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Small-Scale No-Till Gardening Basics: The Real Dirt On Cultivating Crops, Compost, And A Healthier Home (The Ultimate Guide To Soil Book 2)



Synopsis

Grow twice the fruits and vegetables in half the space on the farm, in the backyard, or even in your window! Have you noticed the extraordinary flavors and yields emanating from even a small garden when the soil is just right? If you've ever been envious of your neighbor's dirt or just curious about homesteading, then *The Ultimate Guide to Soil* is the perfect fit for you. This second volume in the series walks new and experienced gardeners through turning a good garden into a great garden using no-till techniques. Learn to create a vegetable plot from scratch without heavy machinery. Deal with common soil problems like waterlogging, excessive drainage, compaction, and urban subsoil. Then take your skill set to the next level with labor-saving techniques like solarization and spot kill mulches. Finally, the last chapter in this ebook expands your reach beyond the traditional garden and into containers and aquaponics. With an emphasis on simple techniques suitable for the backyard gardener, *The Ultimate Guide to Soil* gives you the real dirt on good soil. Maybe next year your neighbor will be envious of you!

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Customer Reviews

I was so excited to read this new book by Anna Hess. I have all her other books, and was looking forward to adding this to my collection. I was not disappointed!!! Ms. Hess breaks down an often complex, and sometimes boring, subject and makes it easy to understand and fun to read. I am really looking forward to trying the solarization technique on page 15... as an experienced gardener (I have a 40 acre organic farm) I thought I had tried everything. Apparently not!! That is one of the reasons I look forward to Ms. Hess' books - they are full of ideas that are tried and true, as well as new and innovative. I also really enjoy the fact she brings you into her world, and talks about what has worked for her or not - and also delves into why something might not go according to plan. At once honest and upbeat, this is a must read for all you gardeners out there!!!

This was an excellent way to become introduced to no-till gardening. The photos are helpful and the author comes across as experienced when compared to other authors on the subject. I gave the book 4 out of 5 stars for the few minor typos and because I would have liked to see a list and photos of the basic no-till, must have tools you should buy to get started.

Anna Hess has a great writing style, making you feel like you are a visitor to her homestead. She shares great gardening advice honed through her own experiences and experiments. I strongly recommend this book (and anything else Anna writes).

I loved this book. So much information not commonly available.

Educating those who want a better way to care for the soil so it can do its part to feed us.

No-Till has been around for some time now, and the benefits of this method of growing are very evident to anyone who has tried it. Aside from the fact that it's easier on your back (once you have it begun and in place), your soil will thank you. This is one of the very very few occasions where we can replace the soil nutrients that we're using - and do it pretty much simultaneously! Somewhat like having a bank account that automatically refills itself. Judging by the number of magazine and newspaper articles I see on the subject, there is once again rising interest. So it's a great time to publish this volume. It's easy to read and understand, and best of all, easy to implement out in your garden. The author has a real gift in being able to express what can be complex matters in very easy-to-read sentences. Go get it!

Great book.

Excellent. Useful, practical, great to keep.

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