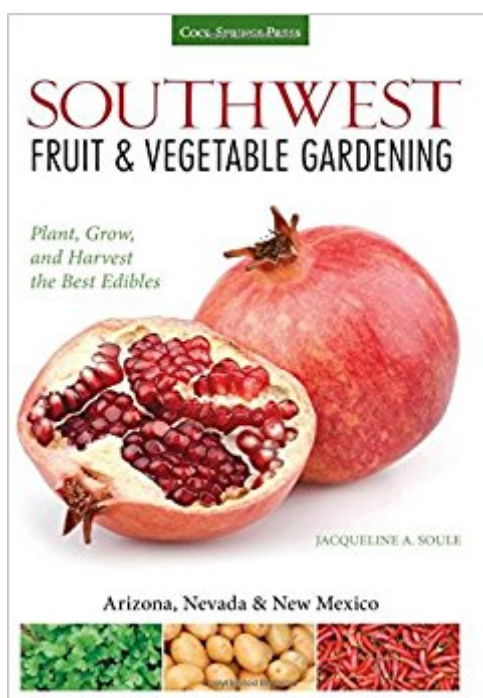


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# Southwest Fruit & Vegetable Gardening: Plant, Grow, And Harvest The Best Edibles - Arizona, Nevada & New Mexico (Fruit & Vegetable Gardening Guides)



## Synopsis

Master the art of edible gardening in the beautiful southwestern United States. Southwest Fruit & Vegetable Gardening is written exclusively for gardeners who want to grow edibles in Arizona, New Mexico, or Nevada. Author Jacqueline Soule shares her bountiful knowledge of edibles in general and the Southwest region in particular, equipping you with all the information you need to design your edible garden, tend the soil, maintain your plants throughout their life cycles, and--most importantly--harvest the delicious foods they produce. So whether you live in the Tucson suburbs, the New Mexico Bootheel, the Mojave Desert, or anywhere else in the southwestern tri-state area, you'll discover the best fruit and vegetable plants for your garden in this beautiful step-by-step how-to guide . . . and before you know it you'll have delicious fresh fruits and vegetables on your table.

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## Customer Reviews

"(Soules) offers advice liberally but without judgement, urging gardeners of all experience levels to give themselves a break when something doesn't grow the way they'd hoped." - Su Casa Magazine  
"Soule's book is chock full of colorful photos, as well as helpful graphs and charts, that can motivate and educate any gardener." - Tucson Lifestyle magazine

Jacqueline A. Soule is a botanist and garden writer from Tucson. She has developed strong

expertise as a gardener in the Southwest. As a garden writer, Soule has contributed more than a thousand gardening columns for local, regional, and national newspapers and magazines, and she has written or been the technical writer for numerous gardening books. Soule teamed up with the Tierra del Sol Institute to develop its Arizona Gardening Series, consisting of *Butterfly Gardening in Southern Arizona* (2012) and *Success With Succulents* (2013). She is the author of *Southwest Fruit & Vegetable Gardening* (Cool Springs Press). When she's not writing gardening columns or books, Soule is a speaker and educator, offering a wide array of plant-related workshops, classes, and other programs throughout southern Arizona, including through OASIS Tucson. She loves to landscape with plants that require as little care as possible. Many of the plants in her books were test grown in her own yard.

This is a really great addition to my gardening library. Growing food in the desert is different than gardening in other parts of the country, and Jacqueline Soule's new guide is easy and pleasurable to read. I especially appreciate the variety recommendations separated by elevation - this will be a great help when visiting local nurseries.

I bought this book about 2 weeks ago and could not put it down. It is well written and gives specifics for all areas of the southwest. For me, that's low desert. I immediately went out and fertilized my peach trees and have plans to put in another type that ripens later than the 2 I have now ripen. I also plan to add several other fruit trees. As for the vegetables, I think I finally have it though my thick head that I can't plant everything in the very early spring and expect it to flourish once it gets to 100+ a couple of months later. Planting in fall when it's 100+ seems so wrong, but it is what's necessary. Ms. Soule made me see the light and I can't wait to get more garden areas going. Thank you so much for a great well written book full of information!

So far has been quite interesting and informative. Only 4 stars because haven't been able to implement the information on our 5-acre property out in the high desert yet.

I am just beginning to try to grow some of my own food. It has been fun, but it can be confusing what to grow and how. In the Southwest, gardening is even harder with two growing seasons so it is helpful to have information specific to our region. This book has been and will be a helpful resource to me for many years to come I am sure!

I'm planning to move to New Mexico and this book was a great resource as to the vegetables to be grown in that climate. Looking forward to a move and to gardening in the Southwest.

The book is useful for the southwest and fulfills a niche I haven't found well covered elsewhere.. Living in the "cold mountains region" of NM, I found it to have some use but because the author lives in the AZ desert, the comments seem more focused on that area. It was however, really helpful to me to see some of my observations and experience corroborated (I have gardened in the NM cool highlands as well as the cold mountains since 1993). I would recommend this to any vegetable gardener new to the southwest states. I wish it had been available when I was starting out. But for us cool weather gardeners- don't give up on tomatoes. I didn't have any blossom rot until the last 3-4 years- but now that the weather is noticeably hotter, it may become a more consistent problem (calcium blossom rot sprays seem to help).

Everything as expected.

A concise view of raising food in the harsh Southwestern growing conditions.

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