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The Naturally Beautiful Garden Southern Living  
Many gardeners today want a home landscape that nourishes and fosters wildlife. But they also want beauty, a space for the kids to play, privacy, and maybe even a vegetable patch. Sure, it's a tall order, but *The Living Landscape* shows how to do it. By combining the insights of two outstanding authors, it offers a model that anyone can follow. Inspired by its examples, you'll learn the strategies for making and maintaining a diverse, layered landscape—one that offers beauty on many levels, provides outdoor rooms and turf areas for children and pets, incorporates fragrance and edible plants, and provides cover, shelter, and sustenance for wildlife. Richly illustrated with superb photographs and informed by both a keen eye for design and an understanding of how healthy ecologies work, *The Living Landscape* will enable you to create a garden that is full of life and that fulfills both human needs and the needs of wildlife communities.

*How to Teach Nature Journaling* Chelsea Green Publishing

Expanding on the philosophy and methods of *The Laws Guide to Nature Drawing and Journaling*, John Muir Laws and Emilie Lygren have developed the first-ever comprehensive book devoted to helping educators use nature journaling as an inspiring teaching tool to engage young people with wild places. In their workshops Laws and Lygren are often asked the how-tos of teaching nature journaling: how to manage student groups in the outdoors, teach drawing skills (especially from those who profess to have none), connect journaling to educational standards, and incorporate journaling into longer lessons. This book puts together curriculum plans, advice, and in-the-field experience so that educators of all stripes can leap into journaling with their students. The approaches are designed to work in a range of ecosystems and settings, and are suitable for classroom teachers, outdoor educators, camp counselors, and homeschooling parents. Full-color illustrations and sample journal pages from notable naturalists show how to put each lesson into practice. Field-tested by over a hundred educators, this book includes dozens of activities that easily support the Common Core and the Next Generation Science Standards—and, just as important, it will show kids and mentors alike how to recognize the wonder and intrigue in their midst.

*Nature's Garden* University Press of Florida

This extensively revised and expanded edition broadens the reach and depth of the permaculture approach for urban and suburban gardeners. The text's message is that working with nature, not against it, results in more beautiful, abundant, and forgiving gardens.

*Gardening with Water Artisan Books*

Wild New Jersey brings the reader on a real-life safari through the Garden State's wildlife and natural wonders."-Tom Gilmore, President, New Jersey Audubon Society.

*A New Garden Ethic* Gibbs Smith

"With the twinned calamities of climate change and mass extinction weighing heavier and heavier on my nature-besotted soul, here were concrete, affordable actions that I could take, that anyone could take, to help our wild neighbors thrive in the built human environment. And it all starts with nothing more than a seed. *Bringing Nature Home* is a miracle: a book that summons butterflies."

—Margaret Renkl, *The Washington Post* As development and habitat destruction accelerate, there are increasing pressures on wildlife populations. In his groundbreaking book *Bringing Nature Home*, Douglas W. Tallamy reveals the unbreakable link between native plant species and native wildlife—native insects cannot, or will not, eat alien plants. When native plants disappear, the insects disappear, impoverishing the food source for birds and other animals. Luckily, there is an important and simple step we can all take to help reverse this alarming trend: everyone with access to a patch of earth can make a significant contribution toward sustaining biodiversity by simply choosing native plants. By acting on Douglas Tallamy's practical and achievable recommendations, we can all make a difference.

*The Humane Gardener* Lotus Press (WI)

In this eloquent plea for compassion and respect for all species, journalist and gardener Nancy Lawson describes why and how to welcome wildlife to our backyards. Through engaging anecdotes and inspired advice, profiles of home gardeners throughout the country, and interviews with scientists and horticulturalists, Lawson applies the broader lessons of ecology to our own outdoor spaces. Detailed chapters address planting for wildlife by choosing native species; providing habitats that shelter baby animals, as well as birds, bees, and butterflies; creating safe zones in the garden; cohabiting with creatures often regarded as pests; letting nature be your garden designer; and encouraging natural processes and evolution in the garden. *The Humane Gardener* fills a unique niche in describing simple principles for both attracting wildlife and peacefully resolving conflicts with all the creatures that share our world.

