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The New Horse-Powered Farm Stephen Leslie 2013 The New Horse-Powered Farm is the first book of its kind, offering wisdom and techniques for using horse power on the small farm or homestead. It sets the stage for incorporating draft power on the farm by presenting necessary information for experienced and novice teamsters alike, including getting started with workhorses; the merits of different draft breeds; various training systems for the

horse and teamster; haying with horses, seeding crops, and raising small grains; in-depth coverage of tools and systems; and managing a woodlot, farm economics, education, agritourism, and more. It's a must-have resource for any farmer, homesteader, or teamster seeking to work with draft power in a closed-loop farming system.

The Organic Farmer's Business Handbook Richard Wiswall 2009 Publisher's description.

Successful Small-scale Farming Karl Schwenke 1991-01 Instructs the beginning farmer in evaluating and preserving the soil, acquiring and maintaining machinery, and raising a successful crop through sound farming practices

Restoring Heritage Grains Eli Rogosa 2016 Including recipes for baking with Einkorn Wheat is the most widely grown crop on our planet, yet industrial breeders have transformed this ancient staff of life into a commodity of yield and profit--witness the increase in gluten intolerance and 'wheat belly'. Modern wheat depends on synthetic fertilizer and herbicides that damage our health, land, water, and environment. Fortunately, heritage 'landrace' wheats that evolved over millennia in the organic fields of traditional farms do not need bio-chemical intervention to yield bountifully, are gluten-safe, have rich flavor and high nutrition. Yet the robust, majestic wheats that nourished our ancestors are on the verge of extinction. In Restoring Heritage Grains, author Eli Rogosa of the Heritage Grain Conservancy, invites readers to restore forgotten wheats such as delicious gluten-safe einkorn that nourished the first Neolithic farmers, emmer--the grain of ancient Israel, Egypt, and Rome that is perfect for pasta and flatbreads, rare durumms that are drought-tolerant and high in protein, and many more little known wheat species, each of which have a lineage intertwined with the human species and that taste better than any modern wheat. Restoring Heritage Grains combines the history of grain growing and society, in-depth practical advice on landrace wheat husbandry, wheat folk traditions and mythology, and guidelines for the Neolithic diet with traditional recipes for rustic bread, pastry and beer. Discover the ancient grains that may be one of the best solutions to hunger today, and provide resilience for our future.

Farms with a Future Rebecca Thistlethwaite 2013-01-10 What makes a farm sustainable and successful? And what special qualities and skills are needed for someone to become a successful farmer? Rebecca Thistlethwaite addresses these and other crucial questions in this uniquely important book, which is a must-read for anyone who aspires to get into farming, or who wants to make their farm business more dynamic, profitable, and, above all, sustainable. Over an entire year, the author and her husband-experienced farmers themselves-took a sabbatical

and traveled the length and breadth of the United States to live and work alongside some of the nation's most innovative farmers. Along the way they learned about best practices, and a whole lot about what doesn't work. Farms with a Future shares this collective wisdom in an inspirational yet practical manner; it will help beginners avoid many of the common mistakes that first-time farmers make. Just as importantly, it discusses positive ideas that can help make any farm enterprise vibrant and financially profitable. Profiles of more than a dozen representative farms help round out the invaluable information and encourage farmers to embrace their inner entrepreneur. Younger growers, in particular, will benefit by learning about "the right stuff" from both their peers and longtime experts. This book provides a useful reference for beginning and experienced farmers alike. While many other books address agricultural production, there are very few that talk about business management for long-term sustainability. Farms with a Future offers an approachable, colorful take on building a triple-bottom-line farming business.

Homegrown Whole Grains Sara Pitzer 2009-01-01 A resource that has everything gardeners need to know to grow, harvest, store, grind, and cook small crops of nine types of whole grains also includes fifty recipes to bring whole grains to the family table. Original.

The Complete Guide to Growing Your Own Hops, Malts, and Brewing Herbs John N. Peragine 2011 Provides information on a variety of hops, grains, and herbs and offers instructions on their growth and harvest and the essentials of home brewing.

How to Grow World Record Tomatoes Charles H. Wilber 1999 Guinness world record holder Charles Wilber reveals for the first time how he grows record-breaking tomatoes without chemicals.

