

## Planting ideas booklist

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## Make your own garden extraordinary

<u>Gardenista</u> by Michelle Slatalla-Go beyond having a beautiful garden and turn your outdoor space into an extension of your home with the design ideas presented here by Slatalla and her team from Gardenista.com. Along with 12 example gardens, readers can expect to find tips for growing in different climates, plans for building garden structures, DIY projects, and easy to implement designs. **BELMONT/Adult 635 SLA** 





<u>Niki Jabbour's veggie garden remix</u> by Niki Jabbour-If you're looking to diversify what you're growing in your vegetable garden then Niki Jabbour has you covered. The author and host of a popular gardening radio show in Nova Scotia offers a treasure trove of different vegetables from around the world to try in your own garden. Her easy to follow system of "if you like...then try..." will help you find the perfect set of exotic veggies to fit your family's tastes. **BELMONT/New Books 635 JAB** 

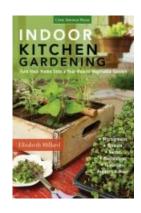
The bee friendly garden by Kate Frey and Gretchen LeBuhn-Want to learn how to use your garden to help the local ecosystem? Then checkout this handbook where Frey and LeBuhn will guide you through how to make your garden more hospitable to the bee population. Along with instructions on setting up a garden so there is always something blooming, the authors dispel myths about the insects and provide background information on the different species of bees. BELMONT/Adult 595.799 FRE



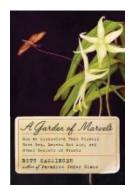


<u>Container theme gardens</u> by Nancy Ondra-For those who want a beautiful garden but lack the fertile land to make it happen Nancy Ondra presents 42 designs that can be created using five different kinds potted plants in each design. Included with each design is the care for the garden throughout the seasons and alternatives to each plant so readers can adjust to their own styles and what is available at their local garden centers. **BELMONT/Adult 635.986 OND** 

Indoor kitchen gardening by Elizabeth Millard-Enjoy fresh produce from your garden all year round by following this guide by the co-owner of Bossy Acres. Readers will learn how to create hospitable environments for a host of herbs, vegetables, and microgreens right in their own kitchens, offices, and basements. Millard covers the whole process including the right containers for each plant, day-to-day care, harvesting, and preservation. **BELMONT/Adult 635 MIL** 

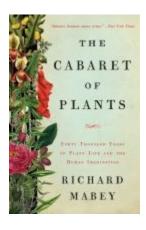


## The science behind it

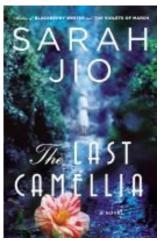


<u>A garden of marvels</u> by Ruth Kassinger-If you've ever wondered what actually makes your garden grow then this exploration of botany is perfect for you. Kassinger, a science writer and self taught gardener, explores everything from the scientists responsible for the major advancements in the field to the science behind growing giant pumpkins. **BELMONT/Adult 580.92 KAS** 

<u>The cabaret of plants</u> by Richard Mabey-The acclaimed British naturalist argues for a view of nature less centered on anthropoids and more focused on the plant life surrounding them. Mabey looks at how plants have helped shape the human experience and how our knowledge of plant life has evolved over time. Though filled with plenty of scholarly material this title is written to be understood and enjoyed by laypeople. **BELMONT/Adult 580 MAB** 



## Mysterious gardens



The last camellia by Sarah Jio-This novel follows two New Yorkers from different time periods during their time at the same English estate. In 1940 Flora is hired to pose as a nanny with the goal of stealing the last known plant of a rare species of camellia so she can pay off her family's debts. In 2013 Addison is quick to go with her husband to the estate now owned by his family to escape a blackmailer back home who is threatening to uncover long buried secrets. Both women are intrigued by the mysteries surrounding the estate in their times, though it may lead to the demise of one or both of them. **BELMONT/Adult FIC JIO** 

<u>Death in the orchid garden</u> by Ann Ripley-Louise Eldridge is in Hawaii to film her PBS gardening show with a stacked panel of three world renowned men in the garden world who all happen to hate each other. Louise's plans are quickly destroyed when she finds one of the men murdered on the beach. When another perishes under suspicious circumstances Louise reluctantly turns to her amateur sleuthing skills to find who is behind the murders. This is the tenth entry in Ripley's Gardening Mysteries series. **BELMONT/Adult MYS RIP** 

