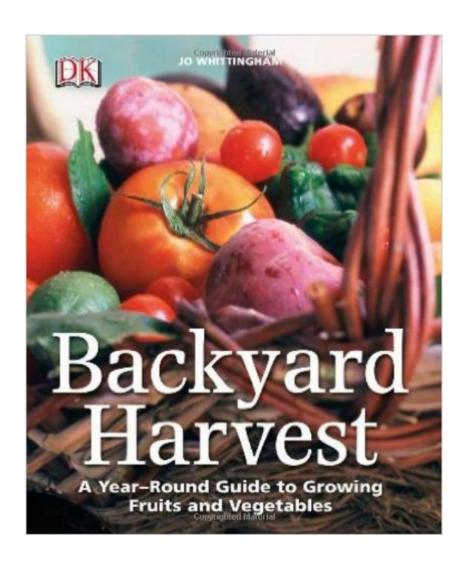
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Backyard Harvest: A Year-round Guide To Growing Fruit And Vegetables





Synopsis

From sowing and planting to growing and harvesting, Backyard Harvest covers storing, freezing, and preserving tips so that you can enjoy your garden's bounty into the winter months and throughout the early-spring gap when little is ready to harvest. Jo Whittingham, a gardener and gardening writer who has written for a range of gardening magazines, is the author of DK's Simple Steps to Success: Vegetable Gardening, and served as consultant on The Kitchen Garden and Grow Fruit.

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Backyard Harvest is written for the gardener who has limited space and money to spend on gardening as well as those who wish to maximize the garden space they already have. Maximizing the garden space to grow food they can enjoy everyday all year round whether preserved, fresh or out of storage in the major focus of this book. Using colored photographs and multiple design ideas the chapters lay out simple yet detailed instructions to help the gardener find just the right method for them. Right from the start Backyard Harvest begins the reader with a very strong message, "Be realistic in your gardening". The idea is to explain common mistakes a gardener may make, from planting to much of one crop, trying crops that may not do well in their area, crops they may not enjoy eating, and going crazy with too many crops for the space they have. The message is laid out in simple features on how to maximize space, select crop varieties and prolonging the growing season for each. Information can be found on the pros and con of renting a space, using containers

in a window, raised beds. There is even a special place that highlights gardening for those who love flowers. This section tells of the benefits of vegetables grown right in with flowers, from the array of foliage, beautiful blooms, colored harvest crops and pest control, each brings a unique design to the location. Throughout the pages select areas give details on the selection of plants and crops. Many of these pages feature colored photographs of actual products along with descriptions that include where it grows best, taste, storage options and many other details. They serve to introduce the reader to many wonderful varieties of common crops such as strawberries, tomatoes and potatoes to name a few.

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