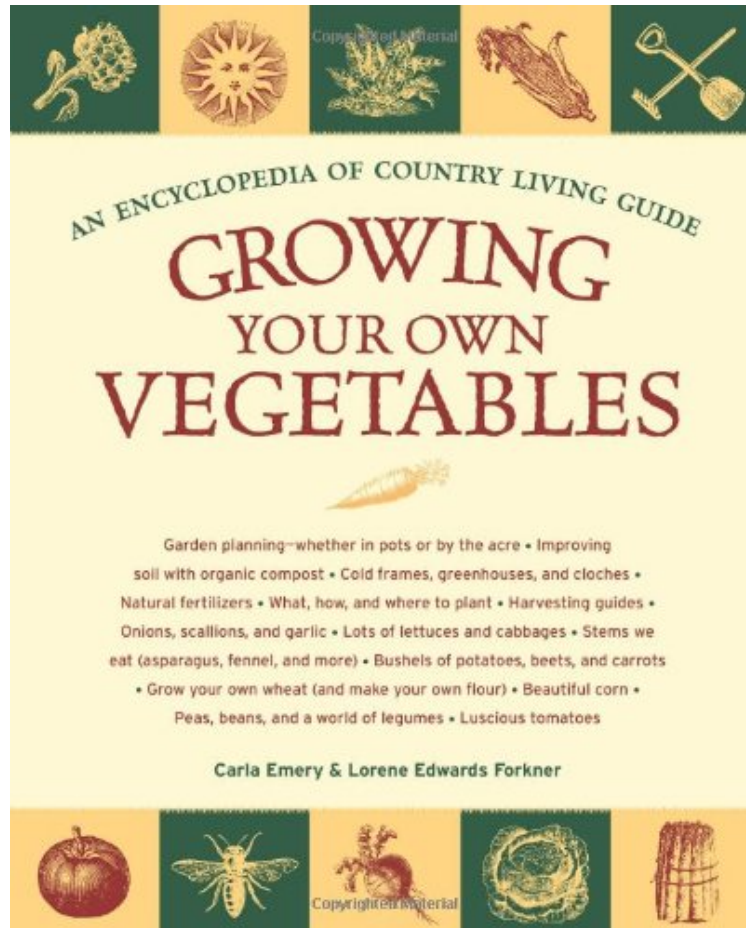


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Practical. Experienced. Down-to-Earth.By Jeffrey E EllisGROWING YOUR OWN VEGETABLES is based on a larger work THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF COUNTRY LIVING by Carla Emery. THE ENCYCLOPEDIA is a massive work of exquisite detail, scope and practicality making it invaluable to the country homesteader.GROWING is born out of real world, practical experience. Carla Emery is witty, wise and eminently down to earth. She takes the reader through the strategy of where and when to plant, what to grow where, and how to do it successfully. The range of topics includes planting to minimize bugs and threats, planning on varying sunshine, preparing soil, continual harvesting, etc.As I have begun planning a new vegetable

garden, I consulted GROWING. It has helped me with tips and practical advice each step of the way. It was like having an experienced gardener in the chair next to me. I highly recommend the book for the novice and expert alike. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Just ok By Kay Gardner I guess I was expecting something more in-depth... I love NOURISHING TRADITIONS by the same author and was expecting something along the same caliber, it is not. The book is more of a beginners guide, it didn't have any info that I have not heard of or seen before. It is 169 pages long BUT the book is physically small... 7x9 inches and it has really large margins. I truly read it cover to cover in an hour. Disappointed. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A beginner's guide to vegetable gardening By N. Smith This book is very basic and lacks some of what would normally be expected from a book instructing you on how to grow vegetables for your kitchen and for preserving. If you are just starting out, this book may get you through a season or two, but there are other references out there that will provide better, in-depth knowledge. I bought this book and it mainly collects dust.

Drawn from and expanded on the bestselling Encyclopedia of Country Living, this is a complete manual for setting up a vegetable garden whether its just a few rows of lettuce or a year-round field that produces enough for a whole family to eat. This book is informed by years of hands-on experience and the wisdom gathered from a generation of homesteaders and small farmers. Starting with planning the garden (plot size, seasonal considerations, getting the most from a small plot) and laying it out (rows, beds, plowing), this book addresses the planning and growing issues for all North American climate zones. Gardeners need to understand (and love) their soil, and the Growing Your Own Vegetables explains it in simple terms, with advice on composting and testing for contamination (so important since this is going to be your food source!). Carla Emery was a very early advocate of gardening without chemical fertilizers, so the approach here is organic all the way. The large part of the book is the crop-by-crop guide to planting, cultivating, and harvesting the delicious vegetables we love to eat: onions, leafy greens, stems and flowers (rhubarb, artichoke, broccoli), roots (spuds, radishes, jicama), grasses grains (just imagine: your own wheat field!), legumes, gourds, and the nightshade family (that would be tomatoes, peppers, eggplant).