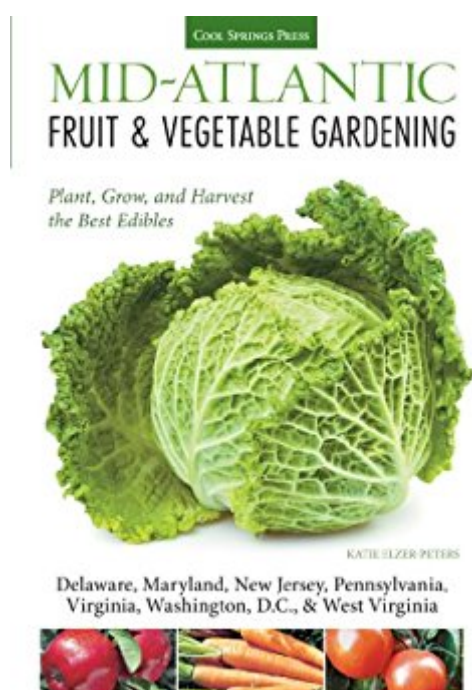


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Mid-Atlantic Fruit & Vegetable Gardening: Plant, Grow, And Harvest The Best Edibles - Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington, ... (Fruit & Vegetable Gardening Guides)



Synopsis

If you're interested in growing your own fruits and vegetables, you've joined the ranks of a blossoming group of DIY gardeners who place a premium on the idea of self-reliance. But like any other kind of gardening, growing edibles is not a one-size-fits-all pursuit: in order to be successful, you'll need to know not only which plants grow well in your state or region, but also how to grow them with careful methods and a schedule that caters specifically to your local microclimate. Fortunately for you, *Mid-Atlantic Fruit & Vegetable Gardening* is written exclusively for gardeners who want to grow edibles in Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, Washington, D.C., or New Jersey. Author Katie Elzer-Peters, the master gardener responsible for our bestselling *Beginner's Illustrated Guide to Gardening* (2012), equips you with all the information you need to design your edible garden, tend the soil, maintain your plants throughout their life cycles, and—most importantly—harvest the delicious foods they produce. So whether you live in the Delaware Valley, in the Beltway, on the Jersey Shore, or anywhere else in the Mid-Atlantic United States, you'll discover the best fruit and vegetable plants for your garden in this beautiful step-by-step how-to guide . . . and they'll be on your table before you know it.

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Customer Reviews

I'm a first time gardener this year, and have wanted to start a vegetable garden for a while now. I knew this season would be the first time I had all the resources to finally have one, so in preparation I began reading online as well as getting books from the library in the fall of last year. I read both general information as well as regional information whenever I could find it. The biggest problem I had was understanding the planting schedule - when to plant what and why. Most of the information on the internet and in general gardening books have the information organized by type of vegetable or fruit, not by growing conditions making it more difficult to sift through and understand which vegetables are best for planting when and where. This book is organized into warm and cool season vegetables and not only did that help me to understand what determines the planting schedule, but helped me to put all the other information I'd been reading into perspective. And I finally understood why some vegetables can be planted twice or continuously produce throughout the season and why others can't; why some have to be planted earlier in the spring or later, why some can weather the winter and others can't. It seems obvious to me now, but none of the other books or sites I had read organized the information in such a way that made it easy for me to "get it". Additionally, there are other tips and information given for each plant (like whether it is easier to sow seeds indoors and then transplant or sow directly outside, info for maintenance, pest problems and harvesting) that are helpful in planning your garden and understanding what needs to be done when throughout the season.

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