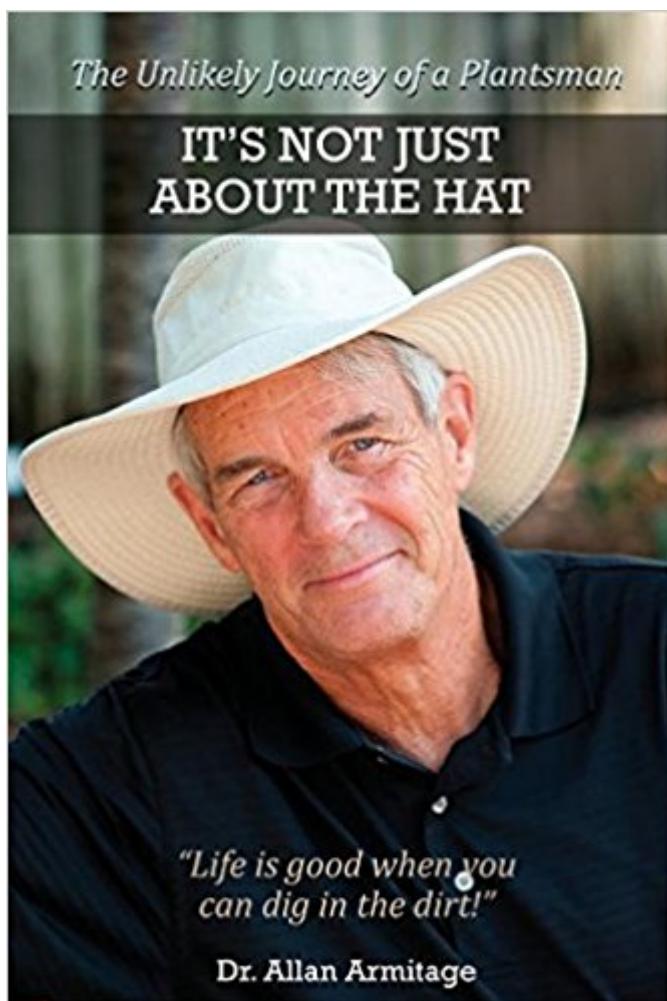


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It's Not Just About The Hat: The Unlikely Journey Of A Plantsman



Synopsis

Dr. Allan Armitage reflects on "How did I get here?" in a open-hearted, conversational style book. After many years of teaching horticulture at the University of Georgia and inspiring students, gardeners, and practitioners in the horticulture industry, he retired Professor Emeritus. From the grave yard to the back yard, he shares stories about the plants and people that shaped his career. Not one to sit on his laurels, Allan finally found the time to reflect and craft this irreverent look backwards in time as to how he arrived where he is today.

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Customer Reviews

I've known Allan Armitage over 20 years although not closely. I purchased the book when he was here speaking a couple of months ago. His textbooks were always in my backpack, I went to short courses and loved how much he loved horticulture. But reading the book has given me an understanding that his life wasn't always perfect, he came to horticulture later rather than sooner as many of us did and it makes him human. If you are looking for idol worship, this isn't the book for you. This is a book about a man who loves what he does and shares it with you.

This wonderful storyteller and teacher reveals his compelling accounts from one end of life to the other. From the heartbreak truths about his early years to his hypnotic travels of adventure, then on to his career as one of the most interesting professors in the field of Horticulture. He tells not only of plant facts and findings, but of life lessons anyone can learn from. Order this today- You'll love it!

I had the good fortune to hear the author speak at a horticultural event a few years ago, and he was witty, humorous, and insightful. This book is the same! I would recommend it to the novice gardener as well as experienced professionals, even people who might not garden, but love plants and would enjoy a good life story.

This really helped me to understand Dr. Armitage a bit more. In many ways I wish I had read it - to have some of his advice and wisdom 25 years ago when I started in academia. It is an easy read and is a good example of how life doesn't proceed in a straight line and goals change as opportunities arise. A very human story.

I'm already a big fan of Allan's books, so was looking forward to reading more about how he became such a passionate and knowledgeable gardener. Like Allan, this book is peppered with humour and I found myself laughing out loud many times. Sometimes in public (oops!) It was great to peek into such a wonderful life.

A great book. This plantsman's journey, with all its interesting twists, was told with refreshing candour, passion and joy. The wonderful stories kept the beat going. Not only does each story stand so well on its own but together these engaging stories create a beautifully compelling garden picture of a full life.

Funny, uplifting, and inspiring! What a fun journey to go on with one of the finest horticulturists and storytellers. Dr. Armitage has had a positive and influential impact on the horticulture industry for the past few decades. It would not be what it is today without him.

Armitage is the best at telling stories. This time he tells us about his life and how he arrived at the pinnacle of perennials. I love the personal stories that he relates. If I thought I loved this plant king before, this book makes him even more approachable.

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