

Golden Gate Gardening Year Round Food Gardening In The San Francisco Bay Area And Coastal California Paperback

Childhood memories become warm and rose colored, "and that's as it should be," so said an old friend of mine who shared more than a few with me. Mine, too, are warm and rose colored; but also vivid. Yes, I really do remember being in a crib. Folks challenge me on that once in a while. But for how much longer, I'm not sure. Once the mental concrete hardens, I'll be left with what I can glean from pictures and second hand accounts. So I wrote this book. And of course, one memory led to another. Eleven years of them, the ones I spent growing up Brooklyn. What follows are the good stories of the people who mattered - still matter - to me. Today more than ever, I look at them with warm, rose colored sight, content that my earliest memories are true and valuable.

A Spectacular Enhancement to the Skill System Mythic Skills introduces a system of skill exploits that take the basic tasks your skills allow you to perform and dials them up to amazing levels. In addition, every skill in the Pathfinder Roleplaying Game Core Rulebook also gets brand-new skill exploits, as well as greater exploits that only the most skilled masters would even attempt. This book contains rules for using these enhanced skills with mythic characters but also provides an alternative system for use in non-mythic Pathfinder campaigns! This system allows your characters to focus on their skills as a key part of their character construction and to invest more of their character's abilities in their character itself, rather than the character's gear or magical tools. You can use these rules generally with mythic characters, allowing them to attempt all manner of skill-based exploits, or you can limit the ability to pull off these amazing skill stunts to those mythic characters that have really invested in making their skills a key part of their character's identity. The mythic rules offer an opportunity to magnify what makes a character special, and the skills they choose to hone as part of their background narrative and throughout the course of the campaign should be just as important in defining them as their marvelous magic and fabulous feats. With Mythic Skills in your hands, your skills will be just as spectacular!"

Always wanted to have your own Garden full of life and energy? Whether you want to learn which plants work better with others, how to grow healthy blossoming flowers, or which techniques you need to master to help give you that fantastic looking garden? all year round this book will help!!! Here are some of the things you can expect to find inside ... How to plan and design your garden Common mistakes to avoid Which plants and vegetables beginners should start with Tools and Equipment to kickstart your success How to maintain a healthy garden all year round MUCH, MUCH, MORE! No matter what your? gardening experience and skill level is at, ? The Complete Guide to Gardening for Beginners? provides the advice and inspiration? you need to grow the garden of your dreams!