Wild Bread Lisa Rayner 2009-03 Wild Bread is much more than just another bread cookbook Have you ever wanted to bake San Francisco sourdough, crusty French artisan loaves, dense Russian ryes, Italian ciabatta, Indian naan, pita bread, great homemade pizza crusts, soft whole wheat sandwich bread, bagels, sweet doughs, Ethiopian injera crêpes and much more? This book explores what goes on inside dough as it is transformed from water, flour, wild yeast and probiotic bacteria into the kind of bread that makes your mouth water. You may never be satisfied with ordinary bread again. Once you learn what factors affect aroma, flavor, shape, crust and crumb, you too will be transformed — into an artisan. Wild Bread encourages your creativity and provides the basic principles you need to bake any bread you desire without needing a recipe. Wild bread also explores baking bread sustainably in solar

cookers and wood-fired earth ovens. Wild Bread teaches you how to make authentic whole grain sourdough artisan breads that are easy to knead by hand and make in the variable temperatures and humidities of an ordinary kitchen. Part I explains the science and care of sourdough ecosystems, including how to capture your own sourdough culture from the air and where to buy authentic cultures from around the world. Part II explains how to make bread, including how to grind your own wholegrain flours and bake artisan-style breads in a home oven. Part III contains instructions for making a variety of artisan loaves, flatbreads, pan breads, batter breads, sweet rolls and more—from wheat, rye and gluten-free whole grain flours. Part IV introduces you to the world of sustainable bread baking, with an exploration of energy-efficient solar cookers and wood-fired earth and brick ovens. Part V contains a variety of information to improve your bread baking, including commercial sources for authentic sourdough culture, bread troubleshooting tips, sources for sustainably-produced grains and flours, and books and DVDs on sourdough and artisan bread baking. One of the most highly rated sourdough bread books published in the last ten years according to reviewers on Amazon.com! "Highly recommended for personal, family, and community library cookbook collections." - The Midwest Book Review "One of the Best! A MUST HAVE for every serious bread enthusiast! ...To be perfectly honest, I did not have high expectations especially because I (like many others) have an inordinate fondness for full color splashy photographs, rich paper and enticing ad copy. The promise of simple binding, a few drawings and an unknown author didn't seem promising. To my great surprise, this book QUICKLY went to the top of my "must keep" list. The reading is engaging, very enjoyable with a pleasant conversational style. The drawings - while not full color photographs - are equally interesting and truly add a great touch...but, the Real value of this book is the content and information contained. It's absolutely packed full of relevant content about bread-making...without a doubt this book has more information than almost all the other books I bought including the highly ranked books by Peter Reinhart and Richard Bertinet...in fact, this book contained nearly everything in both of those books COMBINED plus much more. ..." (Five stars out of five) - JavaJunki Top 100 Amazon Reviewer "Your book is wonderful! I am so thankful to find a book that is more in line with our values than what is available on the mass market! Plus I would much rather support authors who are independently publishing or otherwise operating outside of the system." - Julie, Cultures for Health Copyright (c) 2009 170 pages. 8 1/2 inches by 7 inches. Color cover, black and white illustrations.

Training Manual for Organic Agriculture I. Gomez 2017-09-01 The production of this manual is a joint activity

between the Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC) and the Technologies and practices for smallholder farmers (TECA) Team from the Research and Extension Division (DDNR) of FAO Headquarters in Rome, Italy. The realization of this manual has been possible thanks to the hard review, compilation and edition work of Nadia Scialabba, Natural Resources officer (NRC) and Ilka Gomez and Lisa Thivant, members of the TECA Team. Special thanks are due to the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM), the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) and the International Institute for Rural Reconstruction (IIRR) for their valuable documents and publications on organic farming for smallholder farmers.

The Organic Grain Grower Jack Lazor 2013 The Organic Grain Grower is an invaluable resource for both home-scale and commercial producers interested in expanding their resiliency and crop diversity through growing their own grains. Longtime farmer and organic pioneer Jack Lazor covers how to grow and store wheat, barley, oats, corn, dry beans, soybeans, oilseeds, grasses, nutrient-dense forages, and lesser-known cereals. In addition, Lazor argues the importance of integrating grains on the organic farm (not to mention within the local food system) for reasons of biodiversity and whole-farm management. The Organic Grain Grower provides information on wide-ranging topics, from nutrient density and building soil fertility to machinery and grinding grains for livestock rations.--COVER.

Small-Scale Aquaponic Food Production Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 2015-12-30 Aquaponics is the integration of aquaculture and soilless culture in a closed production system. This manual details aquaponics for small-scale production--predominantly for home use. It is divided into nine chapters and seven annexes, with each chapter dedicated to an individual module of aquaponics. The target audience for this manual is agriculture extension agents, regional fisheries officers, non-governmental organizations, community organizers, government ministers, companies and singles worldwide. The intention is to bring a general understanding of aquaponics to people who previously may have only known about one aspect.

