

Resources

Local gardening resources for education, information, plants, and events:

Clark County Food and Farm website

<http://clarkfoodfarm.blogspot.com/2009/01/washougal-community-garden.html>

(local food and farm site with information, classes, events, and products)

The Urban Farm School

P. O. Box 393(?)

Ridgefield, WA 98642

Kendra Pearce (360) 852-3728

Toree Hiebert (360) 907-5814

<http://urbanfarmschool.wordpress.com/about-urban-farm-school/>

(teaching people how to farm their urban/suburban land)

Vancouver Food Network

P.O. Box 249

Vancouver, WA 98666

(360) 694-3663

<http://VancouverFood.Net>

(local food and gardening information, presentations, classes, and events, Consumer Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm information)

Washington State University (WSU) Extension

Center for Agriculture and Science Environmental Education (CASEE) Center

11104 NE 149th Street

Brush Prairie, WA 98606

360-397-6060 x7718

gordonc@wsu.edu

<http://clark.wsu.edu/volunteer/mg/plantClinic.html>

WSU's home page for gardening info in Clark County

<http://gardening.wsu.edu/>

WSU's master gardener website with moderated forum for gardening discussions

Clark County Public Works

Naturally Beautiful Backyards/ Master Composter and Recycler Program

1300 Franklin Street

Vancouver, WA 98660

(360) 397-6118

<http://www.co.clark.wa.us/recycle/natural/index.html>

Naturally Beautiful Backyards program

<http://www.clark.wa.gov/recycle/yard/mastercomposter.html>

Master Composter and Recycler program

<http://www.clark.wa.gov/recycle/A-Z/Resources/CSEEC.html>

Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center

Find a Consumer Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm near you - www.swwa-csafarms.com
(CSAs sell shares to people who then receive a weekly allotment of fresh produce through the growing season)

Find a farm stand near you - http://smallfarms.wsu.edu/farms/locate_search.asp

Find a local farmers' market - <http://www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/living/eating.html>

Battle Ground Farmers' Market (Brenda Millar Stanton, Market Coordinator)

SE Grace Avenue and SE Rasmussen Blvd., Battle Ground

<http://battlegroundfarmersmarket.com>

www.battlegroundfarmersmarket.org

(360) 576-9767

email is battlegroundfma@yahoo.com

Hours are 9-3 every Saturday through October 17th.

Manor Farmers' Market

Evangelical Christian Church, 179th Street and 72nd Avenue, Battle Ground

<http://www.manorec.com>

Camas Farmers' Market

5th Avenue between NE Birch and Cedar, Camas

<http://camasfarmersmarket.com>

Vancouver Farmers' Market

Esther Short Park, corner of Esther and 8th Streets, Vancouver

<http://vancouverfarmersmarket.com/index.html>

Washougal Farmers' Market

Reflection Plaza Main and Pendleton Way, Washougal

<http://washougalfarmersmarket.com>

Elementary School Gardens

Camas Roots Garden
Growing Food, Minds, and Community
www.camasroots.org

HomeLink School Gardens

High School Horticulture programs:

Columbia River High School
800 NW 99th Street, 98665

Fort Vancouver High School
5700 East 18th Street, 98661

Hudson's Bay High School
1601 East McLoughlin Blvd., 98663

Lewis & Clark High School
2901 General Anderson Avenue, 98661

Skyview High School
1300 NW 139th Street, 98685

General gardening information websites

http://depts.washington.edu/hortlib/resources/resource_search.php?term=540

(UW's Botanical Gardens info web site; gardening answers knowledge base and book lists)

<http://www.thegardenhelper.com/vegetables.html>

(free internet guides to gardening)

<http://www.vegetable-gardening-basics.com/>

(extensive information on vegetable gardening)

<http://www.helpfulgardener.com/vegetable/2003/vegetable.html>

(how to plan and grow a vegetable garden; links to vegetable forum)

<http://www.squarefootgardening.com/>

(Official Square Foot Gardening website)

<http://www.heirloomseeds.com/>

(comprehensive gardening information)

<http://growingtaste.com/>

(comprehensive home vegetable gardening info)

<http://www.humeseeds.com/frost1.htm#WA>

(frost dates for Washington, Oregon, and Alaska)

<http://extension.missouri.edu/xplor/agguides/hort/g06203.htm>

(common diseases in the home garden)

<http://w3.aces.uiuc.edu/NRES/extension/factsheets/vc-11/VC-11.html>

(harvesting vegetables)

<http://growingtaste.com/storage.shtml>

(seed saving info)

http://www.seedsave.org/issi/issi_904.html

(seed saving info)

http://www.patriotfood.com/Seed_Saving.html

(seed saving info)

Book List

Check with Library for these and other helpful gardening books.

