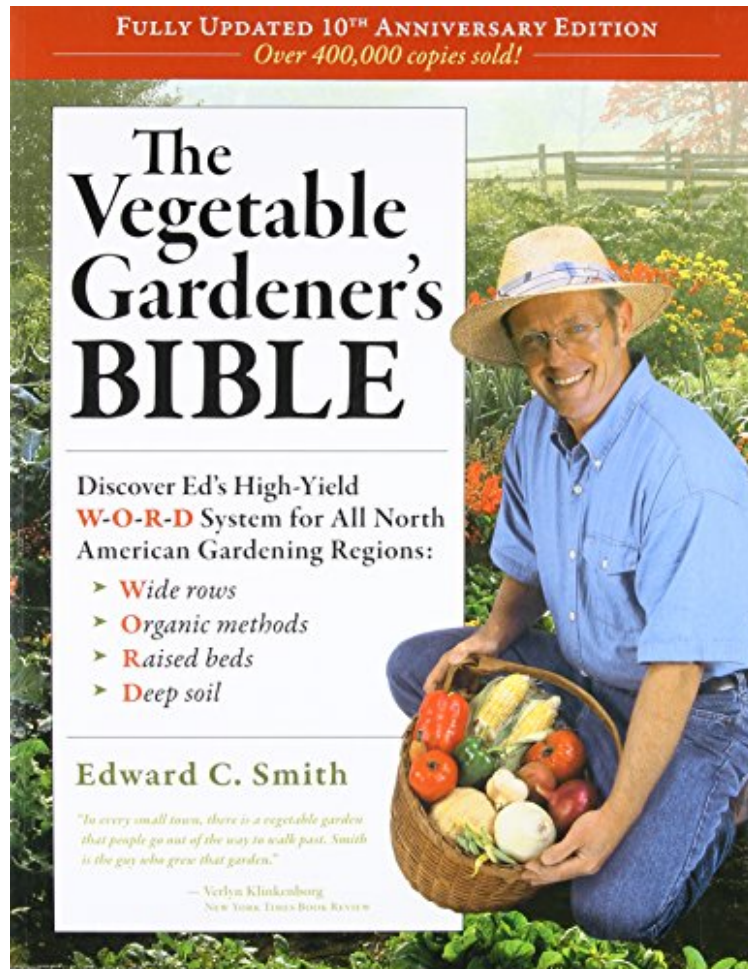


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out there. Detailed planting, growing and harvesting information for most common vegetables - I refer to these monographs over and over again. Also very comprehensive sections on setting up your garden as well as maintaining its health and extending the season. Book is written in plain language - no poetry which sometimes creeps into other gardening books - yet Smith's passion for educating new and old gardeners alike comes through. Author is based in Vermont so I felt his advice was especially well-suited for Northern gardens. If you own one vegetable gardening book make it the appropriately titled *The Vegetable Gardener's Bible*. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. This is a great book to 'go to' when you have a question. Soil pH and composting are covered well. I have to make adjustments on timing of planting here in the desert, but I'm finally getting the hang of it. All in all, glad I purchased it and would recommend.

The invaluable resource for home food gardeners! Ed Smith's W-O-R-D system has helped countless gardeners grow an abundance of vegetables and herbs. And those tomatoes and zucchini and basil and cucumbers have nourished countless families, neighbors, and friends with delicious, fresh produce. *The Vegetable Gardener's Bible* is essential reading for locavores in every corner of North America! Everything you loved about the first edition of *The Vegetable Gardener's Bible* is still here: friendly, accessible language; full-color photography; comprehensive vegetable specific information in the A-to-Z section; ahead-of-its-time commitment to organic methods; and much more. Now, Ed Smith is back with a 10th Anniversary Edition for the next generation of vegetable gardeners. New to this edition is coverage of 15 additional vegetables, including an expanded section on salad greens and more European and Asian vegetables. Readers will also find growing information on more fruits and herbs, new cultivar photographs in many vegetable entries, and a much-requested section on extending the season into the winter months. No matter how cold the climate, growers can bring herbs indoors and keep hardy greens alive in cold frames or hoop houses. The impulse to grow vegetables is even stronger in 2009 than it was in 2000, when Storey published *The Vegetable Gardeners Bible*. The financial and environmental costs of fossil fuels raise urgent questions: How far should we be shipping food? What are the health costs of petroleum-based pesticides and herbicides? Do we have to rely on megafarms that use gasoline-powered machinery to grow and harvest crops? With every difficult question, more people think, "Maybe I should grow a few vegetables of my own." This book will continue to answer all their vegetable gardening questions. Praise for the First Edition: "In every small town, there is a vegetable garden that people go out of the way to walk past. Smith is the guy who grew that garden." Verlyn Klinkenborg, *The New York Times Book Review* "An abundance of photographs . . . visually bolster the techniques described, while frequent subheads, sidebars, and information-packed photo captions make the layout user-friendly . . . [Smith's] book is thorough and infused with practical wisdom and a dry Vermont humor that should endear him to readers." *Publishers Weekly* "Smith . . . clearly explains everything novice and experienced gardeners need to know to grow vegetables and herbs. . . ." *Library Journal* "this book will answer all your questions as well as put you on the path to an abundant harvest. As a bonus, anecdotes and stories make this informative book fun to read." - *New York Newsday*

About the Author Edward C. Smith is the best-selling author of *The Vegetable Gardener's Bible* and *The Vegetable Gardener's Container Bible*. For more than 30 years he and his wife, Sylvia, have lived off the grid in Vermont, in a house they built on land they cleared by hand. Together, they grow more than 100 varieties of vegetables, fruits, and herbs in their 2,000 square feet of gardens and containers.