Getting Food from Water Gene Logsdon 2016-04-20 Get your feet wet with another one of Gene Logsdon's brilliant guides! Don't shy away from aquaculture for fear that it is too complex and difficult. With a little guidance, this decades-old tradition can be practiced successfully on plots of all sizes. Engage your water ecosystem and take your organic garden or homestead to the next level! In Getting Food From Water: A Guide to Backyard Aquaculture, Gene Logsdon turns his attention to the practice of small-scale aquaculture, presenting farmers and homesteaders

with a long-overdue guide for efficiently and responsibly making use of water ecosystems. There is a lot to be gained from even the smallest of aquaculture practices, from a deeper understanding of the way water interacts with land, to the cultivation of edible fish and aquatic plants. Inside, you'll learn about, Watershed science Mountain streams Warm-water creeks Freshwater wetlands-including bogs, beaver ponds, duck ponds, rivers, lakes, etc. Tidal wetlands where saltwater fish and shellfish can thrive Man-made ponds and how to keep them clean and fertile Logsdon also includes extensive chapters on raising or cultivating a wide range of fish, waterfowl, water flowers, and algae. If you're ready to unlock the potential of your water systems, Getting Food From Water will show you the way. Gene Logsdon and his wife Carol have a small-scale experimental farm in Wyandot County, Ohio. Gene is the author of numerous books and magazine articles on farm-related issues, and believes sustainable pastoral farming is the solution for our stressed agricultural system. Readers interested in related titles from Eugene Logsdon will also want to see: Gene Logsdon's Practical Skills (ISBN: 9781626545953), Homesteading (ISBN: 9781626545960), Organic Orchardng (ISBN: 9781626545793), Successful Berry Growing (ISBN: 9781626546004), Two Acre Eden (ISBN: 9781626545823), Gene Logsdon's Practical Skills (ISBN: 9781626545953), Homesteading (ISBN: 9781626545960), Organic Orchardng (ISBN: 9781626545793), Successful Berry Growing (ISBN: 9781626546004), Two Acre Eden (ISBN: 9781626545823).

Taming the Potted Beast Molly Williams 2022-09-13 The colorful, peculiar history of the houseplant—from ancient Rome to Victorian England to Instagram—a botanical adventure full of histrionic highs, devastating lows, and sensational turning points along the way. From the hanging gardens of Babylon to that fiddle-leaf fig in your living room, houseplants have been humanity's companions for a millennia. Taming the Potted Beast explores the history of our air-purifying friends with an entertaining narrative of the peculiar, often dramatic story of the cultivation and domestication of the not-so-humble houseplant. Including entertaining historical vignettes, DIY plant projects, and accessible tips and tricks for caring for your own historical houseplant collection, this book has any plant-curious reader covered. Readers will come away with practical projects, expert advice, and an understanding of the historical significance of houseplants as well as an appreciation of the cultures from which they emerged. Both fascinating and fun, Taming the Potted Beast will take readers on exhilarating botanical adventure through the ages. Will Bonsall's Essential Guide to Radical, Self-Reliant Gardening Will Bonsall 2015 "Society does not generally expect its farmers to be visionaries." Perhaps not, but longtime Maine farmer and homesteader Will Bonsall does

possess a unique clarity of vision that extends all the way from the finer points of soil fertility and seed saving to exploring how we can transform civilization and make our world a better, more resilient place. In Will Bonsall's *Essential Guide to Radical, Self-Reliant Gardening*, Bonsall maintains that to achieve real wealth we first need to understand the economy of the land, to realize that things that might make sense economically don't always make sense ecologically, and vice versa. The marketplace distorts our values, and our modern dependence on petroleum in particular presents a serious barrier to creating a truly sustainable agriculture. For him the solution is, first and foremost, greater self-reliance, especially in the areas of food and energy. By avoiding any off-farm inputs (fertilizers, minerals, and animal manures), Bonsall has learned how to practice a purely veganic, or plant-based, agriculture--not from a strictly moralistic or philosophical perspective, but because it makes good business sense: spend less instead of making more. What this means in practical terms is that Bonsall draws upon the fertility of on-farm plant materials: compost, green manures, perennial grasses, and forest products like leaves and ramial wood chips. And he grows and harvests a diversity of crops from both cultivated and perennial plants: vegetables, grains, pulses, oilseeds, fruits and nuts--even uncommon but useful permaculture plants like groundnut (*Apios*). In a friendly, almost conversational way, Bonsall imparts a wealth of knowledge drawn from his more than forty years of farming experience. "My goal," he writes, "is not to feed the world, but to feed myself and let others feed themselves. If we all did that, it might be a good beginning."

