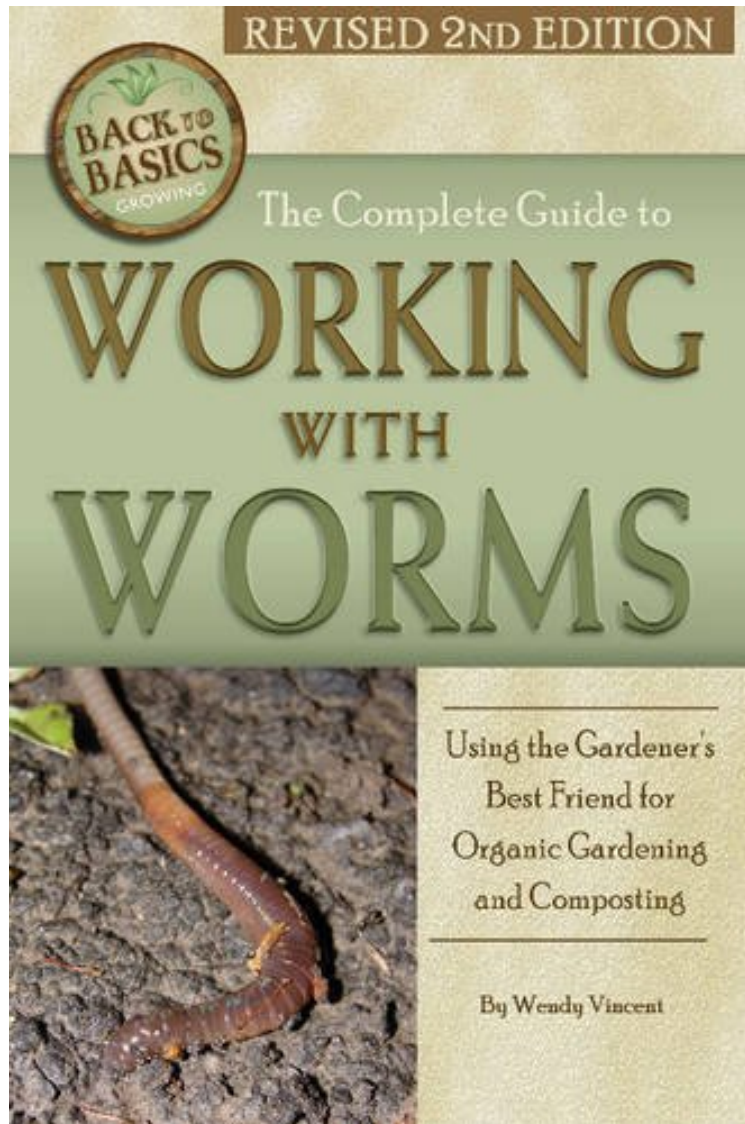


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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reports that if we composted 100 percent of our food scraps, we could prevent the equivalent of 20 million metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions each year, the equivalent of more than 3.8 million vehicles greenhouse gas emissions. Composting is one of the easiest and least expensive ways you can reduce your household waste and improve your garden, and using worms in your compost bin will provide you with the best compost available. Vermiform composting the process of using worms to create compost is one of the most eco-friendly forms of organic lawn care you can use on your vegetable garden or flowerbeds. Working with Worms: The Complete Guide to Using the Gardener's Best Friend for Organic Gardening and Composting will tell you everything you need to know to start composting with worms. You will learn what supplies you need, including what bins to purchase, what materials to include in your compost, and where you can purchase your worms. You will learn the conditions to create for your compost bin, what to feed your wigglers, and how often to harvest the castings your worms leave behind. This book will also help you with problems you may encounter while working with your squirming friends, including what to do with extra worms, how to deal with them escaping from the compost bin, how to tell if they are healthy, and what to do if they are not eating. You will learn the proper way to maintain your vermiform compost and use it in your garden after the composting cycle is complete. This practical guide will offer you solutions and suggestions to keep your garden healthy and happy by including this organic compost material. Whether you are looking for an environmentally friendly way to enrich your garden or a fun, easy project that your entire family can participate in, Working with Worms will offer you simple ways to use a gardener's best friend to make your plants prosper.Atlantic Publishing is a small, independent publishing company based in Ocala, Florida. Founded over twenty years ago in the company president's garage, Atlantic Publishing has grown to become a renowned resource for non-fiction books. Today, over 450 titles are in print covering subjects such as small business, healthy living, management, finance, careers, and real estate. Atlantic Publishing prides itself on producing award winning, high-quality manuals that give readers up-to-date, pertinent information, real-world examples, and case studies with expert advice. Every book has resources, contact information, and web sites of the products or companies discussed.

Working with worms is part of a larger series entitled the Back to basics growing series. This work indeed provides full coverage of vermicomposting as well as an examination of many of the usual issues with worms. Vincent handles the Ick factor adroitly with family activities with worms! The enthusiasm of the author, and her special involvement of her family, makes this book certainly different and personal, compared to other more sober and academic works on the topic. --Adele Kleine, volunteer, Chicago Botanic GardenAbout the AuthorWendy M. Vincent is a freelance writer with a background in corporate communications, public relations, event planning, and project management. She holds a bachelor's degree in communications with a minor in international languages and cultures as well as master's degree in liberal studies. In addition to being a regular contributor to Renaissance Magazine, she also writes for several online travel-related publications from her home in the Connecticut woods. Her other titles include an upcoming travel guide to Mystic, Conn. (Channel Lake, 2011). Descended from generations of home gardeners and farmers, Vincent has a yard abundant in perennial and vegetable gardens. Additionally, she has created a dedicated herb garden to use for cultivating healing and medicinal herbs for personal and family use. She uses her homegrown herbs in everyday cooking and to treat common ailments. Vincent has an extensive book collection on herbs and has

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