A Collection of Matt Shaw's heartbreaking dramas Matt Shaw does not just write horror. In fact, when asked what his favourite books are, he often names the tales collected within this set. Stories of heartbreak, loss and grief - all with an element of hope... A hope we often forget when dealing with grief. Contained within this collection Heaven's Calling BOY: Built to Love The Missing Years of Thomas Pritchard (unpublished short story) Alone Heaven's Calling Josh and Holly could face anything thrown at them all the time they had each other. Their love would conquer anything and the world was their oyster. But when a tragic accident tears Josh away from Holly she realises that, without her husband, she cannot cope and her world begins to crumble; her loss being more than she can handle. Until, that is, she receives a phone call. Her late husband. The same time every day; he doesn't appear to know what has happened to him and Holly can't bring herself to tell him. She isn't even sure if it really is him calling or whether it's all in her tormented mind. Especially seeing as the calls only happen when she is alone. Is it all in her head, has she gone mad, or is heaven really calling? Boy: Built to Love No parent should have to bury their own child and yet that was exactly what they had to do. Stillborn; a young boy never to open his eyes to take in the world around him. And now Lucy and Jack's marriage was on the verge of crumbling under the strain of the grief they struggled to cope with. A grief made worse when the doctors tell them they'll never be able to have a child of their own due to complications from the last pregnancy. But what if it didn't have to be that way? What if there was a way of using science and technology to create a son they could love? What if Jack was able to use Artificial Intelligence to create A Boy: Built to Love? Is the answer to their problems to be found within the world of science-fiction or are they setting themselves up for yet more grief and sadness? The Missing Years of Thomas Pritchard August 3rd. 6:03am. The tranquil summer's morning was shattered by the desperate screams of Thomas' mother echoing down the near deserted suburban street. The few people milling about outside getting ready for their daily business had said they couldn't make out what the cries were about when they were interviewed. Not initially. Not until Anne, a pretty woman in her early thirties with shoulder length blonde hair, spilled out onto the street wearing nothing more than her dressing gown and slippers anxiously calling out for her five year old son, Thomas, to come out from wherever he was hiding. Eye witnesses reported Anne was closely followed by her husband Bill - a professional, clean-shaven man in his late thirties with dark, short hair - half dressed for work in his suit trousers and unbuttoned white shirt, and that he too looked just as frantic as the mother did. The year was 2003; the year Thomas disappeared from his home without a trace. * * * * August 3rd. 6:03am. A young, fragile looking hand knocked confidently on the white PVC of the front door to number twenty-two. The hand belonged to a smartly dressed, skinny fourteen year old, fresh-faced boy. Whilst waiting for an answer to his knocking he slid a brown leather satchel off his shoulder down onto the floor as though the weight was too much for him to bear any more. He went to knock again but stopped himself when he heard the sound of footsteps from the other side of the door as the freshly woken homeowner came to answer his initial knocking. There was the slightest of pauses as keys were twisted in locks before the door opened as much as the strong, gold, security chain would permit it to. "Can I help you?" asked the homeowner, a frail looking woman in her late sixties. "Where's my mum?" asked the boy. The year was 2012; the year Thomas came home.

A High School Club investigates the disappearance of a bus load of students from a school field trip. The case leads them to a remote mountain and the discovery of ancient tunnels that were constructed 10,000 years ago by cosmic visitors. The tunnels are so sensitive that the Government must protect them at all costs.

"A rich, sensual, bewitching adventure of good vs. evil with love as the prize." ~Publisher's Weekly on ETERNITY 300 years ago, Raven St. James was hanged for witchcraft. But she revives among the dead to find herself alive. She is an Immortal High Witch, one of the light. A note from her mother warns that there are others, those of the Dark, who preserve their own lives by taking the hearts of those like her. Duncan Wallace's forbidden love for the secretive lass costs him his life. 300 years later, he loves her again, tormented by hazy memories of a past that

can't be real. She tells him of another lifetime, claims to be immortal. Though he knows she's deluded, he can't stay away. And the Dark Witch after her heart is far closer than either of them know. If you liked the TV Series HIGHLANDER, you will LOVE this series. Don't miss Book 2, INFINITY. "A hauntingly beautiful story of a love that endures through time itself." ~New York Times Bestselling Author, Kay Hooper "This captivating story of a love that reaches across the centuries, becomes as immortal as the lover's themselves, resonates with timeless passion, powerful magic, and haunting heartbreak." ~BN.com's official review

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This book will take you back to great childhood and adulthood memories of running around in the yard on magical hunts full of bright surprises. Can you remember running around laughing catching fireflies? What did you do with the fireflies you caught? Did you catch and release or did you stick them in a mason jars with holes in the lid or did you wonder about the green glowing light and what that was all about and smear it to see what happens? Well I will tell you what happens it glows! We are never too old to chase fireflies and be fascinated by them. So I hope the child inside of you runs outside to chase you a firefly.

An MBA from Kellogg, a six-figure salary teasing toward seven, and a career trajectory in international banking that challenged gravity. Whether in Boston or Moscow, Carson Neshek led a charmed existence filled with fast cars, lucrative business deals and beautiful women. With Russia now open for private investment and the world knocking on the door, Carson only had time for business. A personal life -- or at least its encumbrances -- would have to wait. That included the exotic beauty Sasha and her daughter Vika, for whom Carson was "daddy" only as an occasional patron. Russia was a land of adventure and opportunity that demanded taming. And gambling with it was an intoxicating game until the stakes escalated too far too fast - threatening his career and maybe his life. Carson stood at the dangerous intersection of corrupt politics and mafia-controlled business in Russia. As murders began to pile up he found himself squeezed between the terrifying Russian criminal underworld, all-reaching Russian political power, and even U.S. law. Carson would have to learn whom he could trust and what he could save and then make a choice -- before it was too late.