The Complete Guide to Organic Livestock Farming Terri Paajanen 2011 Small-scale, organic farming has grown greatly in popularity during the last two decades, with a greater turn in public awareness toward locally grown, organic, grass-fed products that have not been modified or chemically altered and that are from animals that were treated humanely. For that reason, those looking to start a small-scale, organic farm and raise livestock have a greater chance than ever before to take advantage of the new market for organic goods. This book will show any potential farmer how to start raising livestock and marketing it to the organic, natural lifestyle community that so fervently seeks out these products. You will learn how to start the basic outline for your new small farm, including which livestock to raise, how to build their pens and habitat, and what you will be feeding them to maintain a healthy, organic farm. Read about the basics of animal husbandry, from genetics and breeding to feeding, building locations, and proper health and reproduction care. You will discover how to find yourself the right niche for selling your products and what legalities you must see to, as well as get valuable information about the butchering and

processing phase of raising animals for food. Hundreds of hours of in-depth interviews have been conducted for this book with top experts in farm management to provide you with details about farm planning, financial planning, and proper livestock planning. A complete appendix will detail the various breeds and needs of cattle, chickens, goats, horses, pigs, and sheep to help you select the right livestock for your farm. In addition, you will learn the basic composition of most feeds, different grasses and legumes you can use, and find a plethora of outside resources to utilize. For anyone with dreams of a small farm and raising livestock in the future, this is a book for you. Atlantic Publishing is a small, independent publishing company based in Ocala, Florida. Founded over twenty years ago in the company president's garage, Atlantic Publishing has grown to become a renowned resource for non-fiction books. Today, over 450 titles are in print covering subjects such as small business, healthy living, management, finance, careers, and real estate. Atlantic Publishing prides itself on producing award winning, high-quality manuals that give readers up-to-date, pertinent information, real-world examples, and case studies with expert advice. Every book has resources, contact information, and web sites of the products or companies discussed.

Rice Farming Lucky James 2017-11-16 This book Contains a step by step guide on how to grow rice. Everything about rice farming are contain in this book. If you want to venture into commercial rice farming you really need this book.

Meat Simon Fairlie 2010 This work is an exploration of the difficult environmental and ethical issues that surround the human consumption of animal flesh. The world's meat consumption is rapidly rising, leading to devastating environmental impacts as well as having long term health implications for societies everywhere. The author lays out the reasons why we must decrease the amount of meat we eat, both for the planet and for ourselves. He argues, however, that the farming of animals for consumption has become problematic because we have removed ourselves physically and spiritually from the land. Our society needs to reorientate itself back to the land and the author explains why an agriculture that is most readily able to achieve this is one that includes a measure of livestock farming. -- From publisher.

Good Spirits Gene Logsdon 2000-07-01

How to Grow Top Quality Corn Harold Willis 2009-01-15 Hard to come by, practical, hands-on knowledge for the biological farmer on growing healthy corn ¿ America¿s top cash crop. From selecting the right fertilizers to

understanding open-pollinated benefits, this book touches on a wide array of topics.

**SMALL-SCALE FAMILY FARMING IN THE NEAR EAST AND NORTH AFRICA REGION** Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 2018-08-09 This report provides an overview of a study conducted in the NENA region in 2015-2016 in partnership with FAO, CIRAD, CIHEAM-IAMM and six national teams, each of which prepared a national report. In the six countries under review in the NENA region (Egypt, Lebanon, Morocco, Mauritania, Sudan and Tunisia), agriculture is carried out primarily by small-scale family farmers, the majority of whom run the risk of falling into the poverty trap, largely due to the continuous fragmentation of inherited landholdings. As such, the development of small-scale family farming can no longer be based solely on intensifying agriculture, as the farmers are not able to produce sufficient marketable surplus due to the limited size of their landholdings. An approach based strictly on agricultural activity is also insufficient (as small-scale family farms have already diversified their livelihoods with off-farm activities). In fact, developing small-scale farming cannot be achieved by focusing strictly on the dimension of production.

How to Grow More Vegetables, Ninth Edition John Jeavons 2017-07-25 The world's leading resource on biointensive, sustainable, high-yield organic gardening is thoroughly updated throughout, with new sections on using 12 percent less water and increasing compost power. Long before it was a trend, How to Grow More Vegetables brought backyard ecosystems to life for the home gardener by demonstrating sustainable growing methods for spectacular organic produce on a small but intensive scale. How to Grow More Vegetables has become the go-to reference for food growers at every level, whether home gardeners dedicated to nurturing backyard edibles with minimal water in maximum harmony with nature's cycles, or a small-scale commercial producer interested in optimizing soil fertility and increasing plant productivity. In the ninth edition, author John Jeavons has revised and updated each chapter, including new sections on using less water and increasing compost power.

