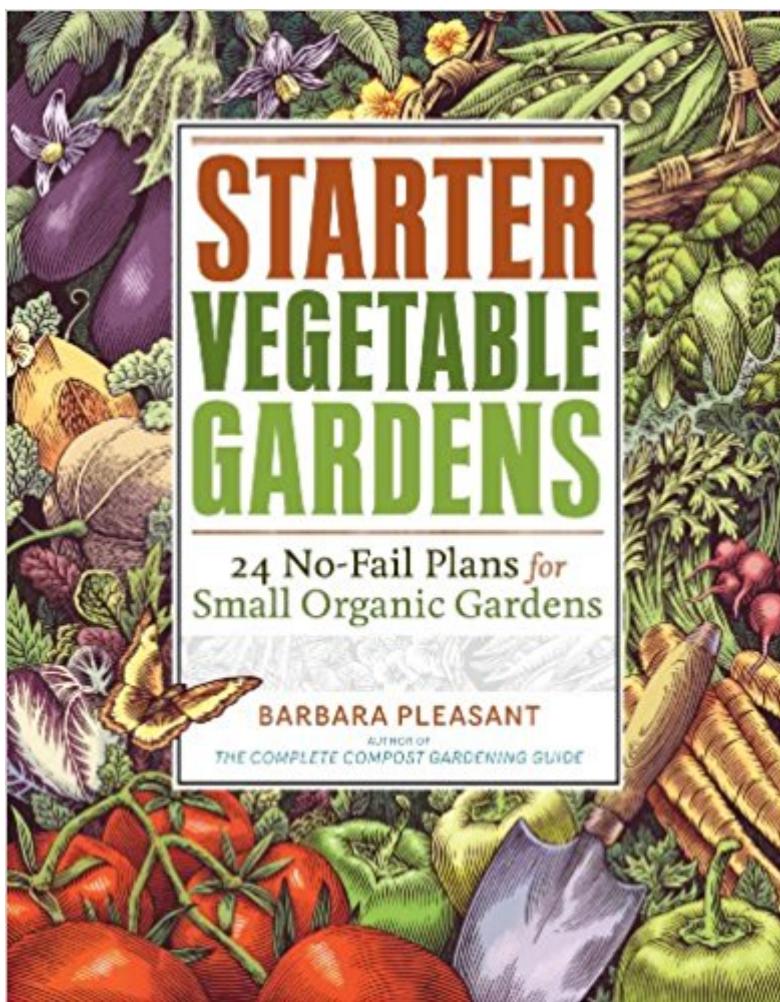


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Starter Vegetable Gardens: 24 No-Fail Plans For Small Organic Gardens



Synopsis

Develop your green thumb as you learn to grow your own food. In this introductory guide to growing vegetables, Barbara Pleasant addresses common problems that first-time gardeners encounter. Using simple language and illustrated garden layouts, Pleasant shows you how to start, maintain, and eventually expand an organic vegetable garden in even the tiniest backyard. With handy tips on enriching soil, planting schedules, watering, fighting pests, and more, you'll quickly discover how easy it is to enjoy your own homegrown vegetables.Â

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After weeks of digging sod in my backyard, I had a chance to read this book. I nearly fell out of my chair reading the first (and easiest) garden plan. Bag gardening consists of laying down bags of topsoil, newspaper, and cardboard to smother the sod. ***I have posted photos above so you can see the technique ***The first year, you actually grow the crop inside the bags. At the end of the season, you gather up the bags and dig the contents into your now-ready bed. Will I be following the total garden plan? Actually, no. But it's one of the best parts about these garden plans, you can adjust them to meet your needs! The second year it mentions that a squash plant will break up the soil for you, and you let it do the work! So I will be following this advice (in my first year), and I will let the squash do all the work!The bountiful border has a wonderful plan for inter spacing plots of vegetable gardens within your flower bed. And the front yard food supply gives wonderful ideas for using that often overlooked area in your front yard without having your neighborhood send around a

petition. It starts with only 43 square feet ...Since both my backyard and frontyard borders are too shady, I will be focusing on the first plan, but adapting techniques from the other two as well. The larger garden plans are well out of my expertise at this point. The second part of the book contains a wealth of knowledge for new gardeners. Some of the sections (like deciding what to grow) may be old hat to experienced gardeners, but for those who are new (like me), it is a good overview. The one thing it mentions is finding vegetables you love that love your yard. If I were to put it in my own words, don't try to grow anything your family won't eat!

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