Golden Gate Gardening The Complete Guide to Year-round Food Gardening in the San Francisco Bay Area and Coastal California Sasquatch Books

Seasoned garden writers Susan Lowry and Nancy Berner, along with leading landscape photographer Marion Brenner, tour more than thirty-five private gardens in the San Francisco Bay Area, illuminating the unrivalled beauty of Northern California—the breadth of the sky, the quality of the light, the sparkle of the Bay, the shapes of the hills—that has beckoned landscape designers and gardeners for generations. Organized geographically—starting with the San Francisco Peninsula, moving north into San Francisco itself, crossing the Bay into Berkeley and Oakland, and finishing in Napa, Sonoma, and Marin—Private Gardens of the Bay Area encompasses an extraordinary range of micro-climates that foster the cultivation of an equally extraordinary range of plants. The kaleidoscope of vigorous plants from five continents bursting out of an Oakland front yard is one kind of garden, the clean-lined contemporary composition of drought-tolerant natives and gravel is another, and the garden tucked into the mountain landscape of oaks, manzanitas, and ceanothus is yet another. This fascinating tour includes gardens such as Green Gables, where the 1911 terraced design by Greene & Greene is meticulously preserved; Big Swing, with a world-renowned collection of salvias; a vertical garden on a vertiginous site in San Francisco by Surfacedesign; and a romantic landscape of lawns, perennial beds, and stately oaks owned by noted collectors and gallerists Gretchen and John Berggruen. Lowry and Berner describe the goals of each garden owner and the principles behind the designs.

The book shows how to start, maintain and harvest an edible garden along with propagation and winter care and solutions to common garden problems. The book includes veggie favorites (tomatoes, lettuce) berries (blueberries, raspberries), the super healthy (flax, broccoli) the oddly beautiful (brussel sprouts, asparagus) the ancient and exotic (quinoa, kiwi)

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old. When told by a doctor to keep the news of his father's terminal illness a secret, the deception led to nearly 50 years of regret and despair. Testing his stamina and age, the bike ride begins at the Golden Gate Bridge on September 11, 2014 and ends nearly exactly one year later on the Golden Gate. In between, the author finds solace and a fitting tribute to a father who died too soon. From the book: The doctor left the room and left my mother, my brother, and myself to fend for ourselves. Fend off such assaults as when just a few days later, the surgeon summoned us to his office. My father was still in the hospital, still reeling from his surgery, when the doctor in all of his professorial genius opined that we were not to tell my father of his terminal disease. "Keep it to yourselves," he said in whispered, conspiratorial, haunting tones. "The patient shouldn't know. If he did, his last few months would be even more uncomfortable." So when my father returned home and for a brief time felt good and hopeful, even going back to work for several days, his wife and two sons had the insufferable burden of lying to him. "I'm so damn glad the worst part is over," he'd say during his short reprieve. "I told you I'm going to beat this thing..." But we were committed to obeying doctor's orders, committed to the code of silence.

Buried in the bowels of one of the several intelligence agencies in the US government is an office of clandestine medical personnel. Their mission is to analyze the health and mental state of international persons of interest and report their findings to America's policymakers. The team is on call 24/7 to comment on and analyze any written observations, pictures or videos of such persons of interest that may come into the hands of the U.S. government. The goal is to provide timely information to policymakers and negotiators so that the United States of America may achieve maximum success in dealing with the people concerned. Usually this is done in the safe confines of the Agency walls, but sometimes the analysts are forced to place themselves in harms way. Through it all and despite the circumstances, their Code of Honor is to Do No Harm.

