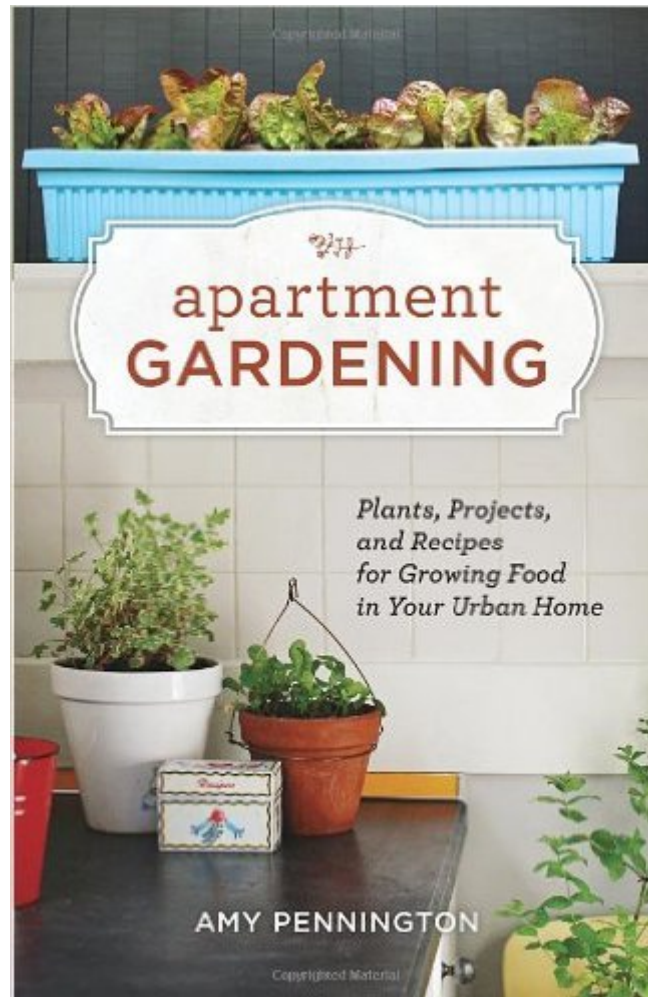


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# Apartment Gardening: Plants, Projects, And Recipes For Growing Food In Your Urban Home



## Synopsis

Forget the 100-mile eat-local diet; try the 300-square-foot-diet &#8212; grow squash on the windowsill, flowers in the planter box, or corn in a parking strip. Apartment Gardening details how to start a garden in the heart of the city. From building a window box to planting seeds in jars on the counter, every space is plantable, and this book reveals that the DIY future is now by providing hands-on, accessible advice. Amy Pennington's friendly voice paired with Kate Bingham-Burt's crafty illustrations make greener living an accessible reality, even if readers have only a few hundred square feet and two windowsills. Save money by planting the same things available at the grocery store, and create an eccentric garden right in the heart of any living space.

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## Customer Reviews

I am a novice just starting out with my window garden. So I have been looking around for a good reference guide on container gardening. I live in an apartment in the northeast. Although I think the author attempted to cover all bases this book was geared towards the terrace/patio in the pacific northwest. The Hip Girl's Guide to Homemaking Decorating, Dining and the Gratifying Pleasures of self-Sufficiency--on a Budget!by Kate Payne,she had a very helpful chapter on apartment gardening in the northeast.So here are the cons:Illustrations of the more complicated ideas would have been helpful. e.g., worming migration in the bin. Almost half the book was recipes. Needed more gardening. Concentrated on Terrace and Patio gardening not specifically apartment gardening. Geared towards the northwest. Author's wording didn't seem to corresponding to current gardening

vernacular, i.e. full sun versus shade which I believe she meant direct light vs. indirect, no mention of zones, etc. I think it is a mistake to leave out some of the more common herbs, e.g., Rosemary: mentioned as a perennial but then nothing about growing it. Same with basil and sage. Even a note saying the following herbs can be treated the same way would have been helpful, e.g. Sage and basil can be treated the same as lemon verbena as far as watering, etc. (this is not true just a fictitious example) PROS: I thought the recipes were very helpful. It was a great idea to demonstrate the produce in actual recipes. A good introduction to worming. (enough to know that it will probably be too overwhelming for me to attempt) Some very handy tips on fertilizer, composting, a pretty detailed plan for getting started (although this could not have been detailed enough for me), sustaining your garden, etc.

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