**Wind Energy Basics** Paul Gipe 2009-05-05 The availability of clean, renewable power is without question going to be the defining challenge and goal of the 21st century, and wind will lead the way. Internationally acclaimed wind energy expert Paul Gipe is as soberly critical of past energy mistakes as he is convincingly optimistic about the future. The overwhelming challenge of transforming our world from one of fossil carbon to one of clean power seems daunting at best—and paralyzingly impractical at worst. Wind Energy Basics offers a solution. Wind power

can realistically not only replace the lion's share of oil-, coal-, and naturalgas- fired electrical plants in the U.S., but also can add enough extra power capacity to allow for most of the cars in the nation to run on electricity. Gipe explains why such a startlingly straightforward solution is eminently doable and can be accomplished much sooner than previously thought—and will have the capacity to resuscitate small and regional economies. *Wind Energy Basics* offers a how-to for home-based wind applications, with advice on which wind turbines to choose and which to avoid. He guides wind-energy installers through considerations such as renewable investment strategies and gives cautionary tales of wind applications gone wrong. And for the activist, he suggests methods of prodding federal, state, and provincial governments to promote energy independence.

Two Acre Eden Gene Logsdon 2016-03-25 *Two Acre Eden* is more than your average how-to book. The first in a long line of beloved books by homesteading sage Gene Logsdon, *Two Acre Eden* is an insightful and light-hearted treatise on gardening, homesteading, and getting the most out of your land. With a healthy dose of humor and eye toward pragmatism, Logsdon dispenses page after page of unbeatable advice on designing, building, and living off of your very own two-acre Garden of Eden. Inside you'll find practical and creative tips on: Mulching Pesticide use Planting cycles Urban farming Pruning Seed selection And much more... Logsdon also devotes time to the discussion of livestock and how to best cultivate a self-sustaining country lifestyle. Forty years after its original publication, *Two Acre Eden* is as unique as ever. An inspiring and educational read for gardeners, aspiring homesteaders, and city-folk who dream of the countryside, *Two Acre Eden* will give you a fresh perspective on old traditions.

*The New Bread Basket* Amy Halloran 2015-06-26 For more than 10,000 years, grains have been the staples of Western civilization. The stored energy of grain allowed our ancestors to shift from nomadic hunting and gathering and build settled communities—even great cities. Though most bread now comes from factory bakeries, the symbolism of wheat and bread—amber waves of grain, the staff of life—still carries great meaning. Today, bread and beer are once again building community as a new band of farmers, bakers, millers, and maltsters work to reinvent local grain systems. *The New Bread Basket* tells their stories and reveals the village that stands behind every loaf and every pint. While eating locally grown crops like heirloom tomatoes has become almost a cliché, grains are late in arriving to local tables, because growing them requires a lot of land and equipment. Milling, malting, and marketing take both tools and cooperation. *The New Bread Basket* reveals the bones of that

cooperation, profiling the seed breeders, agronomists, and grassroots food activists who are collaborating with farmers, millers, bakers, and other local producers. Take Andrea and Christian Stanley, a couple who taught themselves the craft of malting and opened the first malthouse in New England in one hundred years. Outside Ithaca, New York, bread from a farmer-miller-baker partnership has become an emblem in the battle against shale gas fracking. And in the Pacific Northwest, people are shifting grain markets from commodity exports to regional feed, food, and alcohol production. Such pioneering grain projects give consumers an alternative to industrial bread and beer, and return their production to a scale that respects people, local communities, and the health of the environment. Many Americans today avoid gluten and carbohydrates. Yet, our shared history with grains—from the village baker to Wonder Bread—suggests that modern changes in farming and processing could be the real reason that grains have become suspect in popular nutrition. The people profiled in *The New Bread Basket* are returning to traditional methods like long sourdough fermentations that might address the dietary ills attributed to wheat. Their work and lives make our foundational crops visible, and vital, again.

*Gene Logsdon's Practical Skills* Gene Logsdon 2017-08-07 *Gene Logsdon's Practical Skills* is all about the traditional crafts and practices for country living, reviving and documenting the homemaking, culinary, and agricultural skills handed down through generations of American farmers. Develop the skills your grandparents knew by heart. This is a book you can learn from for years to come.

*The Winter Harvest Handbook* Eliot Coleman 2009 Explains how to grow and harvest vegetables throughout the year in mobile plastic greenhouses that use little heat, covering topics such as greenhouse design and construction, soil preparation, weed control, pests, and summer and winter crops.