*The Kid's Guide to Exploring Nature* Shambhala Publications

Sergei Boutenko's groundbreaking field guide to the art and science of foraging and preparing wild edible plants—includes 300+ photos of 60 plants \*\*An Amazon Editors' Pick -- Best Cookbooks, Food & Wine\*\* In *Wild Edibles*, Sergei Boutenko's bestselling work on the art and science of live-food wildcrafting, readers will learn how to safely identify 60 delicious trailside weeds, herbs, fruits, and greens growing all around us. It also outlines basic rules for safe wild-food foraging and discusses poisonous plants, plant identification protocols, gathering etiquette, and conservation strategies. But the journey doesn't end there. Rooted in Boutenko's robust foraging experience, botany science, and fresh dietary perspectives, this practical companion gives hikers, backpackers, raw foodists, gardeners, chefs, foodies, DIYers, survivalists, and off-the-grid enthusiasts the necessary

tools to transform their simple harvests into safe, delicious, and nutrient-rich recipes. Special features include: 60 edible plant descriptions, most of them found worldwide 300+ color photos that make plant identification easy and safe 67 tasty, high-nutrient plant-based recipes, including green smoothies, salads and salad dressings, spreads and crackers, main courses, juices, and sweets For the wildly adventurous and playfully rebellious, *Wild Edibles* will expand your food options, providing readers with the inspiration and essential know-how to live more healthy (yet thrifty), more satisfying (yet sustainable) lives.

*Garden Notes* Phaidon Press

More than 370 edible wild plants, plus 37 poisonous lookalikes, are described here, with 400 drawings and 78 color photographs showing precisely how to recognize each species. Also included are habitat descriptions, lists of plants by season, and preparation instructions for 22 different food uses.

*Wild New Jersey* Timber Press

This is the first comprehensive firefly guide for eastern and central North America ever published. It is written for all those who want to know more about the amazing world of lightning bugs and learn the secrets hidden in the flash patterns of the 75+ species found in the eastern and central U.S. and Canada. As an independent researcher working with numerous university teams, naturalist Lynn Frierson Faust, "The Lightning Bug Lady," has spent decades tracking the behavior and researching the habitats of these fascinating creatures. Based on her twenty-five years of field work, this book is intended to increase understanding and appreciation of bioluminescent insects while igniting enthusiasm in a fun and informative way. Species accounts are coupled with historical background and literary epigraphs to engage and draw readers young and old into the world of these tiny sparklers. A chart documenting the flash patterns of the various species will aid in identification. Clear photos illustrate the insects' distinguishing physical characteristics, while habitats, seasonality, and common names are provided in clear, easy-to-understand yet scientifically accurate language. The guide will be welcomed by everyone who wants to learn more about fireflies' and glow-worms' unique traits and about their fragile niche in the ecosystem. FEATURES Over 600 color photographs Detailed accounts and anatomical diagrams of 75+ species, as well as aids in distinguishing between similar species A first-of-its-kind flash-pattern chart that folds out on heavy-weight paper • Extensive scientific details written in an understandable and engaging way Colorful, common names—Twilight Bush Baby, Shadow Ghosts, and Snappy Syncs, and more—for easy species identification based on flash patterns Tips on ideal sites and times of year for firefly watching Conservation-oriented approach

*Planting the Natural Garden* Timber Press

Choice Outstanding Academic Title Florida Book Awards, Bronze Medal for General Nonfiction Plants play a critical role in how we experience our environment. They create calming green spaces, provide oxygen for us to breathe, and nourish our senses. In *The Nature of Plants*, ecologist and nursery owner Craig Huegel demystifies the complex lives of plants and provides readers with an extensive tour into their workings. Beginning with the importance of light, water, and soil, Huegel describes the process of photosynthesis and how best to position plants to receive optimal sunlight. He explains why plants suffer from overwatering, what essential elements plants need to flourish, and what important soil organisms reside with them. Readers will understand the difference between friendly and hostile bacteria, fungi, and insects. Sections on plant structure and reproduction focus in detail on major plant organs—roots, stems, and leaves—and cover flowering, pollination, fruit development, and seed germination. Huegel even delves into the mysterious world of plant communication, exploring the messages conveyed to animals or other plants through chemical scents and hormones. With color illustrations, photographs, and real-life examples from his own gardening experiences, Huegel equips budding botanists, ecologists, and even the most novice gardeners with knowledge that will help them understand and foster plants of all types.

