



# DIG INTO GARDENING

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**Belsinger, Susan.** *Grow your own herbs : the 40 best culinary varieties for home gardens*

**635.7 BEL** Grow the forty most important culinary herbs. You'll learn basic gardening information, including details on soil, watering, and potting. Profiles of 40 herbs—including popular varieties like basil, bay laurel, lemon verbena, tarragon, savory, thyme, and more—feature tasting notes, cultivation information, and harvesting tips. Additional information includes instructions for preserving and storing, along with techniques for making delicious pastes, s

**Beyers, Daryl.** *The New Gardener's Handbook*

**635 BEY** A comprehensive overview of the fundamentals of gardening, based on the introductory gardening class that Beyers teaches at New York Botanical Garden. Readers will learn about soil, plant selection, propagation, planting and mulching, watering and feeding, pruning, and weeds, pests, and diseases. The information applies to both ornamental and edible plants. This book gives home gardeners a foundation upon which they can grow, and encourages them to apply the lessons they've learned in an intuitive, natural way.

**Calikim.** *Organic gardening for everyone : homegrown vegetables made easy (no experience required)*

**635.0484 CAL** A personal and friendly approach to a subject that can be intimidating. It is a first-class primer on organic vegetable gardening, and an inspirational story about how anyone can balance the rigors of gardening with the demands of a modern, family-oriented lifestyle.

**Espiritu, Kevin.** *Grow bag gardening : the revolutionary way to grow bountiful vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers in lightweight, eco-friendly fabric pots*

**635.986 ESP** Grow oodles of fruits, vegetables, herbs, and flowers with no heavy lifting or digging required! Grow bag gardening utilizes lightweight, eco-friendly, fabric planter bags to grow great plants with minimal space and care. Get all the know-how you need to successfully grow a hearty homegrown harvest. Grow bags are perfect for urban, container, rooftop, balcony, and patio gardeners.

**Etty, Thomas.** *Heirloom Plants: a complete compendium of heritage vegetables, fruits, herbs & flowers*

**635 ETT** It's nearly impossible for gardeners to resist the allure of heirloom plants. Beyond the classic appeal, however, lies the far more important issue of biodiversity. Unless these unique seeds are grown and saved, they will not only be forgotten, but lost forever. Based on the extensive seed catalogs of Thomas Etty, the popular heirloom seedsman, "Heirloom Plants" includes information on almost 500 exciting cultivars to be grown and harvested, along with detailed

profiles and cultivation tips for each plant. In addition to edibles, the book also has chapters on antique herbs and flowers. Trowel and book in hand, let your motto be, “Growing the past, saving the future”.

**Lawson, Nancy. *The Humane Gardener: Nurturing a Backyard Habitat for Wildlife***

**577.554 LAW** Through engaging anecdotes and inspired advice, profiles of home gardeners throughout the country, and interviews with scientists and horticulturalists, Lawson applies the broader lessons of ecology to our own outdoor spaces. Detailed chapters address planting for wildlife by choosing native species; providing habitats that shelter baby animals, as well as birds, bees, and butterflies; creating safe zones in the garden; cohabiting with creatures often regarded as pests; letting nature be your garden designer; and encouraging natural processes and evolution in the garden. This book fills a unique niche in describing simple principles for all the creatures that share our world.

**Lavoipierre, Frederique. *Garden Allies: the Insects, Birds & Other Animals that Keep your Garden Beautiful & Thriving***

**635 LAV** The birds, mammals, reptiles, and insects that inhabit our yards and gardens are overwhelmingly on our side—they are not our enemies, but instead our allies. They pollinate our flowers and vegetable crops, and they keep pests in check. This book shares fascinating portraits of these creatures, describing their life cycles and showing how they keep the garden’s ecology in balance. Also included is helpful information on how to nurture and welcome these valuable creatures into your garden. With beautiful pen-and-ink drawings you are invited to make friends with the creatures that fill your garden—the reward is a renewed sense of nature’s beauty and a garden humming with life.

**Mahon, Stephanie. *Bulbs: Essential Know-How & Expert Advice for Gardening Success*** **635.944 MAH**

Ideal for first-time gardeners, this garden book is brimming with all you need to know about planting flowers at home. If year-round color and a fresh aroma quicken your gardener’s heart, then you will love planting and cultivating bulbs. Learn how to plant, care for and divide your seasonal blooms, create stunning gardening displays, including naturalistic drifts and eye-catching containers. Choose from a huge range of bulbs, corms and tubers with this gardening reference book’s seasonal directory. Explains which garden bulbs to plant now, plus how to keep them growing and happy!

**Mattus, Matt. *Mastering the Art of Flower Gardening***

**635.9 MAT** Mattus sets you up for success by providing everything you need to know about starting seeds, soil, sowing, hardening off, to transplanting, and growing on. Then, in the following chapters, you’ll find tips for growing over 100 different annuals from seed and many summer bulbs, vines like wisteria and

even blooming shrubs like lilacs. Every flower includes detailed information based on his hands-on experience, going beyond the information typically available on the seed packet or a nursery tag.

**McGuinness, Jen. *Micro food gardening : project plans and plants for growing fruits and veggies in tiny spaces***

**635.986 MCG** Not everyone has room to grow a full-sized tomato plant or a melon vine, but everyone has space for a micro tomato that tops out at the height of a Barbie doll or a dwarf watermelon with vines that won’t grow any longer than your leg. From miniature herbs and salad greens to tiny strawberry plants, baby beets, and mini cabbages, micro gardening offers a surprisingly diverse and delicious array of edible opportunities. Plus, there is step-by-step instructions for a plethora of DIY micro food gardening projects, you’ll be up and growing in no time at all.

**Penick, Pam. *The Water Saving Garden***

**635.9 PEN** With climate change, water rationing, and drought on the rise, conserving water is more important than ever—but that doesn’t mean your gardening options are limited to cacti and rocks. This book provides gardeners and homeowners with a diverse array of techniques and plentiful inspiration for creating outdoor spaces that are so beautiful and inviting, it’s hard to believe they are water-thrifty. Including a directory of 100 plants appropriate for a variety of drought-prone regions of the country, this accessible and contemporary guide is full of must-know information on popular gardening topics.

**Raupach, Melissa. *Regrow your Veggies: Growing Vegetables from Root, Cuttings & Scraps***

**631.53 RAU** An insightful guide that provides effective propagation techniques to recycle and regrow more than 20 popular vegetables, herbs, and fruits right at home! Learn how to have a source of fresh and healthy vegetables close by—from onions and sweet potatoes to pineapples and mangoes. Reduce waste, save money, and learn how to prevent and solve issues with pesky pests and pathogens. This book is packed with tips and information that makes reusing your produce simple and rewarding.

**Wormser, Owen. *Lawns into Meadows : growing a regenerative landscape***

**635.9647 WOR** In a world where lawns have wreaked havoc on our natural ecosystems, meadows offer a compelling solution. It is garden landscaping that is beautiful, all year round. Meadows establish wildlife and pollinator habitats, are low-maintenance and low-cost, have a built-in resilience that helps them weather climate extremes, and can draw down and store far more carbon dioxide than any manicured lawn. Wormser describes how to plant an organic meadow garden or traditional meadow.

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