Since it was first published in 2002, the California Master Gardener Handbook has been the definitive guide to best practices and advice for gardeners throughout the West. Now the much-anticipated 2nd Edition to the Handbook is here—completely redesigned, with updated tables, graphics, and color photos throughout. Whether you're a beginner double digging your first bed or a University of California Master Gardener, this handbook will be your go-to source for the practical, science-based information you need to sustainably maintain your landscape and garden and become an effective problem solver. Chapters cover soil, fertilizer, and water management, plant propagation, plant physiology; weeds and pests; home vegetable gardening; specific garden crops including grapes, berries temperate fruits and nuts, citrus, and avocados. Also included is information on lawns, woody landscape plants, and landscape design. New to the 2nd Edition is information on invasive plants and principles of designing and maintaining landscapes for fire protection. Inside are updates to the technical information found in each chapter, reorganization of information for better ease of use, and new content on important emerging topics. Useful conversions for many units of measure found in the Handbook or needed in caring for gardens and landscapes are located in Appendix A. A glossary of important technical terms used and an extensive index round out the book.

Design and build a hoophouse or polytunnel, and grow abundant produce year-round in any climate Growing in hoophouses – also known as high tunnels or polytunnels – reduces the impact of an increasingly unpredictable climate on crops, mitigates soil erosion, extends the growing season and keeps leafy greens alive through the winter, and enables growers to supply more regional food needs. The Year-Round Hoophouse is a comprehensive guide to designing and building a hoophouse and making a success of growing abundant, delicious fresh produce all year, whatever your climate and land size. Chapters include: Hoophouse siting, size, style, frame construction, and tools Bed layout, soil, crop rotations, and extensive coverage of various crops for all seasons Organic solutions to pests and diseases Disaster preparation Tested resources for each chapter. The Year-Round Hoophouse is ideal for farmers who wish to move into protected growing, as well as beginning farmers in rural and urban spaces. It is an essential reference resource for professors and students of courses in sustainable agriculture, as well as interns and apprentices learning on the job.

America's Happy Gardener(tm) and award-winning KSFO radio host Bob Tanem brings all of his gardening know-how to this valuable new tool for the Northern California gardener. Gardening Month by Month in Northern California is a beautiful perpetual calendar

Maggie Whitaker decides to forego college to work in her family-run jewelry shop. She becomes entangled with a mysterious John Doe.

Pam Peirce pinpoints 50 often overlooked main plant species that effortlessly add dazzle to gardens throughout Northern California. These tough yet beautiful plants bloom yearlong and persevere in gardens despite neglect, drought, or frost. This book profiles these "regional survivors," spotlighting such plants as calla lilies, nasturtiums, cineraria, and more. A resource for all gardeners, it includes chapters on the history, climate, and care of plants, as well as weeds, annuals, perennials, bulbs, succulents/cactus, and shrubs. It also contains lists of other well-adapted plants beyond those in the 50 species profiled.

Teach your child to memorize an age old poem. It will be with her/him for life. My Grandfather taught it to my father in 1887 when he was 5. My Father taught it to me in 1940 when I was 5. I taught it to my children. Make a video of your child reciting the poem and upload it to YouTube. Let your child start a family tradition.

When entrepreneur Len Forkas learned that his nine-year-old son had leukemia, his own life changed forever. In 2003, Len founded Hopecam, a nonprofit that uses technology to connect young cancer patients with their friends at school. Ten years later, Len's fight against childhood cancer rose to a new level. He qualified as a solo competitor in Race Across America, a 3,000-mile bicycle race that traverses scorching deserts and 11,000-foot mountain elevations. As Len fought to finish the race in just 12 days, an all-volunteer crew supported him around the clock. What Spins the Wheel is a true story about fatherhood and fortitude, business grit and growth ? and the power of combining the right mission with the right team to help others.

