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Keith's Cactus Books

January 2012 Newsletter

I hope you all had a good Christmas, and wish you well for the New Year.

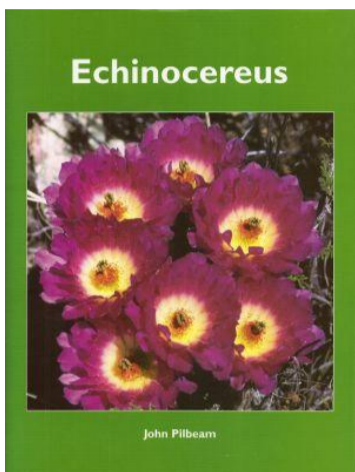
Thank you for your purchases over the past year, whether mail order or at the events I have been at, and I hope you enjoyed them.

Now that you have read the books you had for Christmas, seen the DVDs and getting tired of what is on TV I thought you might like to be tempted with something to support your New Year's Resolutions to grow your plants better, get greater success with propagating, educate yourself Always assuming you still have some money left after your festivities – I trust I don't have to offer interest free credit or other modern marketing methods!

One new arrival, plus a number of popular books back in stock again, and some other suggestions.

Echinocereus

Pilbeam



This well known and respected author does it again, and produces a book for the grower of these popular and attractive plants. Their distribution is covered in some detail with 8 pages of full page maps which shows which states of the USA and Mexico each taxon is found in. Cultivation and classification are covered before going on to consider each taxon, which are based on the New Cactus Lexicon with some more recent additions which the author thinks have merit. Concise descriptions (as the author believes there has been a lot of detail published elsewhere) are given for each along with comments, with colour photos, many in quite large format. 2011 11 ¼ x 8 ½ 176 pages Hardback £32

Also available on Echinocereus:

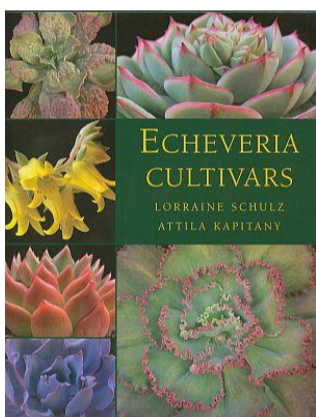
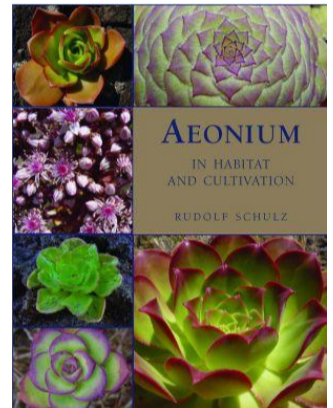
[A tour to Mexican Habitats of Echinocereus pectinatus](#) –Ohr
[The Genus Echinocereus](#) – Taylor

And a number of books back in stock

Aeonium in Habitat and Cultivation

Schulz

As usual from this self publishing author, this is a well researched and produced book on these plants, which many people have one or more of but are perhaps under appreciated. All species are covered – not just the Canary Island/Madeira ones which his field research is based on. This is a highly illustrated book, which helps with identification, and also covers all the basics from history, habitats, cultivation, uses (including outside for milder climates) and propagation etc. 2007 11 ¼ x 8 ¾ 216 pages Hardback £30



Echeveria Cultivars

Schulz & Kapitany

This is the book that will get you looking under the bench, the back of the staging and the office window for those plants you use to grow and haven't worried about too much in recent years! It takes more than 150 of the best cultivars and illustrates them attractively giving concise cultivation and propagation information for each, as well as the expected introductory sections. An enthusiastic book! 2005 11 ¼ x 8 ¾ 208 pages Hardback £30

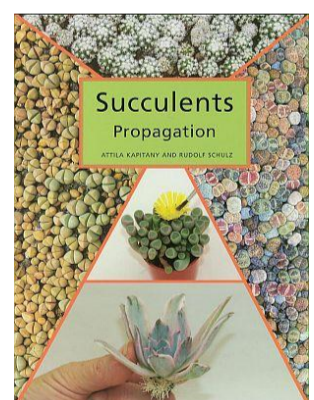
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Succulents Propagation

Kapitany & Schulz

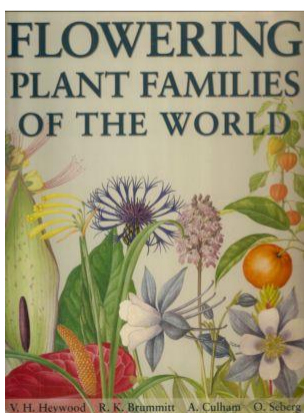
Written by two nurserymen who know the tricks of the trade, this book covers all aspects from the basics through advanced vegetative techniques and seed raising, and then gives greater consideration to 38 genera, all well illustrated with colour photos. 2004 9 ¾ x 7 ¼ 112 pages Softback £12

