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## FOREWORD

This book is a guide to the most common groups of American wildflowers: the Violets, Coneflowers, Milkweeds, Asters, and the like. To help the beginner identify these flower groups and common kinds of wildflowers, the book includes 134 paintings in full color. Some 200 kinds of flowers are shown in the color plates, and these are typical of the major groups of American flowering plants. Even if the actual flower you find is not illustrated, the color plates may help you identify it as, for example, a kind of Loosestrife, Orchid, or Lupine.

There are more kinds of wildflowers than there are words in this book. Our selection includes the most common and widely distributed plants. It stresses those with showy flowers and those which the amateur is likely to see. This difficult selection was aided by expert advice and assistance. We are grateful for the fine co-operation of Neil Hotchkiss, Francis Uhler, and A. L. Nelson, all of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. P. L. Ricker of the Wild Flower Preservation Society gave suggestions and made available the excellent photographs in his collection. The staff of the New York Botanical Garden, especially Frank C. McKeever, Carol H. Woodward, Elizabeth Hall, and Elizabeth McConnell, were most helpful.

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