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Help your trees, shrubs, and vines look and yield their best by making the right cut every time. Whether you are hoping for more flowers or fruit, trying to create a dense screen, or struggling to manage out-of-control growth, there is a pruning technique to achieve your goals. Expert gardener Barbara Ellis explains how a plant responds to pruning, how and when to use basic cuts, and what tools to use. Her plant-by-plant

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guide will give you the confidence you need to make that first cut.

Provides instructions for installing and equipping greenhouses and discusses plants suited for growing under glass, the care of both the plants and the equipment, diseases and pests that can infect greenhouses, and related topics

Matchmaking in the garden! In this charming guide to companion planting for your vegetable-garden favorites, you'll learn why Broccoli ♥ Rosemary and whether Cucumber + Corn = friends with benefits. (Just watch out for Celery! Leggy and leafy, she is

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notoriously easygoing and will happily settle down with just about anyone, raising a ruckus in your raised beds.) Complete with 20 pairings, tasty recipes, prep-aration tips, and more, Soil Mates is the perfect partner for your horticultural matchmaker.

Vertical gardening is the latest, most talked about trend in gardening. Outdoor living walls planted with anything from succulents to vegetables, are springing up in urban and suburban areas and even commercial spaces.

Home gardeners are now ready to take advantage of the vertical spaces in their own gardens. Ornamental gardeners searching for

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help with narrow planting beds or choosing the appropriate trellis, small space gardeners in need of specific solutions, edible gardeners interested in creative ways to mix edibles with ornamentals will find the help they need. Garden Up! offers inspiration and how-to information for enhancing any outdoor space. Authors Susan Lee Morrison, and Rebecca Sweet offer advice on plant selection across the country, and include easy do-it-yourself projects than add unique touches to any garden. This innovative book was named to the Top 10 Home & Garden list for Amazon's Best Books of 2011!

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*Niki Jabbour's Veggie Garden Remix
Perfectly Timed Gardening for Your Most
Bountiful Harvest Ever
Sustainable Market Farming
A Fresh Approach to Celebrating Tomatoes in
the Garden and in the Kitchen
Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening
A History
You Bet Your Garden Guide to Growing Great
Tomatoes, Second Edition*

Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening is your "201" level course in cultivating produce. Expand your knowledge base and discover options that go beyond the ordinary! Prepare to encounter new varieties of common plant

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species, learn their history and benefits, and, most of all, identify fascinating new edibles to grow in your own gardens. Written by gardening expert Matt Mattus, *Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening* offers a wealth of new and exciting opportunities, alongside beautiful photography, lore, insight, and humor that can only come from someone who has grown each vegetable himself and truly loves gardening. More than 200 varieties of vegetables and herbs from the 50 most popular groups are featured in hands-on profiles that tell you how, where, and why to grow each one. Take artichokes for example: They are far from the most common edibles home growers choose, but when and if you choose to grow artichokes, you'll be fortunate to find more than one seed option, even

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at the better nurseries. In truth, there are nearly a dozen varieties of artichoke that are suitable for home growing in just about any climate, and each has its own unique benefits and characteristics. In *Mastering the Art of Vegetable Gardening*, you will find 10 types of artichoke described in through, loving detail—along with helpful tips on where and how to acquire seeds for each. And artichokes are just one item in this field-tested garden basket. Other popular and fascinating vegetables include: celtuce, Asian greens, cowpeas, carrots and parsnips, potatoes, parsley, and of course the tomato—you'll find over two dozen varieties discussed. If you are one of the more than 800,000 folks per year who has begun growing vegetables at home, *Mastering the Art of Vegetable*

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Gardening is the reference you need to pursue this rewarding activity to a whole new level of excellence, satisfaction, and success.

Guinness world record holder Charles Wilber reveals for the first time how he grows record-breaking tomatoes without chemicals.

