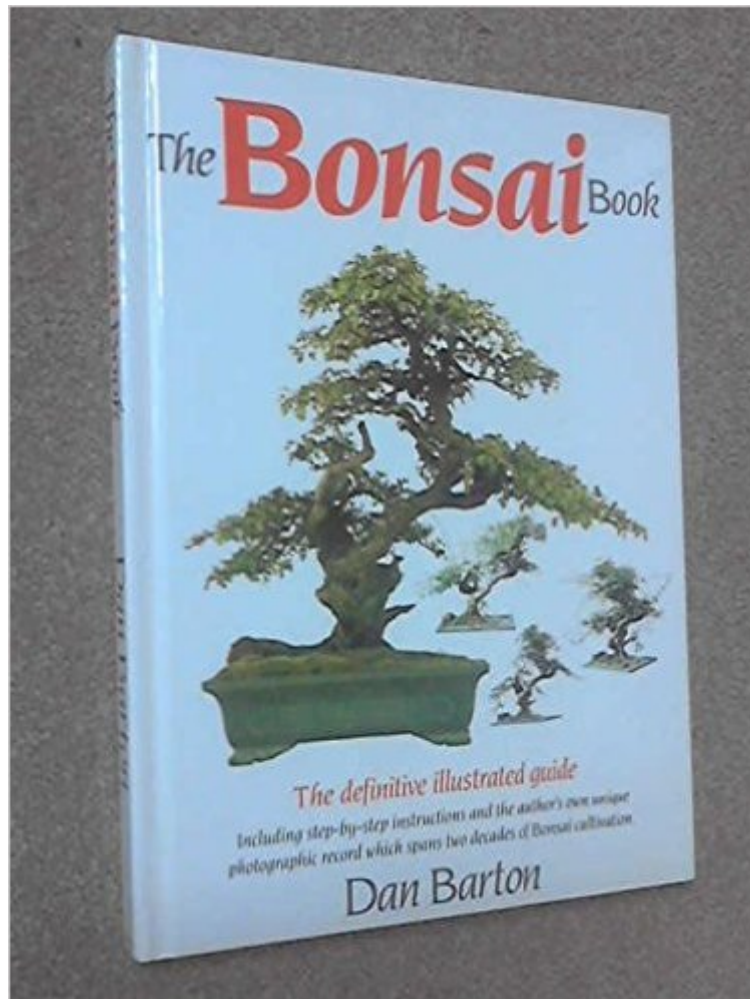


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# Bonsai Book : Definitive Illustrated Guide



## Synopsis

This original and authoritative book is presented in a practical yet inspirational way. Dan Barton shares with us his expert knowledge and two decade of research, giving both detailed step-by-step horticultural instructions and a fascinating insight into the creative process of Bonsai, to provide a genuine understanding of the subject. As well as giving essential descriptions of stock, equipment, basic care and training techniques, the book includes new methods of achieving quicker results, a Bonsai calendar showing routine tasks on a month-by-month basis and the use of modern materials and power tools, all of great value to today's bonsai enthusiast. Beautifully illustrated throughout with strikingly original and instructive colour photographs, line drawings and working schedules, The Bonsai Book is a must for would-be Bonsai enthusiasts and experts alike. Contents include: Popular styles and styling, Aesthetic principles, Basic and advanced training techniques, Propagation and material sources, Over 60 suitable species for Bonsai, Case histories, and a bonsai calendar. The author, Dan Barton NDD, ATD, ABIPP was born in Hong Kong in 1938 where he saw Bonsai for the first time. He is a Senior Lecturer in Graphic Design and Applied Photography at Bristol Polytechnic. His research into Bonsai has been extensive and he has pioneered several Bonsai training techniques. Known and respected throughout the world, he is an honorary member of several international Bonsai societies and serves on the panel of judges for Bonsai at the world-famous Chelsea flower Show. His own trees have been extensively exhibited.

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Dan Barton's background as a Teacher of Graphic Art's makes this one of the easiest and comprehensible book on Bonsai ever written. Dan has a very easygoing style that reads well. His

section on Black Pines is the best reference for anyone who is trying to develop a quality Bonsai. This is a must have book for beginners and old hands alike

This single book had everything I needed to help find and maintain my first tree... and then my second and third :) The thing is, there are SO many books and resources on the web that a person just doesn't know where to start? I got lucky when an acquaintance who has been caring for bonsai for ten years suggested this title. The fact that it is a rather old book turned out to be a good thing! It cuts right to the chase with tons of information, side stepping most of the poetic writing I was finding when browsing the bookstore shelves. If you want just the facts, and want them all in one place, this might be the book your looking for? I have half a dozen, and this is the one I use the most. I am new to bonsai and like this book immensely.

Great book. As a beginner, I was looking for a reference guide to get me started. This book has all the information needed for starting, growing, maintaining, repotting, training, and more. This is a timeless resource book.

Great book. Dan was a personal friend of the late Peter Adams and you can see how they influenced each other. It's almost as if they were brothers. Barton's book reveals excellent methods of the art of bonsai and many of its intricacies. Highly recommended. An older text, yet still quite relevant.

I bought the book cause it was cheaper and it is what I was looking for a long time, also it's a classic book for the people do bonsai.

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