

Gardening from a Hammock Presentation on Low-Maintenance Gardening

Biography for Dan Cooper

Dan Cooper has been a Master Gardener for over 20 years and is the co-author of *Gardening from a Hammock*, a book on low-maintenance gardening that features the gardens and advice of 17 well-known garden experts, landscapers and designers.

Dan is a landscape designer who specializes in shade gardens and organic gardening. He is the owner of Green Gardens and Tours, a company that provides garden design, advice and tours to exotic gardens.

An avid world traveller, Dan is a published travel writer and photographer who has visited, written about and photographed gardens in North and South America, Southeast Asia, Australasia, China and India.

Dan's photos have appeared in the Toronto Star, on the websites of the Lonely Planet, Smithsonian, Trip Advisor, Flight Centre, Delta Vacations, Hotwire, Taca Airlines, International Living, Westjet airline, and 50Plus, in Reader's Digest, in "Transitions Abroad" and RCI's "Endless Vacation" magazines, and in travel brochures and travel agency websites around the world.

Dan is a member of the Garden Writers Association and his articles have appeared on the 50Plus magazine and website, in the travel magazine "Transitions Abroad", in "Trellis" the Toronto Botanical Garden's magazine, Ontario Gardener, Canadian Organic Grower, and in Australia's national newspaper "The Australian."

Dan is also the first recipient of the Marshall McLuhan Award for Creative Communications.

Dan delivers two presentations to horticultural societies, garden clubs and the general public. The first is an informative and entertaining talk on low-maintenance gardening based on his book *Gardening from a Hammock*. The second is called "Exotic Flowers of Southeast Asia" and is based on his extensive travels to botanical gardens in that part of the world. The colourful talk is part travelogue, part intriguing and amazing display of bizarre plants and flowers. It really brightens up a grey winter day.

His photos can be viewed at www.istockphoto.com/coopermoisse and his travel blog can be seen at www.moissecooper.blogspot.com

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