“A compellingly drawn dystopian future.” —BCCB The Maze Runner meets The Hunger Games in this heart-pounding trilogy—now in paperback. Orphaned teens, soon to be hunted for sport, must flee their resettlement camps in their fight for survival and a better life. For in the Republic of the True America, it's always hunting season. Riveting action, intense romance, and gripping emotion make this fast-paced adventure a standout debut. After a

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radiation blast burned most of the Earth to a crisp, the new government established settlement camps for the survivors. At the camp, sixteen-year-old "LTs" are eager to graduate as part of the Rite. Until they learn the dark truth: LT doesn't stand for lieutenant but for Less Thans, feared by society and raised to be hunted for sport. They escape and join forces with the Sisters, twin girls who've suffered their own haunting fate. Together they seek the fabled New Territory, with sadistic hunters hot on their trail. Secrets are revealed, allegiances are made, and lives are at stake. As unlikely Book and fearless Hope lead their quest for freedom, these teens must find the best in themselves to fight the worst in their enemies. Catch the rest of the series in *The Capture* and *The Release*!

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Heirloom Tomatoes - Ugly, but very profitable! Heirloom tomatoes never look perfect like supermarket tomatoes. They have wrinkles or blemishes, and some varieties are just plain ugly. But beneath that ugly skin, you'll discover rich and wonderful flavors. Once a shopper has tasted a heirloom tomato, they're hooked. That's why heirloom tomatoes can bring big profits to market growers - as much as \$100 a plant - and repeat sales from customers who love the old-fashioned taste and flavor. Growing heirloom tomatoes can produce over \$16 per square foot of garden space. Since they do not ship well, they must be sold close to where they are grown, which fits right in with the "buy local" trend. Today's consumers are choosing to spend more on high-quality local produce that is healthy, flavorful

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and naturally grown. You can get your share of those dollars with heirloom tomatoes and earn more growing healthy food you can be proud to sell. In this book, you'll discover the best varieties to grow, how to double your harvest yields and how to get top dollar for your harvest, plus a resource chapter with seed suppliers, free university research and how-to growing videos. Order now and get growing!

Tomatomania!

How to Prune Trees & Shrubs

How to Grow World Record Tomatoes

The Texas Tomato Lover's Handbook

High-Yield Vegetable Gardening

How to Grow Plants, No Matter Where You Live: Raised

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Beds • Vertical Gardening • Indoor Edibles • Balconies and Rooftops • Hydroponics

224 New Plants to Shake Up Your Garden and Add Variety, Flavor, and Fun

Like many Americans, Doug Fine enjoys his creature comforts, but he also knows full well they keep him addicted to oil. So he wonders: Is it possible to keep his Netflix and his car, his Wi-Fi and his subwoofers, and still reduce his carbon footprint? In an attempt to find out, Fine moves to a remote ranch in New Mexico, where he brazenly vows to grow his own food, use sunlight to power his world, and drive on restaurant grease. Never mind that he has no farming, mechanical or electrical skills. Whether installing solar panels, defending goats

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he found on Craigslist against coyotes, or co-opting waste oil from a local restaurant to fill the tank in his Ridiculously Oversized American Truck, Fine's undertaking makes one thing clear: It ain't easy being green. In fact, his journey uncovers a slew of surprising facts about alternative energy, organic and locally grown food, and climate change.--From publisher description. New York Times bestselling author William Alexander takes readers on the surprisingly twisty journey of the beloved tomato in this fascinating and erudite microhistory. The tomato gets no respect. Never has. Lost in the dustbin of history for centuries, accused of being vile and poisonous, subjected to being picked hard-green and gassed, even used as a projectile, the poor

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tomato has become the avatar for our disaffection with industrial foods -- while becoming the most popular vegetable in America (and, in fact, the world). Each summer, tomato festivals crop up across the country; the Heinz ketchup bottle, instantly recognizable, has earned a spot in the Smithsonian; and now the tomato is redefining the very nature of farming, moving from fields into climate-controlled mega-greenhouses the size of New England villages. Supported by meticulous research and told in a lively, accessible voice, *Ten Tomatoes That Changed the World* seamlessly weaves travel, history, humor, and a little adventure (and misadventure) to follow the tomato's trail through history. A fascinating story complete with heroes, con artists, conquistadors,

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and--no surprise--the Mafia, this book is a mouth-watering, informative, and entertaining guide to the food that has captured our hearts for generations.

