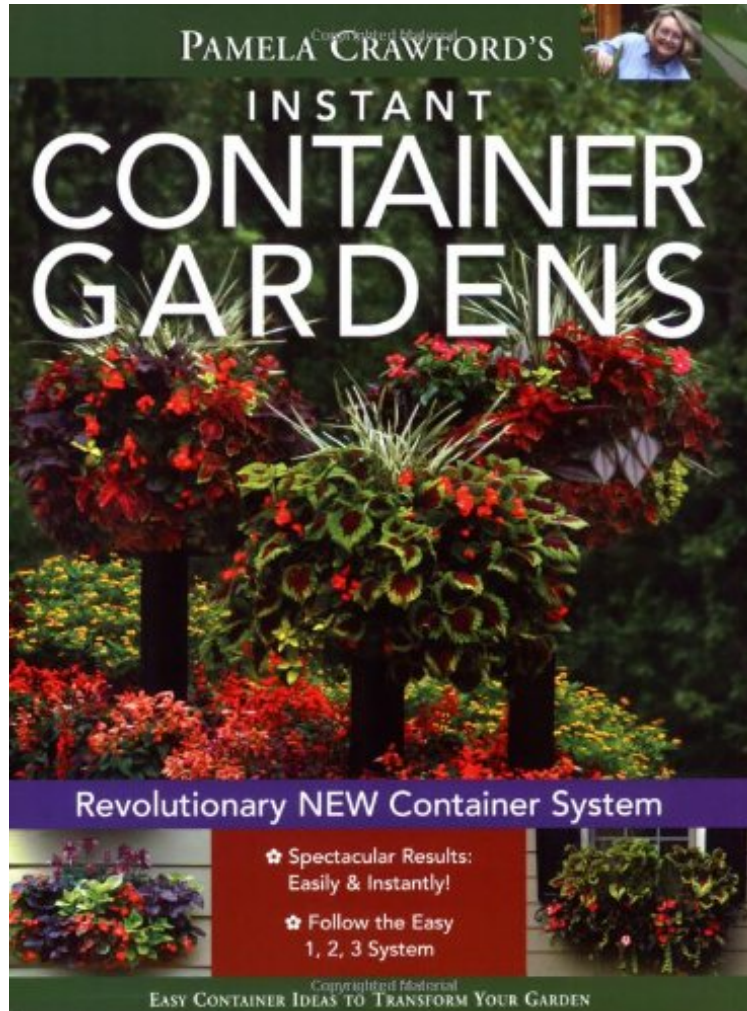


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About the Author Pamela Crawford has a BA from Vanderbilt University and a Masters Degree in Landscape Architecture from Florida Intenational University. She has designed 1500 gardens for residences and country clubs. Her container designs have been featured on the cover of Better Homes and Gardens publications, as well as in Southern Living. She has also been featured on the Fine Living Network as a container garden expert. This is her fifth gardening book.