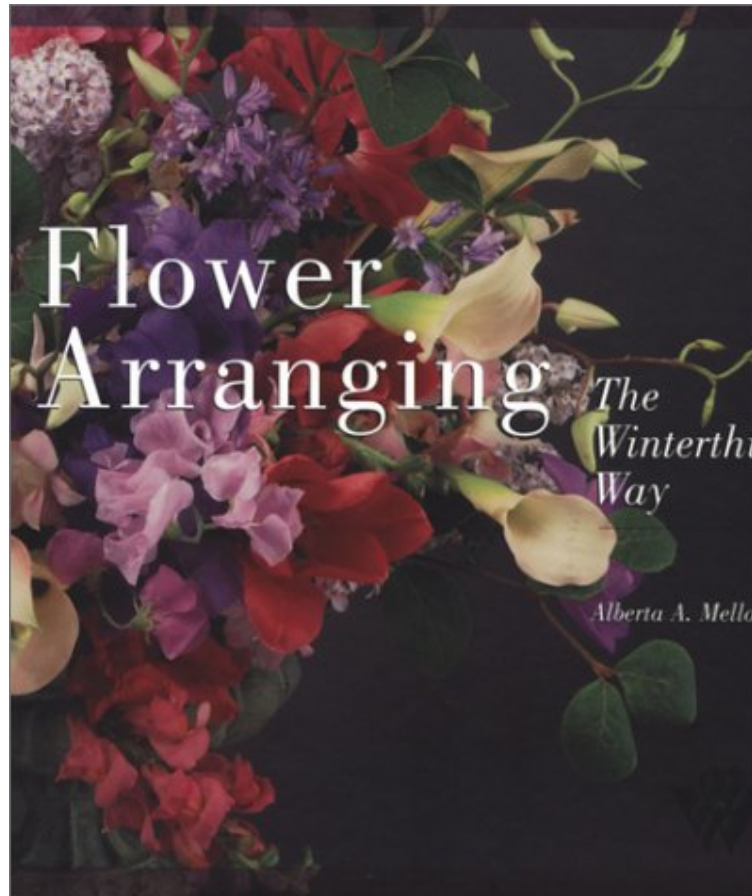


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illustrates the aesthetics of decorating with flowers in the Winterthur house. Author Alberta A. Melloy, head flower arranger at the museum from 1983 to 1990, has provided advice on all the basics: conditioning of material, design principles, and how-to suggestions for creating fresh arrangements as well as the famous Winterthur Yuletide dried-flower tree. Complete with a lively introduction detailing the du Pont family's lifelong interest in flowers, and an easy-to-use glossary, this book offers an insiders perspective on the relationship between craft and history at the nations premier decorative arts museum.

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