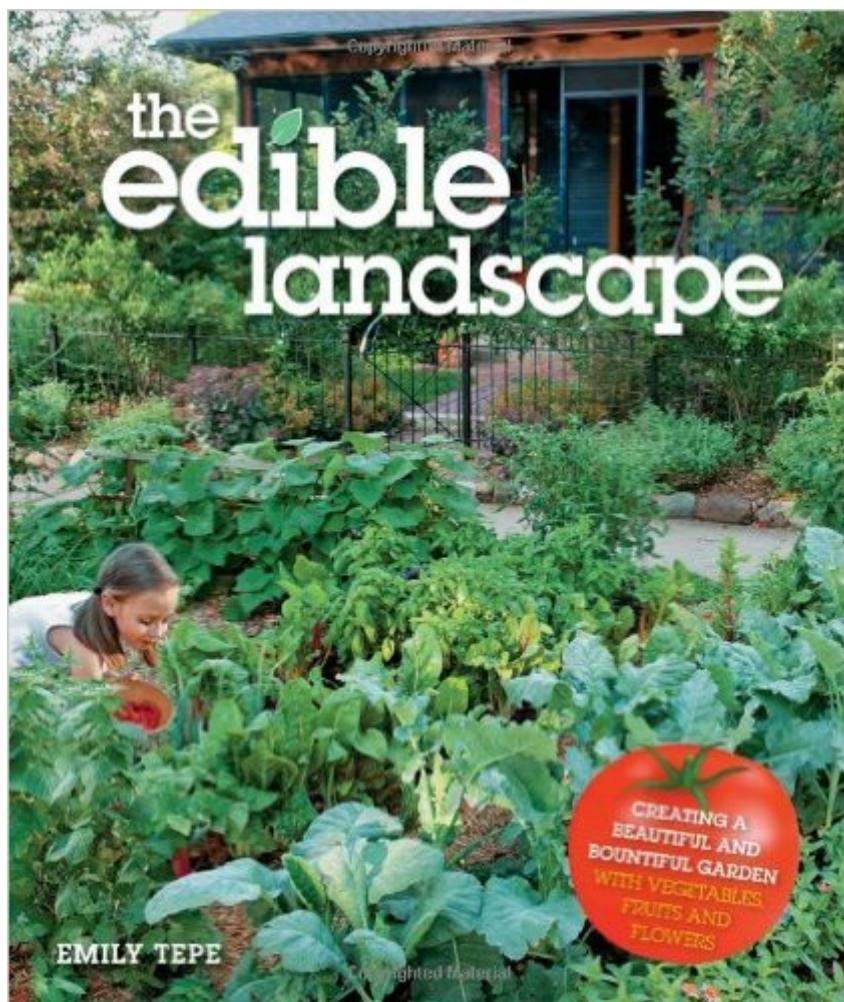


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# The Edible Landscape: Creating A Beautiful And Bountiful Garden With Vegetables, Fruits And Flowers



## Synopsis

As the fresh food revolution sweeps the nation, more and more people are seeking out delicious offerings from local growers. We have had our fill of tasteless, woody tomatoes from the far reaches of the globe and have begun tasting againâ "thanks to farmersâ™ markets and co-opsâ "the real flavors we remember from childhood. Inspired by these events, people have started growing food in the most unlikely places, including rooftops, abandoned parking lots, and tiny balconies and backyards on average city streets. Individuals and families are taking up the trowel and discovering that gardening can be fun, fulfilling, and, ultimately, delicious. Far from sacrificing their ornamental flowers, creative gardeners can discover the joy of growing food in beautiful, thoughtful gardens overflowing with both color and flavor. Creating an attractive and productive garden in your small space might seem impossible, but throughout this book, youâ™ll see examples of some wonderful things that can be done, from interesting plant combinations to unique structures and planting beds. If you can banish the thought that vegetables and fruits must be grown in rows and open up to the idea that a tomato plant can be a striking addition to your landscape plan, *The Edible Landscape* will help you explore some ideas for transforming your yard into a feast for both the eyes and the table.

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## Customer Reviews

Most edible landscaping books assume you live in a warm Zone 6 or 9 climate in California where citrus and persimmons grow like weeds. Unfortunately for me, I live in Minnesota [Zone 4] and unless I want to bring everything inside every winter, most of those books are pretty worthless,

except for making me sad that i ever moved from California. At any rate, I believe Emily Tepe works for the University of Minnesota and is quite familiar with the challenges of our climate extremes here. While they still haven't developed a hardy citrus tree to make my garden complete, at least she has other ideas like blueberries, currants, gooseberries mixed in with cabbage, collard greens, and herbs and flowers. The book also includes pretty landscape architect-type garden plans for different locations (patios, containers/apartments, and suburban yards). I 100% recommend this book and her website Artichokes & Zinnias for folks looking to start incorporating edible plants into their garden designs.

THE book to have on gardening today! I purchased this book for my wife for her birthday - a woman with a true green thumb, and we found Ms. tepe's work to be a wonderfully refreshing and insightful tome that has truly changed our way of thinking about our gardens. Succinct and to the point, the author provides many thoughtful and implementable tips on improving your garden's design, aesthetics and overall health and yield. I highly recommend this book to all serious gardeners.

Someone has finally inspired us to make some changes in our shrubs & annuals yard. Emily Tepe's enthusiasm for integrating fruit, vegetable and herb plants into home landscape has captured our attention. Her "Edible Landscape" is a beautiful book filled with ideas we're eager to try. We're looking forward to the growing season in our northerly climate and the fresh interest these plants will add to our yard, and the fresh food to our table.

First the negatives...Now the positives: As a reluctant gardner, the idea of landscaping is daunting, let alone growing something potentially edible. But, this book makes both seem easy. The ideas in this book are clearly and engagingly described and nicely illustrated. Ms. Tepe's descriptions make me feel like creating an edible landscape is not only something that a beginner can handle, but also a heck of a lot of fun. All of this comes in a beautifully done, well written package.

I've often wondered why you couldn't use food plants for landscaping (especially in areas where the town outlaws front yard gardens), so I was excited to read this book. Not only is it possible, it can look gorgeous and actually help reduce pests and encourage biodiversity...win/win/win! This spring I'm making a small attempt at making my edibles look pretty by expanding a perennial bed and incorporating fruits and veggies. I'm also trying a three sisters garden and have the usual straight rows. I'm looking forward to seeing how everything does.

I LOVE the book! This is a very encouraging resource for any gardener. The author has wonderful ideas for making gardens pleasing to both the eye and the palate. Beautiful photos and drawings. This is one of the first books I pull out when winter starts getting too long - and it's kept close by all summer. It reads like a conversation with a good friend.

As folks, like myself, turn more to producing what they eat themselves, I have found that this book is a fantastic guide to creating a functional garden that doubles as an attractive landscape. Why sacrifice style for functionality? With amazing photos and explanations, The Edible Landscape will allow you to have your Mizuna Mustard and enjoy its beauty too!

I got this book as a gift, and I've already got it for a couple of friends who are new to gardening edibles. What I love about this book is how clear and to the point it is. Also, lots of photos and a ton of information about each plant. I find this to be a very useful guide. I highly recommend it!

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