*Holy Shit* Gene Logsdon 2010-08-30 In his insightful new book, *Holy Shit: Managing Manure to Save Mankind*, contrary farmer Gene Logsdon provides the inside story of manure—our greatest, yet most misunderstood, natural resource. He begins by lamenting a modern society that not only throws away both animal and human manure—worth billions of dollars in fertilizer value—but that spends a staggering amount of money to do so. This wastefulness makes even less sense as the supply of mined or chemically synthesized fertilizers dwindles and their cost skyrockets. In fact, he argues, if we do not learn how to turn our manures into fertilizer to keep food production in line with increasing population, our civilization, like so many that went before it, will inevitably decline. With his trademark humor, his years of experience writing about both farming and waste management, and his uncanny eye

for the small but important details, Logsdon artfully describes how to manage farm manure, pet manure and human manure to make fertilizer and humus. He covers the field, so to speak, discussing topics like: How to select the right pitchfork for the job and use it correctly How to operate a small manure spreader How to build a barn manure pack with farm animal manure How to compost cat and dog waste How to recycle toilet water for irrigation purposes, and How to get rid ourselves of our irrational paranoia about feces and urine. Gene Logsdon does not mince words. This fresh, fascinating and entertaining look at an earthy, but absolutely crucial subject, is a small gem and is destined to become a classic of our agricultural literature.

A Solar Buyer's Guide for the Home and Office Stephen Hren 2010 Explains solar power and other renewable energy sources, including selecting the right equipment, hiring the best people to install it, redeeming government incentives, and maintaining the system once it is installed.

You Can Go Home Again Gene Logsdon 1998 "This is an enjoyable book that, for a brief while, will take many of its readers home." —News-Journal (Mansfield, OH) "[Logsdon] offers warmth and insight.. The simpler life is within our reach—if we will choose it." —Booklist "This is a quiet, reflective work that describes in some detail the difficulty of developing and maintaining a lifestyle supported by the land, something easier planned than maintained.... a memoir of the spiritual path of one escapee." —Bloomsbury Review "Deliciously irreverent, endearingly self-deprecating, full of good humor, Gene Logsdon's latest work is his personal testament to home, the retaining of which has been (Carol aside) the passion of his life." —Ohio Ecological Food & Farm Association News "Gene Logsdon has lived by failing according to most people's standards of success, and has made a good life. A good book, too. I like You Can Go Home Again (to name one reason of several) because it comes from experience. It has to do, not with speculation or theory or wishful thinking, but with what is possible." —Wendell Berry "Gene Logsdon demonstrates once again that a combination of intelligence, scholarship, passion, and fervent patriotism can equal only one characteristic these days, a contrary mind of a high order." —Wes Jackson, The Land Institute "In this vigorous memoir of his search for the good life, Gene Logsdon tells us why America's agrarian values matter to our future as well as to our past. Living simply, respecting the land, taking pleasure from the work of our hands, supplying many of our own needs, acting as neighbors—those values have not been lost, they've only been displaced, shoved to the margins. And Logsdon shows how we might draw them back to the center of our lives." —Scott Russell Sanders Here is a book for everyone who has dreamed about going back to the land to live a

simpler more meaningful life. Gene Logsdon's story embodies both the frustrations and longing so many of us feel as we search for our essential selves and a happy harmonious economic existence. The measure of his courage—and contrariness—is that he has been successful. In *You Can Go Home Again*, he tells us what motivated him and what success has meant.

The Resilient Gardener Carol Deppe 2010-10-05 Scientist/gardener Carol Deppe combines her passion for organic gardening with newly emerging scientific information from many fields — resilience science, climatology, climate change, ecology, anthropology, paleontology, sustainable agriculture, nutrition, health, and medicine. In the last half of *The Resilient Gardener*, Deppe extends and illustrates these principles with detailed information about growing and using five key crops: potatoes, corn, beans, squash, and eggs. In this book you'll learn how to:

- Garden in an era of unpredictable weather and climate change
- Grow, store, and use more of your own staple crops
- Garden efficiently and comfortably (even if you have a bad back)
- Grow, store, and cook different varieties of potatoes and save your own potato seed
- Grow the right varieties of corn to make your own gourmet-quality fast-cooking polenta, cornbread, parched corn, corn cakes, pancakes and even savory corn gravy
- Make whole-grain, corn-based breads and cakes using the author's original gluten-free recipes involving no other grains, artificial binders, or dairy products
- Grow and use popbeans and other grain legumes
- Grow, store, and use summer, winter, and drying squash
- Keep a home laying flock of ducks or chickens; integrate them with your gardening, and grow most of their feed.

*The Resilient Gardener* is both a conceptual and a hands-on organic gardening book, and is suitable for vegetable gardeners at all levels of experience. Resilience here is broadly conceived and encompasses a full range of problems, from personal hard times such as injuries, family crises, financial problems, health problems, and special dietary needs (gluten intolerance, food allergies, carbohydrate sensitivity, and a need for weight control) to serious regional and global disasters and climate change. It is a supremely optimistic as well as realistic book about how resilient gardeners and their vegetable gardens can flourish even in challenging times and help their communities to survive and thrive through everything that comes their way — from tomorrow through the next thousand years. Organic gardening, vegetable gardening, self-sufficiency, subsistence gardening, gluten-free living.

