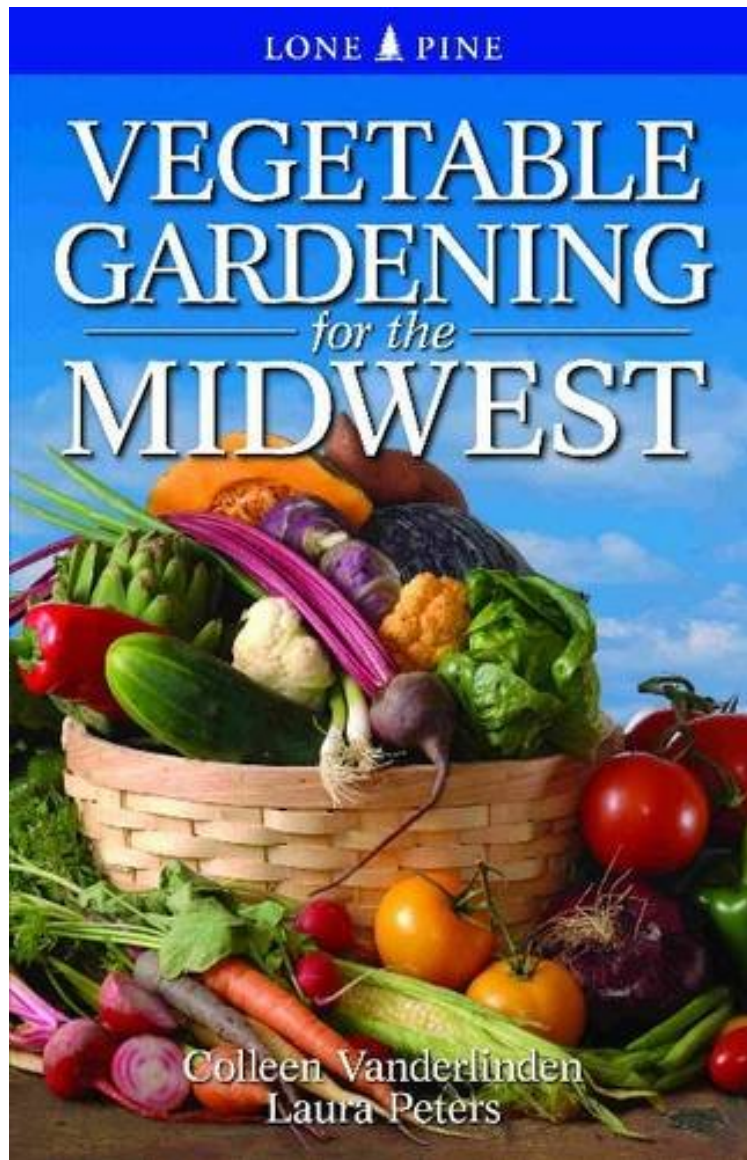


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Colleen Vanderlinden, Laura Peters : Vegetable Gardening for the Midwest before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Vegetable Gardening for the Midwest:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four Stars By Tina Gives the basic information for each veggie. The first gardening book I will look at before I plant. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Recommended by the County Extension Agent By Doc Sue Perfect for the Midwest; if you need to know more than is in this book, then you'll need to attend graduate school. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Fairly good but could use more

sectionsBy FearciIt's made well for gardening purposes; all the pages have that gloss to them with a glossed cover so even when I'm out in the garden playing with the dirt I can pick up my book and it won't get dirty. It's only vegetables. If you are wanting herbs and fruit(berries) try the Edible Gardening for the Midwest book instead. It contains sections on about 40 different vegetable types. I slightly wish they had separate sections for some that are put together, such as all beans are under one category consisting of an 8 page section for how to start, grow, and harvest them and discuss all 4 species of beans. I feel you could have separated them out a little because it does make how to work with some of them a little confusing. I do love the lovely full color pictures to help you out a little in the garden and the little companion plant section in the back.

The Midwest is an ideal place to grow a huge variety of vegetables, and there are plenty of healthful and economic benefits to having your own garden. Whether you have a traditional backyard space or several containers on a high-rise balcony, you can grow a season-long supply of tasty produce. Best-selling garden writers Colleen Vanderlinden and Laura Peters provide all you need to know to dig in: * Basics such as light, soil, exposure and frost tolerance* Almost infinite garden styles, including raised beds and containers* Preparing the garden and selecting which vegetables to grow where* Recommended varieties, including new, traditional, heirloom and unusual selections* Seasonal care, including mulching, weeding and watering* Tips throughout, including how to extend the growing season and what to do with your harvest* Organic approaches to management of pests and diseases* An appendix featuring companion plants and relationships* Helpful hardiness maps, and delicious color photos throughout.From A to Z--yummy artichokes, arugula and asparagus, through to healthy kale and peculiar kohlrabi, leeks and okra, all the way to colorful peppers, potatoes and zucchini--it's all here in this informative gardening guide.

About the AuthorCOLLEEN VANDERLINDEN writes about gardening from her home in southeast Michigan, where she maintains an ever-expanding organic vegetable and herb garden. She is the organic gardening expert for the website About.com, and she has had articles published in regional and national home and garden magazines.LAURA PETERS is a certified Master Gardener with over 30 gardening books to her credit. She has worked in almost every aspect of the horticultural industry in a career that has spanned more than 20 years. She passionately believes in organic gardening and food security, and she loves to share her knowledge with fellow gardeners and environmentalists alike.