*Botany for children* Rizzoli Publications

The founder of Wild Food Adventures presents the definitive, fully illustrated guide to foraging and preparing wild edible greens. Beyond the confines of our well-tended vegetable gardens, there is a wide variety of fresh foods growing in our yards, neighborhoods, or local woods. All that's needed to take advantage of this wild bounty is a little knowledge and a sense of adventure. In *Edible Wild Plants*, wild foods expert John Kallas covers easy-to-identify plants commonly found across North America. The extensive information on each plant includes a full pictorial guide, recipes, and more. This volume covers four types of wild greens: Foundation Greens: wild spinach, chickweed, mallow, and purslane Tart Greens: curlydock, sheep sorrel, and wood sorrel Pungent Greens: wild mustard, wintercress, garlic mustard, and shepherd's purse Bitter Greens: dandelion, cat's ear, sow thistle, and nipplewort

*Fylling's Illustrated Guide to Nature in Your Neighborhood* Chelsea Green Publishing

An all-new revised and updated edition, *The New Southern Living Garden Book* is THE definitive source on gardening from the brand Southern gardeners have turned to for nearly 50 years.

Completely redesigned and updated for the first time in 10 years, the new edition features over 1,700 beautiful color photographs and over 7,000 featured plants. Enhanced features include a monthly garden checklist, a Q&A section to tackle everyday problems, and garden design solutions, plus industry experts provide the hottest trends and tips combined with old-fashioned wisdom. From the new homeowner just starting out in gardening to the Master Class gardener, this book will be an essential resource.

*The New Southern Living Garden Book* University of Georgia Press

The acclaimed author and science illustrator presents an engaging and enlightening guide to the bizarre and surprising wildlife all around us. In the same lighthearted yet scientifically accurate style of *Fylling's Illustrated Guide to Pacific Coast Tide Pools*, this compact guidebook reveals the splendidly strange animals and plants just outside your door. Marni Fylling's full-color illustrations make species identification a snap, and concise descriptions include fascinating (and sometimes grotesque) factoids about frequently encountered plants, insects, arachnids, birds, and mammals. With *Fylling's* guidance, the everyday becomes extraordinary: Pigeons share nest-building and egg-sitting duties, and mate for life—with occasional dalliances; squirrel teeth grow about six inches per year; spiders owe their characteristic creep to their "hydraulic" legs; poison oak and poison ivy's itch-inducing oil is also found in pistachios, cashews, and mangoes; and much, much more.

*A Way to Garden* Bloomsbury Publishing USA

A stunning exploration of one of the hottest trends in garden design, nature-based planting with an eco-aware approach, featuring the work of leading designers such as Sean Hogan, Piet Oudolf, and Dan Pearson Forget the mild, manicured gardens of the past: planting today is undergoing a revolution in taste and aesthetics. This is the first comprehensive overview of a new planting approach that is wild and natural by nature, reflecting the global turn towards sustainability and the current zeitgeist in garden design. Featuring over 40 gardens - from a perennial meadow in East Sussex, England to a private, drought-resistant garden in

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Australia - each garden in this stunning book is brought to life with beautiful photography and insightful text.