All New Square Foot Gardening: Growing More in Less Space

by Mel Bartholomew

This is the second edition of Mel's 1982 best selling gardening book. It gives the basics, instructions, and guidance for gardening by the square foot method plus planting information and multiple useful gardening tables.

The New Self-Sufficient Gardener

by John Seymour

This is *the* definitive book on the "common-sensical" way to do things told in a homey, conversational way.

The Vegetable Garden

by M. M. Vilmorin-Andrieux

This is a modern reprint of a wonderful book—lots of information of the cultivars of vegetables, including many you've never even heard of--first published in 1885 but still a valuable resource. Out of print, search for used.

The Sustainable Vegetable Garden: A Backyard Guide to Healthy Soil and Higher Yields

by John Jeavons and Carol Cox

100 Heirloom Tomatoes for the American Garden

by Dr. Carolyn J. Male

She is the doyenne of heirloom-tomato experts.

The Heirloom Tomato

by Amy Goldman

Another winner to follow her heirloom melons success..

Four-Season Harvest: Organic Vegetables from Your Home Garden All Year Long

by Eliot Coleman

Growing veggies through the winter (and summer) in Maine.

Seed to Seed: Seed Saving and Growing Techniques for Vegetable Gardeners

by Suzanne Ashworth

This is the definitive seed-saving and seed-starting manual--the one far and away most often recommended by seed houses.

Taylor's Guide to Vegetables and Herbs

by Norman Taylor *et al*

This "pocket guide" is extraordinarily valuable because of its wonderful series of photographs of each vegetable and herb described; but the concise yet complete entries themselves are also quite useful in a summary way. (Out of print)

Guide to Heirloom Vegetables

by Benjamin Watson

Like the item above, except, of course, focused on "heirloom" varieties.

Herbs, Spices, and Flavorings

by Tom Stobart

This is an indispensable book to anyone interested in cooking with or in growing food flavorings.

The Big Book of Herbs

By Tom DeBaggio and Dr. Arthur Tucker

A collaboration between an long-time recognized expert herb grower and one of the nation's foremost botanical experts on herbs, this book clarifies the muddy mess of modern herb classification and provides a wealth of detail on growing herbs.

Carrots Love Tomatoes

by Louise Riotte

The most thorough guide available to "companion planting"--the idea that certain plants very much help or hinder the growth of certain other plants when the two are planted close together. No positive science that we know of, but a principle widely believed in by many wise, veteran gardeners.

Rodale's All-New Encyclopedia of Organic Gardening

by Marshall Bradley, Barbara W. Ellis (Editor)

It really is what its title says: an encyclopedia. No one article exhausts the possibilities of its subject, but it's sort of the *Joy of Cooking* of gardening--*whatever* you want to know about, there's at least *some* useful information in it.

The Backyard Berry Book

by Stella Otto

Lots of handy, practical advice on how to grow berry plants of all sorts in your back yard; it covers quite a number of berry types, with some advice on cultivar selection.

The Backyard Orchardist

by Stella Otto

Lots of handy, practical advice on how to grow fruit trees of all sorts in your back yard; it covers quite a number of types, with some advice on cultivar selection.

Let It Rot!

by Stu Campbell

"The Gardener's Guide to Composting"--and that is pretty much what it is, a sound, basic handbook on this subject of vital importance to every serious home vegetable gardener.

Saving Seeds: The Gardener's Guide to Growing & Storing Vegetable & Flower Seeds
by *Marc Rogers, Ben Watson* (Editor), *Polly Alexander* (Illustrator)

The Big Book of Preserving the Harvest

Potential Grant Sources/Opportunities

Gardening projects are often funded by grants, individually or collaboratively with partners. Below are sites for potential funding sources.

<http://clark.wsu.edu/volunteer/mg/foundation.html>

WSU Master Gardener Foundation

<http://www.whf.org/Grants/HSINGrants.aspx>

Washington Health Foundation—currently grants for rural areas only

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/OHP/community-grants.htm>

DOH/ Office of Health Promotion community block grants

<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/grants/Pages/search.aspx>

Dedicated to the idea that all people should have healthy, productive lives

<http://attra.ncat.org/guide/index.html>

USDA Building Better Rural Places/funding grants that focus on nutrition and health

<http://www.rwjf.org/grants/>

Robert Wood Johnson foundation focuses on health disparities and obesity prevention

<http://wkkf.org>

W. K. Kellogg foundation focuses on promoting health, happiness, and well-being of children around the world.

<http://www.aecf.org/AboutUs/GrantInformation.aspx>

Annie E. Casey Foundation focuses on meeting the needs of today's vulnerable children and families through grants to help states, cities and neighborhoods create innovative, cost-effective responses to those needs.