Edible Landscaping With A Permaculture Twist: How To Have Your Yard And Eat It Too

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Edible Landscaping with a Permaculture Twist is a how-to manual for the budding gardener and experienced green thumb alike, full of creative and easy-to-follow designs that guide you to having your yard and eating it, too. With the help of more than 200 beautiful color photos and drawings, permaculture designer and avid grower Michael Judd takes the reader on a step-by-step process to transform a sea of grass into a flourishing edible landscape that pleases the eye as well as the taste buds. With personality and humor, he translates the complexities of permaculture design into simple self-build projects, providing full details on the evolving design process, material identification, and costs. Chapters cover: Herb Spirals Food Forests Raised-Bed Gardens Earthen Ovens Uncommon Fruits Outdoor Mushroom Cultivation, and more . . . The book’s colorful pages are filled with practical designs that Judd has created and built over years of workshops, homesteading, and running an edible landscaping business. Though geared toward suburban gardeners starting from scratch, the book’s designs can be easily grafted to the micro-habits of the urban landscape, scaled up to the acreage of homesteads, or adapted to already flourishing landscapes. Edible Landscaping with a Permaculture Twist is a tool to spark and inform the imagination of anyone with a desire to turn their landscape into a luscious and productive edible Eden.

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If there was an EASY button or book for learning about edible gardens, this would be it. This book is easy to read. It’s fun. It’s beautifully illustrated. And, it’s full of good content for those interested in
making their property more delicious, nutritious, and beautiful. While I enjoy reading and learning about permaculture and sustainable living, and I loved Dave Jacke’s two volumes on "Edible Food Forests" -- books like that are not for the faint of heart. This is an entirely different kind of a book, and more appropriate for a broader audience. This is the book for you if you want to learn about edible landscaping and see some practical ways to make it happen in your yard. You might have heard about permaculture or biodynamics or edible gardens and think they have some good ideas, but don’t quite know how to get started. You might have a plot of land that is 50 square feet or up to a few acres. You might be adventurous and want to try your hand at growing some new healthy foods that taste great (like great fruits, mushrooms, and herbs). You might like the idea of growing plants that play nicely together and create a beautiful environment. You might like the idea of getting your hands a little dirty, but aren’t interested in anything that definitely requires skilled labor. If this sounds like you, then I recommend this book. If you’re looking for some deep, rich, or theoretical treatise, this book is not going to scratch that itch. This book acknowledges that there are underlying principles, but leaves the explaining to thicker books. If you’re looking for a comprehensive list of edible plants and the attributes of various plants, this book will not completely satisfy that desire.

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