!

Except for perhaps Hawaii and the most southerly points in the southernmost states, winter in America is harsh and long and dreary. Evergreen trees make a huge impact on a garden and the landscape...Sean Hogan does a magnificent job of trotting out the most ornamental and interesting trees that thrive in his Zone 7-8 mecca, but he does a GREAT job of holding out promise to those of us who live in colder zones (I am a denizen of Zone fivish). Who would have imagined there might be so many evergreen oaks, so many magnolias with wide latitude! I can't WAIT to find cold tolerant forms of *Quercus chrysolepsis* and a bevy of Mahonias I never suspected might pass muster: every page is a revelation and full of hard data and promise. It makes sense that most plants have a wide latitude in nature, and many have high elevation forms that make it possible to grow them far beyond their native ranges. Great pictures throughout, and wonderful layout: this is a book designed to last. Sean has obviously been seeking these forms out for years, and his hard earned experience in Portland, California and Christmas Valley (a god forsaken spot I believe) makes this book invaluable. Not another one of those compendiums of hearsay, this is a treasure trove of hard data from a great designer and plant collector. Sean is a national treasure: buy and share this book!

Sean Hogan's book, *Trees for All Seasons: Broadleaved Evergreens for Temperate Climates*, is a detailed book for people that enjoy planting a garden with the year round beauty of evergreen trees and shrubs. The emphasis is on the Pacific Northwest but Sean's book also covers broadleaf evergreen trees that can be grown elsewhere in the warm climates of zone 7, as well as some zone 6 and 5 evergreen trees as well. This is an informative book listing many species new to the market that are just becoming available to gardeners.

By far, this is the best book on broadleaf evergreen trees I've ever owned. Detailed descriptions and frost tolerances are given alongside beautiful pictures of hundreds of the most exotic trees for temperate climates. Some of them have been around for a while but most of them are relatively new to cultivation and fun to seek out. It makes a pretty good complement to Dan Hinkley's *Explorer's*

Garden book series since he has left out trees for some reason.

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