When Spring Warren told her husband and two teenage boys that she wanted to grow 75 percent of all the food they consumed for one year—and that she wanted to do it in their yard—they told her she was crazy. She did it anyway. The Quarter-Acre Farm is Warren's account of deciding—despite all resistance—to take control of her family's food choices, get her hands dirty, and create a garden in her suburban yard. It's a story of bugs, worms, rot, and failure; of learning, replanting, harvesting, and eating. The road is long and riddled with mistakes, but by the end of her yearlong experiment, Warren's sons and

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husband have become her biggest fans—in fact, they're even eager to help harvest (and eat) the beautiful bounty she brings in. Full of tips and recipes to help anyone interested in growing and preparing at least a small part of their diet at home, *The Quarter-Acre Farm* is a warm, witty tale about family, food, and the incredible gratification that accompanies self-sufficiency.

A government consultant-turned-Union Square Greenmarket produce farmer describes his decision to resuscitate his family farm in Pennsylvania, efforts to grow heirloom tomatoes and obscure chili peppers, and successes as an in-demand provider for some of New York City's most exacting chefs. Reprint.

The Complete A-Z Guide to Growing Your Own

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Vegetables, Herbs, and Fruits

Carrots Love Tomatoes

Intensive Vegetable Production on a Few Acres

The Prey

Western Garden Book of Edibles

The Quarter-Acre Farm

An Essential Tomato Growing Book

Every spring, thousands of self-described "maniacs" gather for a series of multi-day garden events for the largest tomato seedling sale in the nation: Tomatomania! CEOs and soccer moms, grandmothers and hipsters, hardcore gardeners and eager first-timers—folks from every walk of life unite to celebrate this energetic rite of spring and their shared love of tomatoes. In this practical and fun guide, Tomatomania!

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owner Scott Daigre provides a peek into his Ojai, California, tomato patch and details a "reality gardening" approach to growing the world's favorite summer treat. Tomatomania! walks readers through every step of the tomato gardening process, from the earliest planning stages to those final satisfying kitchen table moments of the season. Including 20 simple yet unique recipes and numerous kitchen tips to get the most out of your tomato harvest, this comprehensive guide to growing and cooking with tomatoes will turn you, too, into a proud 'maniac!

Now that you've mastered gardening basics, you want to enjoy your bounty year-round, right? Homegrown Pantry picks up where beginning gardening books leave off, with in-depth profiles of the 55 most popular crops — including

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beans, beets, squash, tomatoes, and much more — to keep your pantry stocked throughout the year. Each vegetable profile highlights how many plants to grow for a year's worth of eating, and which storage methods work best for specific varieties. Author Barbara Pleasant culls tips from decades of her own gardening experience and from growers across North America to offer planting, care, and harvesting refreshers for every region and each vegetable. Foreword INDIES Silver Award Winner GWA Media Awards Silver Award Winner

Padma Lakshmi, bestselling author and host of Bravo's Top Chef and Hulu's Taste the Nation, and Caldecott Honor-winning illustrator Juana Martinez-Neal team up in this celebration of food and family. "Some of my fondest

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memories from childhood are of cooking with the women in my family. It is the foundation for all I have spent my life working on.” – Padma Lakshmi Neela loves cooking with her amma and writing down the recipes in her notebook. It makes her feel closer to her paati who lives far away in India. On Saturdays, Neela and Amma go to the green market and today they are buying tomatoes to make Paati's famous sauce. But first, Neela needs to learn about all the different kinds of tomatoes they can pick from. And as Neela and Amma cook together, they find a way for Paati to share in both the love and the flavors of the day. Bestselling author and host of Bravo's Top Chef and Hulu's Taste the Nation Padma Lakshmi takes young readers on an intergenerational journey full of delicious flavors and fun food facts that

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celebrates a family's treasured recipes. And Caldecott Honor-winning illustrator Juana Martinez-Neal brings this circle of women to life with vivid detail and warmth. Tomatoes for Neela lovingly affirms how we can connect to other cultures, as well as to our own, through food.

