## **Further information**

Readers who are interested in learning more about these wonderful tuberous begonias are advised to purchase one or other of the several specialist books available on the subject. Check with your bookseller or nearest Begonia Society.

## BEGONIAS RECOMMENDED FOR THE GARDEN

Appendix A is a listing of individual begonias that I know will enhance your garden, which are available with persistent seeking and which I have grown successfully in the Sydney area. The list is by no means complete and there are many species and cultivars that I have not mentioned but which are also suitable for garden cultivation. I merely intend this list as a starting point for those new to begonia growing and as a guide for those who already have some in gardens or pots. I also hope that this book will encourage long time begonia growers to try them in the garden, for I know that so many growers regard them only as bush-house or indoor or conservatory plants, following the old time wisdom, now so thoroughly proven wrong.

You will see that I have included a great number of species in this list and I have done so for two reasons. Firstly they are all very beautiful plants, mostly very robust growers and perform extremely well in the landscape, and secondly and most importantly the preservation of species of all plants is of vital importance, for they are, of course, the source of all the characteristics which go to make up the many beautiful cultivars which we so admire in our gardens. I urge all gardeners to include, wherever possible, species in their plantings, no matter the type of plants which most interest them. This will help ensure their preservation.