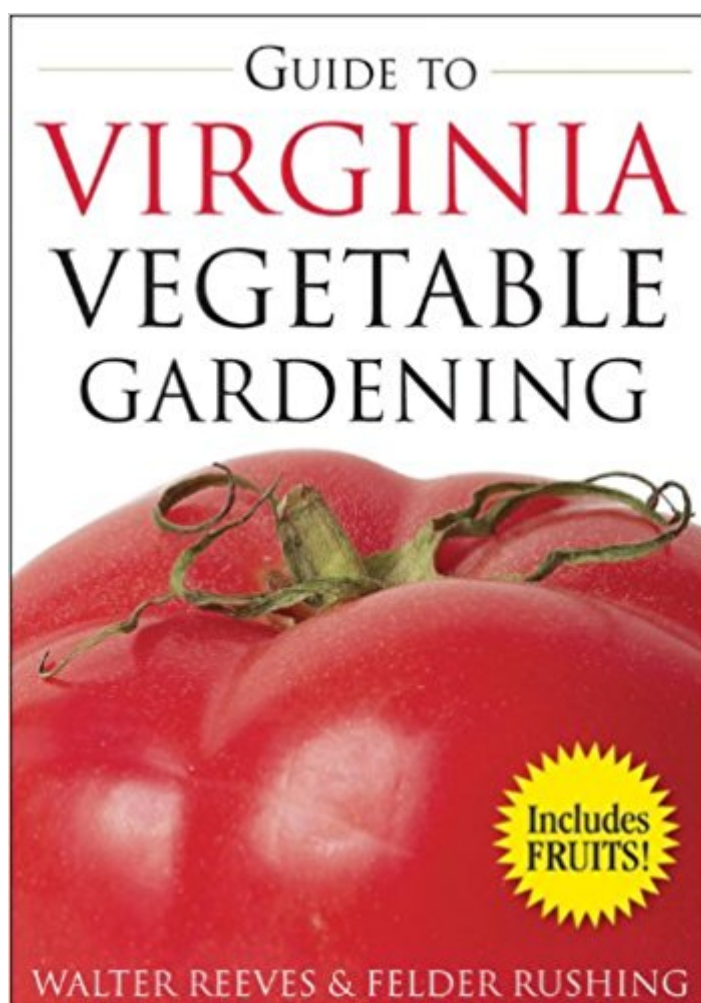




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To repeat the previous review, this book is lacking specific information on Virginia gardening. For example, under cilantro, there is a paragraph titled when to plant. Sounds helpful, right? but no - it only says plant in early spring after the worst of the freezing weather has passed. So what, March or maybe April or maybe May? There's lot of general gardening stuff, pruning and support structures, testing your soil, and such. But none of it is tailored for Virginia. There are lists of varieties, but they only have one word comments. No discussion of humidity tolerance. Of the hundreds of books I buy, this is the first I am going to return in many years.

This is the first reference I've been able to find on Central Virginia gardening--what a relief! I hope that it's followed up by a more detailed book that addresses soils, the many microclimates we have, and explores plant varieties in more detail.

THIS BOOK IS NOT A VIRGINIA SPECIFIC REFERENCE WORK ON VEGETABLE GARDENING!!!a cursory skimming of the text reveals that this is a book about "southern gardening", which has been bogusly labeled by the publisher as a "virginia" oriented work. there are

seven pages of the book that are virginia specific- mostly monochromatic zone hardiness and average rainfall maps, with poorly distinguished shading. there is no significant text dedicated to the commonwealth, as the rest of it is completely generalized, and under different covers could be similarly sold as a "guide to georgia gardening", or, a "guide to mississippi gardening".indeed, the bios on the coauthors reveal them to be longstanding residents of those two states. these same synopses fail to indicate that either has ever been a resident of, or a gardener in virginia.this is not necessarily a bad gardening book, but to title it a "virginia" gardening book is an unabashed grift.there is nothing new in this book- between your seed catalogs, and your county or state cooperative extension, you can get way more information, with finer geographical and conditional specificity than this book offers, without paying any premium for the slick paper this thing is printed on.THE POINT IS:do not buy this book.buy books by people who espouse general gardening theory in whatever gardening idiom you find reasonable.when you want info more particular to your locale, check out your state, county, or municipal extension service.

This book is written by two gardeners - one from Mississippi and one from Georgia. Couldn't the publisher, Cool Springs Press in Tennessee, have found anyone from Virginia to write about gardening in our state? The book could have been so much better. There are no color photos, and only generic advice. Don't waste your time.

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