Covers all the "ins" and "outs" of tomato growing, from planting and harvesting to fertilizing and caging, in a guide that comes complete with a review of tomatoes of all shapes, colors, and sizes

A New Way to Garden in Less Space with Less Work
Rare Varieties Unusual Options Plant Lore & Guidance
A Celebration of the Pick of the Crop
Field Guide to Urban Gardening
Over the Fence with Joe Gardener

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Secrets of Companion Planting for Successful Gardening
Tomatoes for Neela

You can easily grow savory fruits in your backyard. In addition to the practical benefits, berry plants bring much beauty to the garden landscape.

In this newly updated guide, you will learn the fundamental aspects of all tomato plants that have helped growers around the world create the largest tomatoes. You will learn the basics of composting and fertilization and what each tomato plant benefits best from. You will also learn how to select your garden location and how to start your new tomato plants from seed. You will learn what kinds of support systems are best for each kind of tomato plant, including the kinds of watering, cages, and nets.

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Growing for 100 - the complete year-round guide for the small-scale market grower. Across North America, an agricultural renaissance is unfolding. A growing number of market gardeners are emerging to feed our appetite for organic, regional produce. But most of the available resources on food production are aimed at the backyard or hobby gardener who wants to supplement their family's diet with a few homegrown fruits and vegetables. Targeted at serious growers in every climate zone, Sustainable Market Farming is a comprehensive manual for small-scale farmers raising organic crops sustainably on a few acres. Informed by the author's extensive experience growing a wide variety of fresh, organic vegetables and fruit to feed the approximately one hundred members of Twin Oaks Community

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in central Virginia, this practical guide provides: Detailed profiles of a full range of crops, addressing sowing, cultivation, rotation, succession, common pests and diseases, and harvest and storage Information about new, efficient techniques, season extension, and disease resistant varieties Farm-specific business skills to help ensure a successful, profitable enterprise Whether you are a beginning market grower or an established enterprise seeking to improve your skills, Sustainable Market Farming is an invaluable resource and a timely book for the maturing local agriculture movement. Pam Dawling is a contributing editor with Growing for Market magazine. An avid vegetable grower, she has been farming as a member of Twin Oaks Community in central Virginia for over twenty years, where she helps grow food for

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around one hundred people on three and a half acres, and provides training in sustainable vegetable production. Even in winter ' s coldest months you can harvest fresh, delicious produce. Drawing on insights gained from years of growing vegetables in Nova Scotia, Niki Jabbour shares her simple techniques for gardening throughout the year. Learn how to select the best varieties for each season, the art of succession planting, and how to build inexpensive structures to protect your crops from the elements. No matter where you live, you ' ll soon enjoy a thriving vegetable garden year-round.

Everything You Need to Know Explained Simply - Including Heirloom Tomatoes

Growing Vegetables in Straw Bales

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An Epic Adventure in Local Living

Ten Tomatoes That Changed the World

Epic Tomatoes

Homegrown Pantry

How I Kept the Patio, Lost the Lawn, and Fed My Family for a Year

More and more gardeners are finding heirloom vegetables to be superior in flavor, color and disease resistance to the more common hybrid commercial varieties. Based on the author's personal adventures in tomato growing,

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this book is suitable for those who love to laugh, love to eat and love to grow tomatoes.--

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Explore and discover more about the humble tomato and learn how to enjoy it in all its glorious variety and versatility. In this wonderfully entertaining and enlightening book, food writer Jenny Linford traces the

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story of the tomato from its origins to the present day in seven feature spreads that look at topics including Tomato Varieties, Grow Your Own, Tomato Flavour Friends, Tomato Festivals, Meet the Growers, Tomato Heritage and Preserving. Start with Small Bites & Side Dishes with recipes for Cherry Tomato Bruschetta, Ginger Tomato Spare Ribs, Bloody Mary Shrimp Cocktails and canapés such as Tomato Basil Granita, Tomato Tuna Empanadas and Plum Tomato

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Tartlets. Heartwarming Soups & Salads include Pappa di Pomodoro, Green Tomato Sorrel Soup, Tomato Tabbouleh, Fattoush and Panzanella; while Fish, Meat & Poultry as well as Vegetable Mains are covered with Tuna Steaks with Miso-glazed Tomatoes, Chicken Cacciatore, Lamb Meatballs, Tunisian Baked Eggs, Provençal Stuffed Tomatoes and Traditional Tomato Dhal. Plus there are Rice Dishes, Breads & Pastry and Sauces, Salsas & Preserves that make

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the most of this delicious and bountiful fruit.

