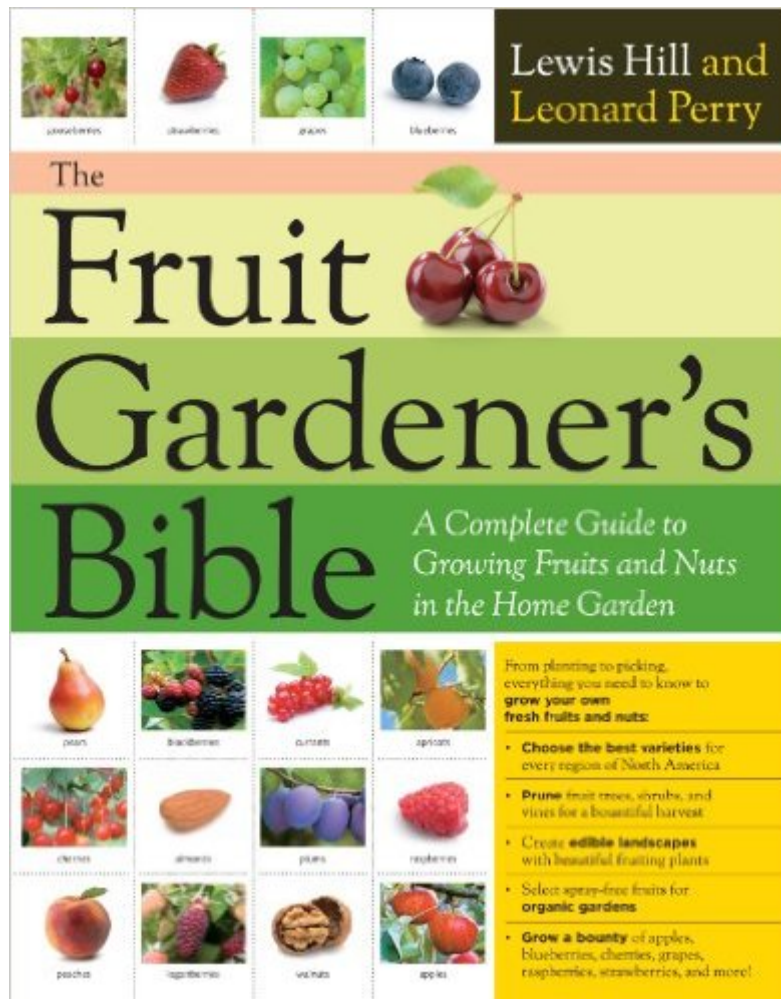


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The Fruit Gardener's Bible: A Complete Guide To Growing Fruits And Nuts In The Home Garden



Synopsis

Enjoy bushels of crispy apples and baskets of juicy blueberries from your own backyard. Authors Lewis Hill and Leonard Perry provide everything you need to know to successfully grow delicious organic fruit at home, from choosing the best varieties for your area to planting, pruning, and harvesting a bountiful crop. With tips on cultivating strawberries, raspberries, grapes, pears, peaches, and more, this essential reference guide will inspire year after year of abundantly fruitful gardening.

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Customer Reviews

I bought this book to upgrade from Fruit and Berries for the Home Garden and got exactly what I was hoping for. I also have the Vegetable Gardener's Bible and was hoping that this book would be just as great for fruit. The book has a lot of color pictures and detailed information on each type of fruit. It's broken down into 4 sections: Getting Started, Berries, Tree Fruits and Nuts and Growing Healthy Fruit. There are large sections on each fruit that tell about different varieties and where they grow best, how to plant and care for the fruit, dealing with pest and disease and harvesting. The last section also contains abundant information on soil, pruning and dealing with pest and disease. I would highly recommend this book to anyone looking for a great source of information on all types of fruits.

This book does not compare to the depth of information contained within Designing and Maintaining

Your Edible Landscape by Kourik or The Apple Grower by Phillips. The Fruit Gardener's Bible is a good overview, but does not contain the depth to get the reader beyond the beginner stage.


Good, but with a bit of a focus on northern climates that I am not interested in, living in California.

I was looking for more specific information on growing fruit trees and didn't find it here. It was a very good book and I wish I would have bought it first but I will keep it for my collection. Nice easy read and packed full of everything a novice gardener needs to know. You can't go wrong with this book.

So far, it has answered all my questions about all my fruit trees...and I planted 2 dozen this year! I have sweet and sour cherry, 6 different varieties of apples, 4 different varieties of peaches, a nectarine, & 3 different plums. I now know why some of my cherries died, and how to save the rest. Being new to growing an orchard, this book has become invaluable. It is well worth the price.

This book is very nicely printed with color photos, but I found it very disappointing that citrus fruits were not included in the trees. We moved into a home with 5 types of fruit trees I needed to learn about, and only 1 of our 5 fruit trees are included in this book. If you are looking for citrus fruit care, you will not find it here. The banana tree is also not included.

I decided to turn the small unused field beside our house into an Orchard, with Apples, Cherries, Peaches, Apricots, and a Grape Arbor. This book has already given me valuable insights, and will continue to be an asset in the coming years.

I would have called this book the "Illustrated Quick Reference" rather than the "Bible." As several other reviewers have pointed out, there are several works with more in-depth information. I think this is a great guide for the novice, and the ample photographs present concepts more clearly than text alone can accomplish. All in all, a great addition to the small farm library! 

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