



## The Plant Hunters: The Adventures of the World's Greatest Botanical Explorers (Hardback)

By Carolyn Fry

University of Chicago Press, United States, 2013. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 292 x 226 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. From geraniums to begonias, the common plants that often adorn backyard gardens are rarely native to our region. The same goes for many of the diverse and delicious fruits and vegetables that grace our dinner tables. We take their accessibility and ubiquity for granted, unaware of the great debt we owe to the naturalists and explorers who traveled around the world in search of these then unusual plants and brought back samples and seeds along with fantastic stories. In *The Plant Hunters*, Carolyn Fry pays homage to those whose obsession with plants gave rise to our own passion for botanicals and gardening. Lavishly illustrated with more than one hundred images from the archives at the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew, *The Plant Hunters* offers an accessible history of plant exploration and discovery through short, informative entries. From the naturalists of Alexander the Great's entourage to pioneering botanists such as Joseph Hooker, Joseph Banks, and Alexander von Humboldt, Fry's history covers the globe in its celebration of our fascination with plants. She shows how coconut trees and numerous...



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