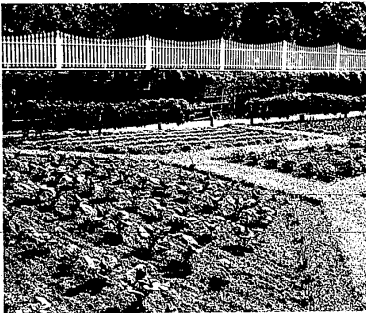


Cut Your Grocery Bill, Too.

Here's How To Enjoy Your Own Vegetable Garden... It's Easier Than You Think And Can Beautify Your Home



A classical vegetable garden with its borders of dwarf fruit trims paths of turf, adding to its beauty.

You can do something about the high cost of produce... and get plenty of pleasurable leisure time as well.

Start your own home vegetable garden.

An increasingly popular creation, well-planned and cared for home vegetable gardens are also an attractive addition to the landscaping.

And you don't need an estate-size lot to situate your garden. You'll most likely be surprised at the amount and variety of vegetables a small section of ground will yield.

WHERE TO PLANT

Success of your garden depends

greatly on location, and although you may be limited in deciding where to plant, you should consider the following factors.

SOIL -- A loose, fertile, level ground should be selected. And when the rains come, be sure you are prepared by selecting an area that drains well.

AMPLE SUNLIGHT -- To produce high-quality vegetables plenty of sunlight is needed. Don't plant near buildings, shrubs or trees that may shade your garden. If planting near shade-producing objects is unavoidable, situate your garden on the south or southwest side of the object.

NEIGHBORING PLANTS -- Avoid a location near trees and shrubs because they compete with the garden crops for soil moisture and plant food.

WATER SUPPLY -- Try to have a water supply near your garden site. Before the plants are set in the ground and while they are young they will require frequent watering.

PLAN BEFORE YOU START -- Choose a garden size to fit the type of vegetables you plan to grow. Don't become overly enthusiastic and plant a garden that is too large and will demand too much of your attention. This mistake could turn your gardening from a pastime into a burden.

Also the size of the plot will to some degree dictate the type of crops it will support. Vegetables such as cucumbers, melons, potatoes, and vine-type squash generally require a plot at least 25 feet by 25 feet.

If space is severely limited it's smart to grow particularly productive crops such as snap beans, tomatoes, summer squash, and peppers.

THE WISE GARDENER will raise vegetables according to their growing season and growth characteristics.

Perennial crops such as asparagus and rhubarb should be segregated along one side of the garden so they will be out of the way during spading or plowing.

Reveries to grow early-maturing crops at one end of the garden so that you can spade or plow as you plant. When possible plant tall-growing crops to the north or west of lower-growing crops to avoid shading.

BUYING THE RIGHT SEED

Experienced gardeners buy most of their seeds through seed catalogs, which offer large varieties and seeds that are new on the market. Catalogs of most companies are available from December through spring, and include

information that cannot be printed on small packets. Most garden magazines list names and addresses of seed companies.

Take the time to prepare a seedbed, otherwise the first sight of green coming from your garden may be weeds instead of young vegetable plants.

WHEN TO PLANT depends on the vegetable. Generally planting should be done in the months of April through June, with planting activity reaching a zenith in May.

The actual planting should be done in straight rows, which makes for an



Vegetables have their own attractiveness.

attractive looking garden and simplifies cultivation, insect control, and harvesting.

Shallow furrows for small seeds are easily created by drawing a hoe handle across the strip. Seed spacing and instructions are usually included on the seed packet.

STORING THE FRUITS OF YOUR LABOR

It's been three months since you turned the first spade of dirt, and the many hours of loving care and nurturing have finally come to fruition.

Your garden is mature and ready to be harvested. But suddenly the problem is no longer how to encourage the vegetables to grow, but what to do with your "surprisingly" bountiful harvest (since the relatives and neighbors can absorb only so much of the surplus).

The answer is, store your vegetables. Some vegetables can be stored for several months under the proper conditions.

Carrots, beets, parsnips, salsify, rutabagas, turnips, potatoes, and cabbage should be stored at near 32 degrees F (without freezing) and

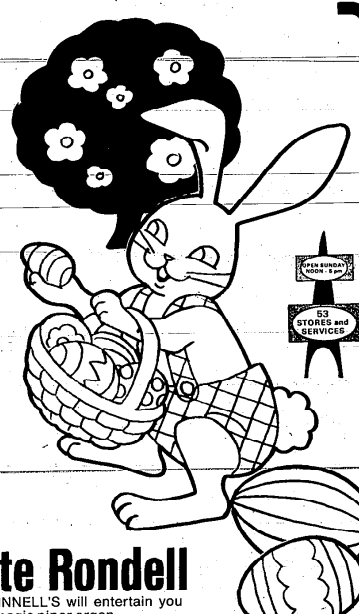
under high humidity conditions of 85 to 95 per cent. You might try perforated plastic bags.

ROOT CROPS can be buried in moist sand or packed in a large garbage can with moist sand to prevent drying out. The can may be buried in the soil and covered with a layer of straw.

ONIONS should be stored near 32 degrees but under lower humidity of about 65 to 75 per cent. PUMPKINS and WINTER SQUASH will keep well if stored above 50 degrees and under dry conditions.

MATURE GREEN TOMATOES may be harvested prior to frost, and if stored at 55 degrees may be kept as long as 6 to 8 weeks. Holding tomatoes below this temperature will result in abnormal ripening and rotting.

Try your hand, or green thumb, at menaging a garden this year. Here's wishing you good growing. And if all goes well, and your plants are rife with vegetable, then you can walk by your supermarket's produce department and those high prices... and smile.



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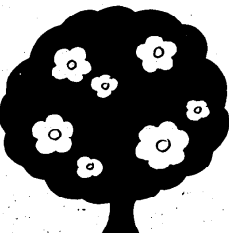
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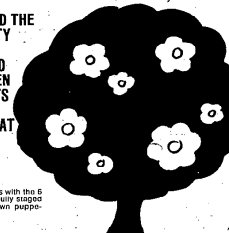
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