Growing Beans: A Diet for Healthy People & Planet Susan Young 2022-04-28 Beans are easy to grow, easy to cook, delicious, nourishing, and beneficial for us and the planet. Growing your own beans builds healthy soil in your garden and provides you with a nutrient rich diet. Beans can play a role in reducing the risk of obesity, diabetes,

heart disease and cancer; they are good sources of protein, fibre, folate, iron and potassium, and they can reduce our carbon footprint and food miles! Susan Young brings together 10 years of experimenting with multiple varieties of beans (*Phaseolus*) and takes us on a culinary journey around the world, revealing a range of colourful and historic beans, from the pink Fagiolo di Lamon of Italy to the black and white Bosnian Pole bean. She explains which varieties are best for eating fresh off the plant (green) and which for drying for later use, providing harvests for storing all through winter. Beans offer year-round meals, and dried beans can be the star of the show with their diversity of flavours and textures. Susan shares six must-grow beans, as well as a multitude of European varieties along with their backgrounds. She includes a basic guide to drying your beans and guidelines for cooking them. Learn how to sow, grow and harvest your beans, how to build supports for climbing and bush varieties, and keep your plants and soil healthy.

Week-by-Week Vegetable Gardener's Handbook Jennifer Kujawski 2011-01-08 Whether you're a seasoned gardener determined to increase crop yields or starting your very first vegetable garden, the Week-by-Week Vegetable Gardener's Handbook will help you manage your schedule and prioritize what's important. Detailed weekly to-do lists break gardening down into simple and manageable tasks so that you always know what needs to be done and when to do it, from starting seeds and planting strawberries to checking for tomato hornworms and harvesting carrots. Enjoy a bountiful harvest with this organized and stress-free approach to gardening.

The Winter Harvest Handbook Eliot Coleman 2009-04-15 Choosing locally grown organic food is a sustainable living trend that's taken hold throughout North America. Celebrated farming expert Eliot Coleman helped start this movement with *The New Organic Grower* published 20 years ago. He continues to lead the way, pushing the limits of the harvest season while working his world-renowned organic farm in Harborside, Maine. Now, with his long-awaited new book, *The Winter Harvest Handbook*, anyone can have access to his hard-won experience. Gardeners and farmers can use the innovative, highly successful methods Coleman describes in this comprehensive handbook to raise crops throughout the coldest of winters. Building on the techniques that hundreds of thousands of farmers and gardeners adopted from *The New Organic Grower* and *Four-Season Harvest*, this new book focuses on growing produce of unparalleled freshness and quality in customized unheated or, in some cases, minimally heated, movable plastic greenhouses. Coleman offers clear, concise details on greenhouse construction and maintenance, planting schedules, crop management, harvesting practices, and even marketing methods in this complete,

meticulous, and illustrated guide. Readers have access to all the techniques that have proven to produce higher-quality crops on Coleman's own farm. His painstaking research and experimentation with more than 30 different crops will be valuable to small farmers, homesteaders, and experienced home gardeners who seek to expand their production seasons. A passionate advocate for the revival of small-scale sustainable farming, Coleman provides a practical model for supplying fresh, locally grown produce during the winter season, even in climates where conventional wisdom says it "just can't be done."

Grain by Grain Bob Quinn 2019-03 "A compelling agricultural story skillfully told; environmentalists will eat it up." - Kirkus Reviews When Bob Quinn was a kid, a stranger at a county fair gave him a few kernels of an unusual grain. Years later, it would become the centerpiece of his multimillion dollar heirloom grain company, Kamut International. How Bob went from being a true believer in better farming through chemistry to a leading proponent of organics is the unlikely story of Grain by Grain. Along the way, readers will learn how ancient wheat can lower inflammation, how regenerative agriculture can bring back rural jobs, and how combining time-tested farming practices with modern science can point the way for the future of food.

Letter to a Young Farmer Gene Logsdon 2017-02-09 For more than four decades, the self-described "contrary farmer" and writer Gene Logsdon has commented on the state of American agriculture. In Letter to a Young Farmer, his final book of essays, Logsdon addresses the next generation--young people who are moving back to the land to enjoy a better way of life as small-scale "garden farmers." It's a lifestyle that isn't defined by accumulating wealth or by the "get big or get out" agribusiness mindset. Instead, it's one that recognizes the beauty of nature, cherishes the land, respects our fellow creatures, and values rural traditions. It's one that also looks forward and embraces "right technologies," including new and innovative ways of working smarter, not harder, and avoiding premature burnout. Completed only a few weeks before the author's death, Letter to a Young Farmer is a remarkable testament to the life and wisdom of one of the greatest rural philosophers and writers of our time.

