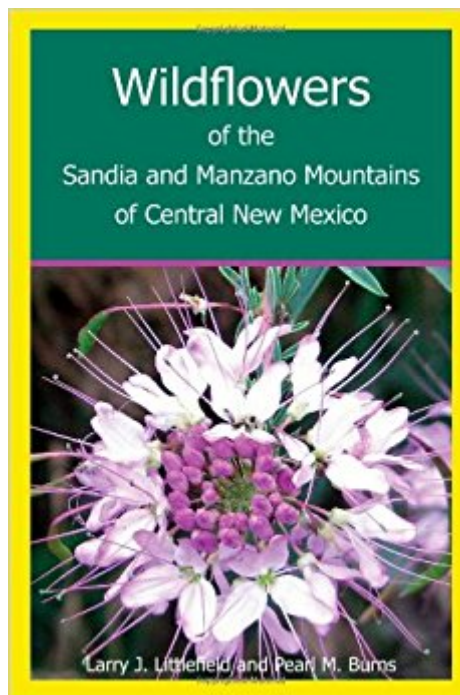




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Synopsis

This is a beautifully illustrated wildflower book for nonprofessionals, focused on the mountains of central New Mexico, including 715 color photographs of different organs and developmental stages of 201 common species occurring at approximately 6,000-11,000 feet elevation. Plant descriptions include their typical habitats, blooming period, floral and vegetative characteristics, uses by southwestern Native American tribes, the plant's common and scientific names and plant family. Plants are divided first by flower color, then by family common name, then by scientific name.

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"If the plants could speak they would say, 'This is how we want you to know us.' A must-have for all who truly love the mountains." —Robert Julyan, New Mexico naturalist and author.

Larry J. Littlefield, retired professor of plant pathology (PhD, University of Minnesota), volunteer with the United States Forest Service and the Sandia Mountain Natural History Center, spent forty years conducting research and teaching plant pathology before retiring to New Mexico. Pearl M. Burns (BS, University of New Mexico; RN), retired, has spent decades identifying and photographing New Mexico wildflowers, leading countless wildflower hikes, making presentations, and conducting classes. She received the 2003 National Volunteer of the Year Award from the United States Forest Service for her many years of volunteer service.

This wildflower guide is a must for hikers in NM that have an interest in identifying wildflowers. Their uses by native Americans and the photos are interesting and useful too.

Great guide to help me identify the wildflowers around our second home in these mountains. This book shows just the flowers I can expect to see without my having to search through flowers from other areas.

A wonderful reference book. Clear pictures and descriptions. Also really like the binding. Lays flat and easy to take in the field. A must have book.

great and easy to identify flowers

This is a great basic guide for this area. Photos are great, informative descriptions. I like that they included medicinal/food uses.

Book is a grand collection, with pictures, of wildflowers growing from 4,000' above sea level to 11,000' in the central area of NM. It is the best reference book of its kind.

Havent used it yet. Kind of expensive for what you actually get. Diagram for changing blades is not very clear, but can be easily figured out. Blades are extreemly sharp and should work well for skinning big game.

This new guidebook is written specifically for the mountains nearest Albuquerque, but will serve you well throughout the Sangre de Cristo and other NM high country above 6,000 ft., except for the Alpine zones -- the Sandias, highest of the ranges near ABQ, top out at around 10,700 ft. ASL. The authors are a professional botanist (Dr. Littlefield) and a long-time Albuquerque wildflower enthusiast (Burns). Their guidebook is clearly a labor of love. Each flower gets a full page writeup, with 2/3 of the page given to 3-5 sharp, clear color photos, and the remainder to the text description. There's an extensive preview of the book at the publisher's website -- see comments for the link. The binding is sturdy-looking plastic, and the guide itself is spiral-bound, so pages lie reasonably flat in use. My guess is it will hold up well to use in the field. An essential guidebook for New Mexico wildflower enthusiasts. Happy reading and botanizing--Peter D. Tillman
Member, NM Native Plant Society
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