Rice Cookbook: 50 Delicious of Rice Cookbook (Rice Recipes, Rice Flour Recipes, Rice Recipes Cookbook, Rice Recipes Cookbooks, Rice Recipes Book) Rice is a part of many traditional cuisines. It is used as a main dish as a side dish or as a decoration for food. People knew about rice a long time ago. It has been part of our meals for 5,000 years. The first information about rice was found in China about 2,800 BC. The rise has been a part of Chinese food tradition. Chinese legends provide information that rise is used so much in the Chinese cuisine thanks to the legendary Emperor of China Shennong who was also the inventor of Chinese agriculture. The rise was spread from East Asia to South Asia and after that in Europe. Also, it was introduced to Americans through the European colonization. Rice comes in many shapes, colors and sizes. There are several types of rice known worldwide. - Long Grain Brown Rice - Long grain rice has a long, slender kernel, four to five times longer than its width. Cooked grains are separate, light and fluffy. - Short Grain Brown Rice - Short grain rice has a short, plump, almost, round kernel. Cooked grains are soft and cling together. - Sweet Brown Rice - Sweet rice is short and

plump with a chalky white, opaque kernel. When cooked, sweet rice loses its shape and is very sticky. - Brown Basmati Rice - India is well known for its fragrant Basmati rice, another aromatic long grain rice with a distinct popcorn aroma. - Chinese Black Rice - Chinese Black Rice is a medium grain rice with white kernels inside the black bean. Cooked, it takes on a deep publishing color. Rice is definitely the food we should include in our diet. It is full with nutrients. This food is really good for us, because it is very healthy. Rice contains proteins, iron, B vitamins and folic acid. These nutrition give us a lot of energy and that is why we do not need extra snacks. It is also important to know that the brown rice is whole grain and the white is not. Most of us are aware that we do not get as much fiber as we should. That is why rice is a good choice for our next meal. Whole grains are the healthiest option because they retain all the nutrients from the grain and are high in fiber.

Complete instructions for growing over 190 vegetables, herbs, berries, fruits, nuts, and tropical fruits in the ground and in containers. Plans and design ideas for kitchen gardens of all sizes, as well as easy-to-follow guidelines for composting, building raised beds, and more. Growing season details for all regions of the West, including Alaska and Hawaii. Timely tips from edibles experts around the West-British Columbia to New Mexico. More than 300 pages of color photographs, practical advice, and inspiration from the editors of Sunset magazine, the West's authority on gardening.

He was famous for telling stories. He could always make the story interesting. He had a way of seeing the best or funniest of every situation. He wrote down over 180 of his best stories in his last few years for all his family and friends. You will laugh, and relate to the stories of childhood, school years, and growing up during the depression. From his northern New Jersey, small town home he shares what it was like growing up in the 20's and 30's. From logging to working with horses, the stories provide a great view of the life style from that time period.

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Get the bounty of a beautiful vegetable garden -- without a large space Grow your own food in a container garden, and have fun doing it! With this book, you will get all the tips you need to start a container garden in spaces of nearly any size -- and learn how to maintain the garden with very little work. This helpful Container Gardening guide starts with the background information you need to know about gardening, as well providing advice for the best vegetables to grow at home. As you continue along in the process, you will have lots of fun seeing the fruits of your labor. Beginning from helping you determine which containers are safe to use, to choosing the most suitable vegetables to grow, to feeding your plants for maximum growth, Container Gardening will walk you through it all, step by step. Take the hesitation and fear out of gardening; no matter where you live. Here's what you get inside the book: Choosing the Right Container for Your Vegetables 10 Things Every Container Gardener Should Know What Can Go Wrong & What You Should Do Some of the Best Vegetables to Begin With Proven Strategies to Deal with Pests What You Need to Know About Fertilizers Practical & Attractive Designs of Container Container Gardening: A Reliable Beginner's Guide to Successful Vegetable Growing is your solution for growing in small spaces."