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Flowering Plant Families of the World

Heywood, Brunnitt, Culham & Seberg



A book for those who have a wide interest in plants and like to know how plant families are related to each other. This is the successor to "Flowering Plants of the World" and presents the latest views of plant classification based on the progress made in the many areas of research. Well illustrated with many mono and colour illustrations, in addition to the classification information (which is presented in an easy to digest manner) it includes uses of the plants. In addition to being a reference book it is also a fascinating book to browse through. 2007 12 ½ x 9 ½ 424 pages Hardback £22.50 (RRP £32)

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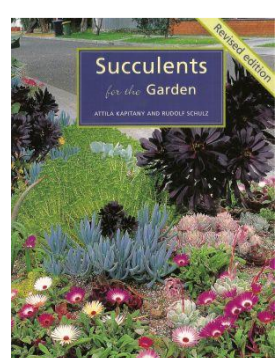
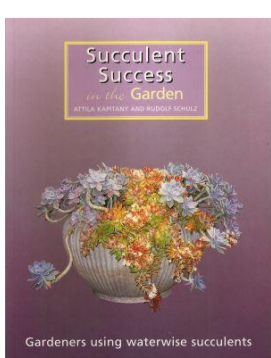
A couple of books for those who live in places where the plants can be grown outside, and for those who like to dream about it!

[Succulents for the Garden](#) - Schulz & Kapitany

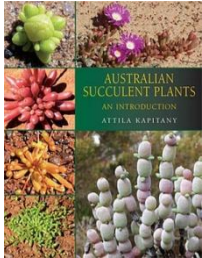
[Succulent Success in the Garden](#) - Kapitany & Schulz

Price £12 each

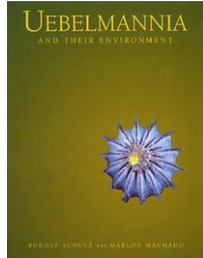
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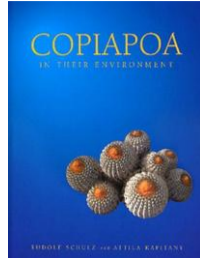
A few titles back in stock in very small numbers;



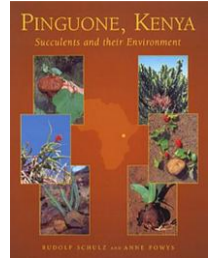
[Australian Succulent Plants](#)



[Uebelmannia and their Environment](#)



[Copiapoa in their Environment](#)



[Pinguone, Kenya - Succulents and their Environment](#)

In these more difficult financial times we're all looking for bargains!

So please don't forget I've added an option on my web site to show all the current special offers so you can easily find them. It is the top option on the left hand menu – [click here to go there now](#). Special offers are open until the end of January 2012 whilst stock is available.

Some other recent arrivals:

- [Guide to Succulent Plants of the World](#) - Dortort
- [The Bushman Candles](#) - Craib & Lavranos
- [Mapping the Cacti of Mexico](#) - Hernández & Gómez-Hinostrosa
- [The Smallest Kingdom](#) (as reviewed recently in Cactus World)
- [Epithelantha 2011](#) - Donati & Zanovello
- [Echinocactus](#) - Donati & Zanovello
- [The Naming of Names](#) - Pavord
- [Aloes - The Definitive Guide](#) - Carter, Lavranos, Newton & Walker

Books from the John Lavranos Natural History Book Collection:

Most of you will know that John has spent a lot of time looking for plants in Southern and Eastern Africa and Arabia, and the books cover not just plants but other natural history including animals, geology, meteorology, botanic and animal art etc.

I've realised that due to a slip some still available titles were missing from the recent lists so it might be worth having another look to see if there is anything of interest left - please [click here when online to download a PDF of them](#).

And don't forget **journals** for those long dark evenings! Catch up with [Bradleya](#), or [to see the full list then please click here](#)

The full list of books that I have in stock at tempting prices can be seen at www.keithscactusbooks.co.uk where you can either browse online by section if you're on a broadband/fixed price connection, or download the full list if you'd rather browse offline.

And don't forget that I sell a large range of other plant books on my site www.keithsplantbooks.co.uk which might make good presents for those whose taste in plants is rather different! Orders from both sites can be combined for a single delivery charge

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Regards

Keith Larkin

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