In Field Guide to Urban Gardening, author Kevin Espiritu of Epic Gardening shares the basics of growing plants, offers tips on how to choose the right urban gardening method, and troubleshoots the most common problems you'll encounter. If you think it's impossible to grow your own food because you don't have a large yard or you live in the city...think again. There

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is a plethora of urban gardening options to create beautiful, productive edible gardens no matter where you live. The key to succeeding as an urban gardener is to choose the method(s) that make sense for your unique living situation and then give your plants what they need to thrive. Kevin helps you do just that. But he doesn't stop there. He also provides in-depth garden plans, from upcycled DIY projects and intensive hydroponic systems to

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beautiful and functional raised beds. Urban gardening is a real, growing, and important movement in today's world. This fact-packed book is your roadmap to get growing today. Urban gardening techniques featured include: Container Gardening Raised Beds Indoor Edibles Balconies and Rooftops Hydroponics Notes from an Accidental Tomato Farmer Growing and Caring for Tomatoes The Berry Grower's Companion The Complete Guide to Growing Tomatoes

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*Breakthrough Vegetable Gardening Method
- All-New Information On: Urban & Small
Spaces, Organics, Saving Water - Make
Your Own Bales With Or Without Straw!*

Farewell, My Subaru

*Garden Up! Smart Vertical Gardening for
Small and Large Spaces*

*“A Way to Garden prods us toward that ineffable place
where we feel we belong; it’s a guide to living both in and
out of the garden.” —The New York Times Book Review
For Margaret Roach, gardening is more than a hobby,
it’s a calling. Her unique approach, which she calls*

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“horticultural how-to and woo-woo,” is a blend of vital information you need to memorize and intuitive steps you must simply feel and surrender to. In A Way to Garden, Roach imparts decades of garden wisdom on seasonal gardening, ornamental plants, vegetable gardening, design, gardening for wildlife, organic practices, and much more. She also challenges gardeners to think beyond their garden borders and to consider the ways gardening can enrich the world. Brimming with beautiful photographs of Roach’s own garden, A Way to Garden is practical, inspiring, and a must-have for every passionate gardener.

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Whether you're a seasoned gardener determined to increase crop yields or starting your very first vegetable garden, the Week-by-Week Vegetable Gardener's Handbook will help you manage your schedule and prioritize what's important. Detailed weekly to-do lists break gardening down into simple and manageable tasks so that you always know what needs to be done and when to do it, from starting seeds and planting strawberries to checking for tomato hornworms and harvesting carrots. Enjoy a bountiful harvest with this organized and stress-free approach to gardening.

Savor your best tomato harvest ever! Craig LeHoullier

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provides everything a tomato enthusiast needs to know about growing more than 200 varieties of tomatoes, from planting to cultivating and collecting seeds at the end of the season. He also offers a comprehensive guide to various pests and tomato diseases, explaining how best to avoid them. With beautiful photographs and intriguing tomato profiles throughout, Epic Tomatoes celebrates one of the most versatile and delicious crops in your garden. Offers advice on the best way to grow tomato plants and information on different types of tomatoes.

Heirloom

Tomatoland

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Square Foot Gardening

You Bet Your Garden Guide to Growing Great Tomatoes

A Gardener's Guide to Selecting the Best Varieties & Planting the Perfect Amounts for What You Want to Eat Year-Round

Week-by-Week Vegetable Gardener's Handbook

How to Select and Grow the Best Varieties of All Time

Best-selling author Niki Jabbour invites you to shake up your vegetable garden with an intriguing array of 224 plants from around the world. With her lively "Like this? Then try this!" approach, Jabbour encourages you to start with what you

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know and expand your repertoire to try related plants, many of which are delicacies in other cultures. Jabbour presents detailed growing information for each plant, along with fun facts and plant history. Be prepared to have your mind expanded and catch Jabbour's contagious enthusiasm for experimentation and fun in the garden.