The Perelandra Garden Workbook Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Learn how to create an edible forest garden—perfect for gardeners and growers at any scale! Includes over 100 cold-hardy berry bushes, fruit and nut trees, perennial vegetables, herbs, edible flowers, mushrooms, and more. When market gardener Dani Baker attended a permaculture workshop at her local Cooperative Extension office in upstate New York, she was inspired by its message of working with nature to create a thriving edible garden ecosystem. She immediately launched a new experiment she dubbed the “ Enchanted Edible Forest. ” In The Home-Scale Forest Garden, Baker shares what she learned as she became a forest gardener, providing a practical, in-depth guide to creating a beautiful, bountiful edible landscape at any scale—from a few dozen square feet to an acre or more. Baker provides information on planning, planting, and maintaining a resilient forest garden ecosystem, including:

- Using permaculture principles
- Observing and mapping your space
- Building planting beds, including hügelkultur mounds
- Coping with saturated soil
- Matching perennial edible plants to the right growing conditions
- Grouping plants in diverse layers that attract and shelter beneficial insects and birds
- Creating microclimates to increase the range of plants you can grow
- Pruning, propagating, managing pests, and more
- Expending less energy for greater reward

The Home-Scale Forest Garden is complete with descriptions of over 100 food-bearing and multifunctional plants for every layer of a forest garden: overstory and understory trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants, groundcovers, vines, and mushrooms, too. The book includes over 200 photographs taken over 10 years of forest development, along with illustrations of a garden layout and special plant groupings for a range of conditions, including hot, dry sites and shady, moist sites. Throughout, Baker candidly shares both her mistakes and her successes to help readers better understand the dynamics of a forest garden as it grows and changes over time. From her Asian Pear Adventure and Tamarack Travesty to her discoveries of unique ways to rescue and transplant tree seedlings, readers will appreciate the practical advice as she recounts lessons learned from her grand edible gardening experiment. This is the perfect guide for gardeners of all experience levels who want to work with nature ’ s model and expand the range of food crops they grow as they embark on their own forest garden adventure.

Terrain Foragers Harvest Press

An award-winning garden writer shares her secrets and wisdom in a tour of her beautiful personal garden, illustrated in more than 150 full-color breathtaking photographs and interspersed with tips, advice, and essential information. 20,000 first printing.

Incredible Wild Edibles HarperCollins

In a time of climate change and mass extinction, how we garden matters more than ever: “ An outstanding and deeply passionate book. ” —Marc Bekoff, author of The Emotional Lives of Animals Plenty of books tell home gardeners and professional landscape designers how to garden sustainably, what plants to use, and what resources to explore. Yet few examine why our urban wildlife gardens matter so much—not just for ourselves, but for the larger human and animal communities. Our landscapes push aside wildlife and in turn diminish our genetically programmed love for wildness. How can we get ourselves back into balance through gardens, to speak life’s language and learn from other species? Benjamin Vogt addresses why we need a new garden ethic, and why we urgently need wildness in our daily lives—lives sequestered in buildings surrounded by monocultures of lawn and concrete that significantly harm our physical and mental health. He examines the psychological issues around climate change and mass extinction as a way to understand how we are short-circuiting our response to global crises, especially by not growing native plants in our gardens. Simply put, environmentalism is not political; it’s social justice for all species marginalized today and for those facing extinction tomorrow. By thinking deeply and honestly about our built landscapes, we can create a compassionate activism that connects us more profoundly to nature and to one another.

GrowVeg Timber Press

Encourages young readers to explore nature and offers information on plants, animals, and careers in nature work.

Wild Your Garden Random House (NY)

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Acorn Pancakes, Dandelion Salad, and 38 Other Wild Recipes Timber Press

Incredible Wild Edibles is an invitation to enjoy the best food on Earth. This guide provides complete information on 36 traditional fruits, nuts, herbs, and vegetables that have nearly disappeared from our modern diets. Rediscover these wholesome, super-nutritious, gourmet foods for free! In a humorous but authoritative style, the author tells how to identify these plants with confidence, where and when to find them, what parts to use, and how to prepare them for the table. He gives practical advice on harvesting and discusses safe and responsible foraging practices. Contains index, bibliography, glossary, range maps, foraging calendar, and more than 350 color photos. For all experience levels, from novice to expert.