Gardening. Environmental Studies. Photographs by Saxon Holt. Illustrations by Richard Pembroke. This lavishly illustrated book celebrates the challenges and opportunities of gardening in Mediterranean climates, with special reference to northern California's San Francisco Bay Region. The core of the book is a catalog of more than 650 plants suited to regions with mild, usually wet winters and dry, often hot summers. These plants thrive with moderate to no summer irrigation when established, require little or no maintenance, and are reasonably available from nurseries, botanic gardens, native plant sales, or specialty seed suppliers. Many of the 542 color photographs show plants in garden settings to suggest attractive and compatible plant combinations. Summary charts provide information on each plant, such as bloom time, needs for water and sun, and preferences for coastal or inland microclimates. Lists suggest plants for special situations, such as hot sites, dryish shade, small gardens, and clay soils. Chapters on landscape design and maintenance inspire readers to make gardens that use little water and no harmful chemicals, with a focus on building healthy soil. Practical steps to successful design are supplemented with ideas for designing with microclimate, attracting wildlife, and fire safety. Sidebars by local experts discuss weather, natural landscapes, design solutions, and gardening with recycled water. "A valuable resource for climate-compatible gardening in the San Francisco Bay Area that will also be of interest to gardeners in other parts of the world with a similar seasonal pattern of winter rain and dry summers. This book will occupy a prominent place in my library for many years to come."—Katherine Greenberg, president Mediterranean Garden Society "This book is beautifully designed with abundant photographs of plants, many in garden settings, and it is packed with the kind of information gardeners need for their own special situations. Simply stunning! Bravo!"—Phyllis M. Faber, editor University of California Press

Jonathan Bricklin's debut novel is astounding for its intellectual playfulness and verbal ingenuity, and for the exuberant voice of Willy Nilly, the young hero of this unexpected adventure.

Telepathy, Tetherball, Turtles, Politics, Pirates, Lemonade, Cryogenics, Waterslides and Holograms are some of the ingredients in this madcap frenzy of metaphorical escapism. If Raymond Chandler and Tom Robbins adopted a baby it might grow up to write a book like this.

In the follow-up to her bestselling memoir, *Dreamtime Alice*, Mandy Sayer tells the story of the ten years she and Yusef Komunyakaa spent together, first as lovers, then as husband and wife. Having survived the worst effects of the Civil War, the city of Memphis, battered but unbowed, finds itself facing a far more dangerous foe. It is invisible, lethal, and unstoppable: a plague of yellow fever. It is the story of JP Mahoney, 14-year-old farm boy who dreams of escape from tedious chores and farmlife routine. It is the story of a courageous young woman, Ginnie Moon, onetime Confederate spy, who now operates a boarding house for men who have survived the war. And it is the story of Kevin O'Boyle, an embittered riverfront laborer, who blames the world for his troubles, and finds the crippled city his perfect prey. Several characters in the novel are actual historical figures, most notably Ginnie Moon, Judge "Pappy" Hadden, and Cap'n Jim Lee. Their actions, and those of the other characters, are entirely fictional. The plague, one of several to hit the city in the years following the war, was all too real.

Thalia is dreaming of an extravagant 8th birthday party, but her parents say that they can't afford one this year. Can Thrifty Thelma persuade her little sister that being a smart shopper can actually be more fun than spending a lot of money?

Beloved perennial of the green-thumbed in the golden state, and now revised and sporting a gorgeous new cover, *Northern California Gardening* is a comprehensive, illustrated guide for both novice and expert gardeners. San Francisco Chronicle garden columnist Katherine Grace Endicott maps out the rewards of reaping what you sow from flowers and fruits to herbs and vegetables throughout Northern California. The unique month-by-month format helps readers find answers when they need them, while detailed information on

native and nonnative species and basic planting and pruning techniques make carefree gardening easier than ever. Add to that a completely new and updated source list, and finding just the right plants and seeds is as simple as watching them grow.

San Francisco Bay Area gardeners know that the region has its own unique rewards and challenges. The mild weather is ideal for year-round gardening, but chilly fogs, frequent droughts, heavy clay soil, and a host of microclimates can vex even the greenest of thumbs. Written by local master gardeners, this collection of articles addresses the subject of Bay Area gardening in a no-nonsense manner that places an emphasis on environmentally friendly solutions. The book covers important issues ranging from garden design and landscaping to improving soil and managing garden pests with minimal toxic chemicals. Topics include fire safe landscaping; planting under oaks and redwoods; drought tolerant plants; gardening for butterflies and songbirds; as well as individual garden species, including ferns, heucheras, fuchsias, and California native bulbs.