Plant parsley and asparagus together and you'll have more of each, but keep broccoli and tomato plants far apart if you want them to thrive. Utilize the natural properties of plants to nourish the soil,

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repel pests, and secure a greater harvest. With plenty of insightful advice and suggestions for planting schemes, Louise Riotte will inspire you to turn your garden into a naturally nurturing ecosystem.

You won't believe your eyes when you see the size of your harvest! In High-Yield Vegetable Gardening, authors Colin McCrate and Brad Halm show how you can make your food garden much more productive, no matter how big or small it is. You'll learn their secrets for preparing the soil, selecting and rotating your crops, and mapping

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out a specific customized plan to make the most of your space and your growing season. Packed with the charts, tables, schedules, and worksheets you need — as well as record-keeping pages so you can repeat your successes next year — this book is an essential tool for the serious gardener.

This national title reveals the basics of gardening and the fundamentals needed for gardening success. Author Joe Lamp'l, and Joe Gardener introduces us to the landscape challenges faced by all homeowners. Many gardeners attempt projects without clear direction, while others hesitate,

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*feeling they need better resources to guide them.
Joe Gardener can help!*

*How to Grow Great-Tasting Tomatoes in Any
Backyard, Garden, Or Container*

*How Modern Industrial Agriculture Destroyed Our
Most Alluring Fruit*

*A Guinness Champion Reveals His All-organic
Secrets*

*Easy Planting, Less Weeding, Early Harvests. A
Storey BASICS® Title*

A Hands-On Primer for Every Season

How to Grow Your Own Food 365 Days a Year, No

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Matter Where You Live

A Way to Garden

A new edition of the classic gardening handbook details a simple yet highly effective gardening system, based on a grid of one-foot by one-foot squares, that produces big yields with less space and with less work than with conventional row gardens. Reissue. 30,000 first printing.

Complete instructions for growing over 190 vegetables, herbs, berries, fruits, nuts, and tropical fruits in the ground and in containers. Plans and design ideas for

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kitchen gardens of all sizes, as well as easy-to-follow guidelines for composting, building raised beds, and more. Growing season details for all regions of the West, including Alaska and Hawaii. Timely tips from edibles experts around the West-British Columbia to New Mexico. More than 300 pages of color photographs, practical advice, and inspiration from the editors of Sunset magazine, the West's authority on gardening. Provides information about how to use straw bales as planting containers for vegetable gardening.

“An indictment of our modern agricultural

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system . . . in the tradition of the best muckraking journalism” from the three-time James Beard Award-winner (The Washington Post). In Tomatoland, investigative food journalist Barry Estabrook reveals the huge human and environmental cost of the \$5 billion fresh tomato industry. He traces the supermarket tomato from its birthplace in the deserts of Peru to the impoverished town of Immokalee, Florida, a.k.a. the tomato capital of the United States. He visits the laboratories of seedsmen trying to develop varieties that can withstand the rigors of agribusiness and still taste like a garden

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tomato, and then moves on to commercial growers who operate on tens of thousands of acres, and eventually to a hillside field in Pennsylvania, where he meets an obsessed farmer who produces delectable tomatoes for the nation's top restaurants. Throughout Tomatoland Estabrook presents a who's who cast of characters in the tomato industry: the avuncular octogenarian whose conglomerate grows one out of every eight tomatoes eaten in the United States; the ex-Marine who heads the group that dictates the size, color, and shape of every tomato shipped out of Florida; the U.S. attorney who has doggedly prosecuted

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human traffickers for the past decade; and the Guatemalan peasant who came north to earn money for his parents' medical bills and found himself enslaved for two years.

