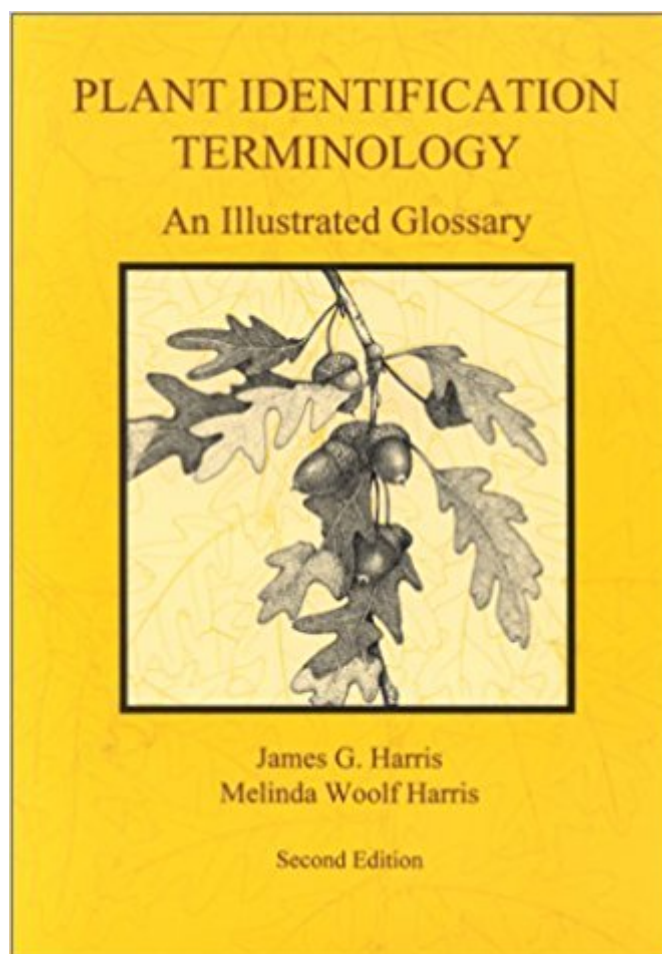


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Extremely helpful for botany courses

Indispensable.

This book will make the difference in being able to use or not use books written for Botanists. Without knowing the terminology, comprehensive keys are impossible to understand or use. Want to ID plants like a pro? Then you need this book

I am currently studying Botanical Latin, though I don't have a very good background in botany. I find the definitions and illustrations in the Harris' book admirably concise, clear, and conveniently organized into two halves, one alphabetic, one by category (from the Roots up). For my purposes, this book has been easy to use, a pleasure to use, and in fact indispensable.

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