

About the Designers

Martyn Rix

Martyn Rix is a botanist, plant collector, author and gardener. He has travelled worldwide in search of wild plants for gardens, and introduced many new ones into cultivation in Europe and North America. He has an extensive collection of photographs of exciting plants in their natural habitats.

While working as Botanist at RHS Wisley, Martyn taught botany to students, many of whom are now leading horticulturists around the world.

Martyn has contributed to many scientific publications, including *The European Garden Flora*, *Flora Europaea*, *The Flora of Turkey* and *Curtis's Botanical Magazine*. He has published on the subject of Botanical Art, collaborated on 'The Quest for the Rose' (BBC) and the Pan Garden Plants Series of books with Roger Phillips. He is a regular contributor to *Country Life*, *Gardens Illustrated* and *The English Garden* magazine. In 1999 he was awarded the Gold Veitch Memorial Medal by The Royal Horticultural Society. Martyn is a Fellow of the Linnean Society of London.

Nigel Rowland

Nigel Rowland owns and runs Long Acre Plants, a plantsman's nursery in Somerset, with his wife Michelle. They specialise in unusual woodlanders and plants for shade in general. "Plants are the reason for this business and with a very few exceptions we grow what we like, for all the usual human reasons of association, perception of what is beautiful or just inexplicable love."

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