Tomatoland reads like a suspenseful whodunit and is "at its most potent and scathing in its portrayal of South Florida's tomato growers and their tactics over the past half-century" (The New York Times). "An important and readable book." –The Atlantic

The Greenhouse Expert

Grow More of What You Want in the Space You Have

100 Heirloom Tomatoes for the American Garden

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**Straw Bale Gardens Complete
The Year-Round Vegetable Gardener
Easy Techniques for Timely Trimming. A Storey
BASICS® Title**

Growing Tomatoes is Just About to Get Easier The tomato is a wonderfully versatile plant that repays any care and attention it is given. Following the simple but important guidelines in this book and by adopting the tips and tricks described for caring for tomatoes, you should ensure you can grow and enjoy a splendid crop of tomatoes, even as an absolute beginner. Whether you plan to grow tomatoes in your garden, in a greenhouse, or in pots on the patio, this book will guide you through the complete

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growing process using suggestions handed down through the generations from father to son. The tomatoes that result should be wholesome, healthy and taste better than almost any mass-produced one. Tomato Plants The varieties of tomato plants you grow at home can be diversified and adjusted to suit your need for a tastier tomatoes. Unlike the store bought tomatoes, the emphasis is on how good they taste, how fresh they are and how you want to eat them. There is no need to worry about shelf life or transportation damage, or a need to sacrifice taste to ensure they look pristine on the supermarket shelves after their journey. The only journey your tomatoes will need to take is from the garden to the kitchen. And lets face it there is no better tasting tomato than one that is picked straight from the vine and on your

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plate in a matter of minutes. That is why tomato gardening is so rewarding. Growing Tomatoes - What's Covered You may live in the USA, the UK or Australia, but the method for growing tomatoes follows a similar process. Without doubt some things will need to be adapted slightly for where you live and your climate, but the following topics will cover your options and will lead you to a successful crop of tomatoes: Selecting seed and plant types Your tomato planting schedule Growing tomatoes from seed Planting tomatoes How to use a greenhouse Best ways to support your tomato plants Tomato pruning, watering and feeding Pest control and dealing with problems Ripening and using tomatoes Hopefully you will agree its a comprehensive guide to growing tomatoes that will potentially be your point of

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reference for years to come. Make sure you enjoy eating your tomatoes, fresh, straight from your own garden or greenhouse. Included are photographs, interesting facts and references to numerous sources of information for additional reading. Excellent value as a dedicated work of reference.

A garden-grown tomato, sliced and laid across a grilled hamburger . . . Sweet, plump cherry tomatoes in a crisp, green salad . . . Sauce made from fresh tomatoes, ladled over a steaming bowl of pasta . . . Spicy tomato salsa . . . Savory tomato soup . . . Is there any single vegetable as mouth-watering as the tomato? And yet, as thousands of people—tired of mushy, half-green, and tasteless tomatoes bought from supermarkets—have discovered, much more is involved in growing your own than

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simply putting a plant or two in the ground and expecting to harvest luscious tomatoes a few weeks later. William D. Adams draws on more than thirty years' experience to provide a complete, step-by-step guide to success in the tomato patch. Growing good tomatoes requires a gardener's attention to a variety of factors, and Adams begins by explaining the basics of soil preparation, planting, feeding, caging, and watering. He also outlines the pros and cons of standard, hybrid, heirloom, and cherry varieties, sharing tips about old favorites and suggesting new varieties. After the tomatoes are chosen, planted, and thriving under his tutelage, Adams prepares growers for the insects, diseases, and other visitors they are likely to encounter, warning that "gardeners are not the only ones that love

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tomatoes." He ends by offering a few words about "tomato kin folk" (peppers, eggplants, tomatillos, and potatoes), along with a source list of selected suppliers. Liberally sprinkled with the author's easy humor and illustrated throughout with excellent photographs, The Texas Tomato Lover's Handbook has everything you'll need to assure a bumper crop, year after year. Straw bale gardening is an inexpensive, low-maintenance way to grow a bounty of food in a small space. All you need is a bale of straw, some fertilizer, and your favorite vegetable seeds! Craig LeHoullier's step-by-step instructions show you how to do everything from sourcing the straw and setting up your bale to planting, dealing with weeds and pests, and harvesting. Grow the best vegetable garden ever with timeless, tried-and-true

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- Space for recording your observations and experiences*
- Delicious recipes -Ways to preserve your harvest -And much more!*

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