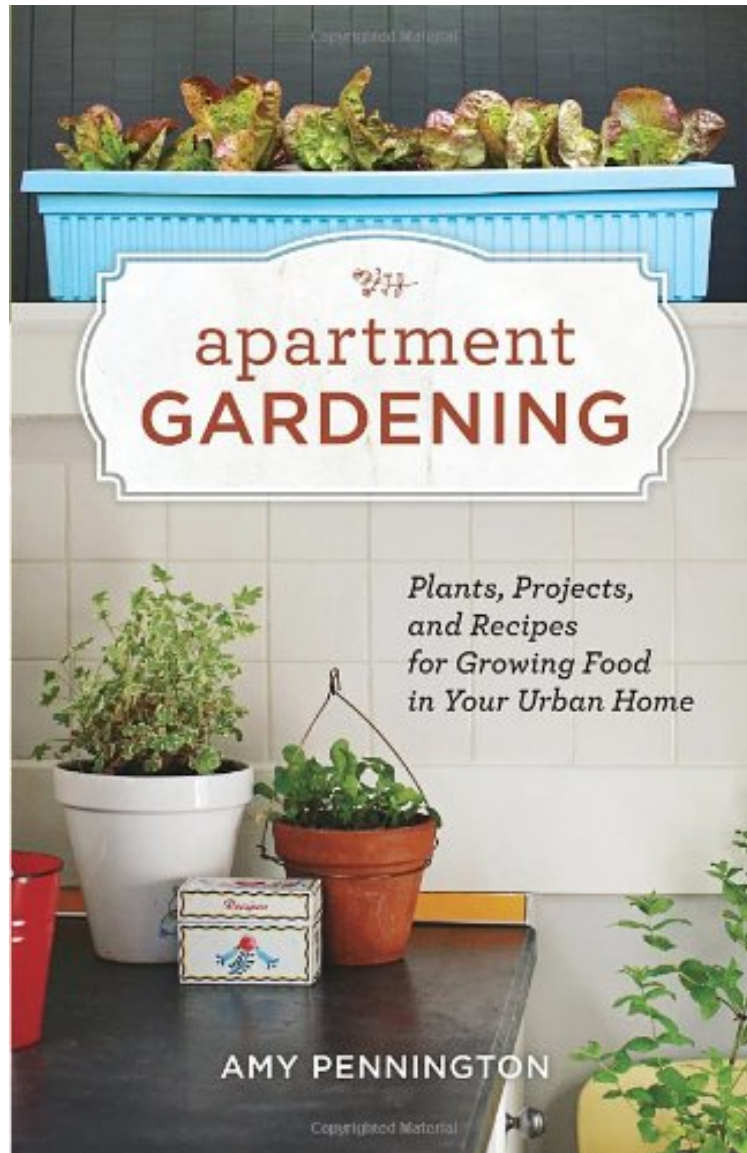


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Forget the 100-mile eat-local diet; try the 300-square-foot-diet grow squash on the windowsill, flowers in the planter box, or corn in a parking strip. Apartment Gardening details how to start a garden in the heart of the city. From building a window box to planting seeds in jars on the counter, every space is plantable, and this book reveals that the DIY future is now by providing hands-on, accessible advice. Amy Pennington's friendly voice paired with Kate Bingham-Burt's crafty illustrations make greener living an accessible reality, even if readers have only a few hundred square feet and two windowsills. Save money by planting the same things available at the grocery store, and create an eccentric garden right in the heart of any living space.

"A favorite cookbook author, Amy Pennington has written an incredibly handy manual full of information on how to grow plants in small spaces. The book is full of wonderful tips, recipes and information on all the best things to grow in your home." *GOOP* "So you think you can't garden because you live in a small apartment? Nonsense. The author has ideas for gathering supplies, growing herbs, edible blossoms, home pickling, planting, growing lettuce, seed starting and tons of recipes all of which can be achieved in the smallest of flats. She even has a chapter devoted to making your own organic beauty products." *Kinfolk* "Amy Pennington, author of *Apartment Gardening*, is our windowsill guru. This spring, we're sowing what she's sowing. (Named one of *Bon Appetit's* 2012 Tastemakers: "the visionaries who are making our lives so delicious.") *Bon Appetit* "In the book '*Apartment Gardening: Plants, Projects and Recipes for Growing Food in Your Urban Home*' (Sasquatch Books, 2011, \$18.95), Amy Pennington offers useful information for those who live in apartments, have a small parcel of land, or a deck large enough to accommodate big pots and window-box planters." *The Washington Post* "In both her latest book, '*Apartment Gardening*,' and '*City Dirt*,' the biweekly column she recently started writing for the website *Food52*, Ms. Pennington shares her know-how with metropolitan types everywhere. She applies the same principles of wasting nothing and maximizing space to home cooking. Visit her streamlined one-bedroom apartment, and you'll see her template for sustainable living and perfectly stocked cupboards." *The Wall Street Journal* "The ever-resourceful Pennington chronicles her food-centric take on city living in '*Apartment Gardening: Plants, Projects, and Recipes for Growing Food in Your Urban Home*'... As adept as Pennington is at figuring out how to grow the most food in the smallest space in the shortest amount of time, she's equally skilled at suggesting what to do with it. She details not only how to plant directly into a sack of soil and build your own deck-sized worm bin but also how to blend thyme lip balm and whip up a killer chocolate lavender tart. The book's tone is chatty and encouraging..." *The Seattle Times* "Amy's straightforward conversational style makes both books [*Apartment Gardening*' and her first book, *Urban Pantry*] seem as if you're getting great advice from a smart, savvy friend." *Al Dente* "This book arrived on my desk a few months ago, and it's been a real joy to read and reference. It's full of great tips, recipes, and DIY guides, like how to build your own planter box, grow lettuce in recycled containers, keep bees on your patio, and infuse spirits with herbs grown right in your kitchen. Cute illustrations, too!" *Apartment Therapy Re-Nest, Daily Find* "One of the 11 Sexiest Food Peeps of '11" *Seattleite Apartment Gardening* is a great book for new gardeners living in the urban jungle or for experienced gardeners who find themselves with limited garden space and the desire (or need!) to grow a garden. *New York Botanical Gardens Blog* About the Author Amy Pennington is a gardener, writer, and girl-about-town. She runs her own gardening

business called Go Go Green Garden, which helps start, revive, and perfect vegetable gardens. She lives in Seattle. Kate Bingaman-Burt is a nationally renowned illustra