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A comprehensive reference and discussion about how to plan and develop landscape designs using native plants, with a focus on the northeastern counties of Pennsylvania. Covers 2,150 species of trees, shrubs and herbaceous perennials and annuals, 100 kinds of regional soils, and 135 ecological communities with detailed plant associations for each. Also included are the 540 protected plant species in Pennsylvania, invasive species of local concern, plant sources and additional resources for native plant enthusiasts.

"Adventures aboard ATR-3 in the English Channel 1944-1945, Utah Beach, Omaha Beach, Le Havre, Cherbourg and the sinking of the Leopoldville."--Back cover.

Self-seeding plants can create naturalistic gardens of great charm, but left to their own devices quickly spiral out of control. Maintaining the balance of plants so that a small number of robust species do not evict the others and developing the structure of the garden are important techniques to acquire. Taking inspiration from the gardens of Christopher Lloyd, Derek Jarman and Henk Gerritsen, Cultivating Chaos teaches how to prepare your soil for improved germination, guide your planting as it evolves, and create different ecological niches from which will emerge beautiful, species-rich gardens.

The Da Vinci Poems, the second book of poetry produced by artist and writer Anthony (Tony) Crisafulli, is inspired by the classic Italian fables that can be found scribed throughout Da Vinci's famous notebooks. I had been doing research on Da Vinci's Last Supper when I came across some fables in his notebooks. They were delightful but surprisingly dark parables that seemed to speak directly to the Renaissance as well as to the present time. They were truly amazing and showed a dimension of Da Vinci that I had never known before. So when I finished writing my last book, I decided to do something with them; firstly because they captivated me and secondly because my children so enjoyed them. My first attempt at translating Da Vinci's stories was an utter failure. This was not because my translation was bad or the stories uninteresting in English, but rather they textually lacked the flow and surprise that Italian is so adept at communicating. Over the next few weeks, I lived with the texts that would not seem to let me be. One day, without thinking, I began to see them in verse. Instantly, I was pleased. Shortly after, I shared some of the poems with my publisher and he encouraged me to continue on and turn the collection into a book. A writer always has at least one audience in mind when creating a work for the public eye. I had two. The first audience was children. Not typical children, but the sort that find pleasure in reading deeper into a story -- those who seek to discover the hidden references and the second meaning that peaks out from behind the curtain of symbols and solitude. The other audience was my colleagues who are artists and poets. This is my gift to them for all the inspiration their work and friendship has provided me.

There is a serious problem with our modern fruits and vegetables! The produce we feed our family members is far less healthy now than at any other time in human history! Does that statement bother you? It should! How and why did this happen? What can we do about it? Most importantly, how can you ensure that you are feeding your family the most healthy, most nutritious fruits and vegetables possible? If you are going to grow a tomato in your garden anyway why not grow the healthiest, most phytonutrient-rich tomato packed with the most lycopene and antioxidants possible? Are you planning to grow lettuce? Why not grow the lettuce that packs the most nutrition into every leaf? These simple questions are at the very heart of the author's concept of "Phytonutrient Gardening." In this first book in a series of three, Joe Urbach, creator and publisher of the popular website www.GardeningAustin.com and creator of The Phytonutrient Blog answers those questions and more while providing gardeners with a wealth of information including which specific varieties of your favorites to grow to get the biggest nutritional bang for your gardening buck! Filled with fascinating details about the state of modern produce and backed by state-of-the-art research and scientific testing, this useful book will change your life by changing how you look at produce. Read just a few pages and you will change the way you garden, the way you buy groceries, the way you store your produce and even the way you cook your meals! Changes all for the better! Leading to a healthier, more active and longer life!

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