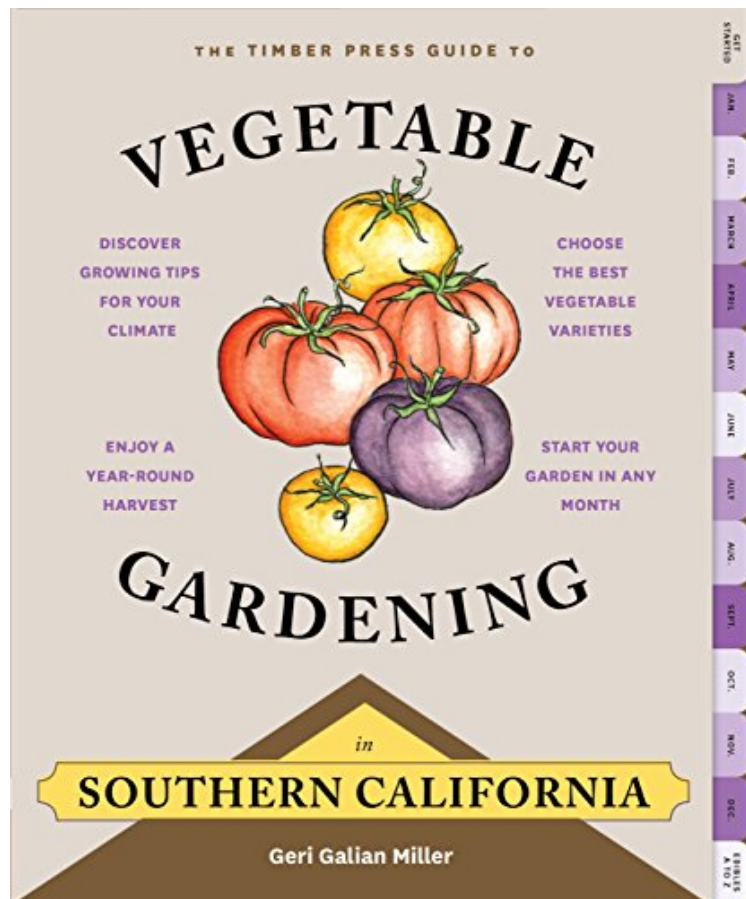


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Geri Galian Miller : The Timber Press Guide to Vegetable Gardening in Southern California (Regional Vegetable Gardening Series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Timber Press Guide to Vegetable Gardening in Southern California (Regional Vegetable Gardening Series):

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Very disappointedBy Customeri found this book very disappointing. At the very least, a full 25% of the book is devoted to the index. A large portion of the book provides only very general information such as soil structure, simple water delivery systems, fertilization, growing in raised beds, and California weather. If you live in So CA, you probably already know about June Gloom and the Santa Ana winds. I was hoping for a month to month guide of suggested planting, culture, specific tasks for each month, harvesting, etc. The only hint of this is a two page chart in the back of the book, the same ones I've gotten for free from Burpee ("Planting Guide for Southern CA") or Ferry Morse ("Planting Guide for Southwest"). An example from the month of

October: "Continue to succession sow quick-maturing crops for a continuing harvest, but give heat-sensitive plants some afternoon shade and do not let them dry out" Duh. Not very specific. And word for word "Sow and Plant" paragraph from the month before. PROS: -about 25% of the book is devoted to the culture of specific crops, although presented entirely separate from the month to month guide.. This section has some potential, although it is anything but comprehensive. Is it possible that there is no mention of spinach at all? Not even in the two page planting guide. But there is a section on agretti, if that is on your list of must have crops... Additionally, nowhere are there suggested varieties that would perform well here in So CA. 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. I quickly found out it is great information for any part of the country. By P. McNabb I took a chance on this one, since the title says it's for southern California, and I live in Tennessee. However, I quickly found out it is great information for any part of the country. This book is everything I've been wanting in a vegetable gardening book. I've needed one that tells me in simple terms what to do BY MONTH in order to get the most out of my garden. I'm one of those people who needs a lot of help, as I'm just getting started in raising my own food, and I was feeling overwhelmed by all the book choices, all the things to know to do and not do. For me, this is just the perfect, go-to book that lays things out simply, but with no shortage of information and help. The woman knows her stuff.. I feel sure this book will be dogeared and underlined into unrecognizable shape in a year or two. Get it. You won't be disappointed. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Helpful... By CNA Helpful and informative information for my growing region. Easy to use, tabs are a nice addition.

Grow your own food in the Golden State! There is nothing more regionally specific than vegetable gardening what to plant, when to plant it, and when to harvest are decisions based on climate, weather, and first frost. The Timber Press Guide to Vegetable Gardening in Southern California, by regional expert Geri Miller, focuses on the unique eccentricities of California's gardening calendar, which include extreme temperatures and low rainfall. The month-by-month format makes it perfect for beginners and accessible to everyone gardeners can start gardening the month they pick it up.

From the Back Cover Crisp cucumbers, leafy greens, fresh snap peas, and vine-ripened melons are just a few of the delights awaiting gardeners in Southern California. While the climate can present gardeners with challenges, there are many ways to have a productive garden and an ever-changing menu of seasonal food. How do you use the summer heat to grow the most delicious tomatoes? Which months are the best for sowing carrot or beet seeds? How can you make the most of your bountiful harvest during the winter months? Geri Miller answers all these questions and more. Monthly planning guides show exactly what you can do in the garden from January through December, and you'll learn skills that go beyond the basics with tutorials on overwintering, making seed pots, drying herbs, and building cold frames. Also included are a comprehensive gardening primer and an A to Z of edibles a detailed, invaluable source for the regions tried-and-tested varieties. Whether you are just starting your season or looking for ways to extend it, this is your guide to producing a bountiful, year-round harvest in Southern California.