Gene's earthy wit and sometimes irreverent humor combines with his valuable perspectives on many wide-ranging subjects--everything from how to show a ram who's boss to enjoying the almost churchlike calmness of a well-built livestock barn. Reading this book is like sitting down on the porch with a neighbor who has learned the ways of farming through years of long observation and practice. Someone, in short, who has "seen it all" and has much to say, and much to teach us, if we only take the time to listen and learn. And Gene Logsdon was the best kind of

teacher: equal parts storyteller, idealist, and rabble-rouser. His vision of a nation filled with garden farmers, based in cities, towns, and countrysides, will resonate with many people, both young and old, who long to create a more sustainable, meaningful life for themselves and a better world for all of us.

**Small-Scale Grain Raising** Gene Logsdon 2009-05-12 First published in 1977, this book—from one of America's most famous and prolific agricultural writers—became an almost instant classic among homestead gardeners and small farmers. Now fully updated and available once more, *Small-Scale Grain Raising* offers a entirely new generation of readers the best introduction to a wide range of both common and lesser-known specialty grains and related field crops, from corn, wheat, and rye to buckwheat, millet, rice, spelt, flax, and even beans and sunflowers. More and more Americans are seeking out locally grown foods, yet one of the real stumbling blocks to their efforts has been finding local sources for grains, which are grown mainly on large, distant corporate farms. At the same time, commodity prices for grains—and the products made from them—have skyrocketed due to rising energy costs and increased demand. In this book, Gene Logsdon proves that anyone who has access to a large garden or small farm can (and should) think outside the agribusiness box and learn to grow healthy whole grains or beans—the base of our culinary food pyramid—alongside their fruits and vegetables. Starting from the simple but revolutionary concept of the garden “pancake patch,” Logsdon opens up our eyes to a whole world of plants that we wrongly assume only the agricultural “big boys” can grow. He succinctly covers all the basics, from planting and dealing with pests, weeds, and diseases to harvesting, processing, storing, and using whole grains. There are even a few recipes sprinkled throughout, along with more than a little wit and wisdom. Never has there been a better time, or a more receptive audience, for this book. Localvores, serious home gardeners, CSA farmers, and whole-foods advocates—in fact, all people who value fresh, high-quality foods—will find a field full of information and ideas in this once and future classic.

**Crop Rotation on Organic Farms** Charles L. Mohler 2009

**Beautiful Corn** Anthony Boutard 2012-09-01 A market farmer and naturalist writes on the history, cultivation, and culture of corn, as well as his own personal experience with the remarkable crop. Cultivated from sea level to mountaintop, from parched deserts to sodden rain forests, from the rocky Gaspé Peninsula to the plains of Argentina, corn is the grain of the Americas. In terms of culinary uses, it is amazingly diverse, reflecting the breathtaking variety of the continents and environments from which it evolved. The consummate immigrant, corn is

grown extensively on every continent except Antarctica. Author Anthony Boutard weaves together this unique plant's contribution to our culture, its distinctive biology, and the practical information needed to grow and enjoy it at home. Beautiful Corn advocates a return to the nourishing whole grain that built America, in place of today's genetically modified crops processed by industrial agriculture into synthetic sweeteners and cheap meat. Come along on this lyrical and inspiring journey through the seasons, learning about growing and using corn in the traditional way. Gardeners and market farmers can lead the way to a healthier country by restoring heritage corn varieties to our tables. An unabashed celebration of a much-maligned culinary treasure, Beautiful Corn will forever change the way you view this remarkable plant. "Part love song to an ancient grain, part elevated instruction on how to grow, cook, and consume it, part history and animated story, Beautiful Corn opens our eyes to a food plant that humans have both cultivated and been cultivated by.... Boutard's book is as nourishing as the corn he so wonderfully describes."—Michael Ableman, farmer, author of Street Farm and From the Good Earth Uprisings Sarah Simpson 2013-10-14 This practical guide explores the food security and community sufficiency benefits of growing local grain—and shows you how easy it is to get started. If we want to reduce our environmental impact, build resiliency in our community, and improve food security, it's up to us to make it happen. Uprisings shows how communities across North America can take action by reviving local grain production. Environmental journalist Sarah Simpson profiles of ten unique community models demonstrating how local grain production is already making a difference. She then shares step-by-step instructions for small-scale grain production that will turn any community into a hotbed of revolution. Learn about: How locally grown wheat, barley, and other grains can impact a community How to start a community grain project from scratch How to plant, grow, harvest, thresh, winnow, and store your grain How to use whole and sprouted grains in your kitchen