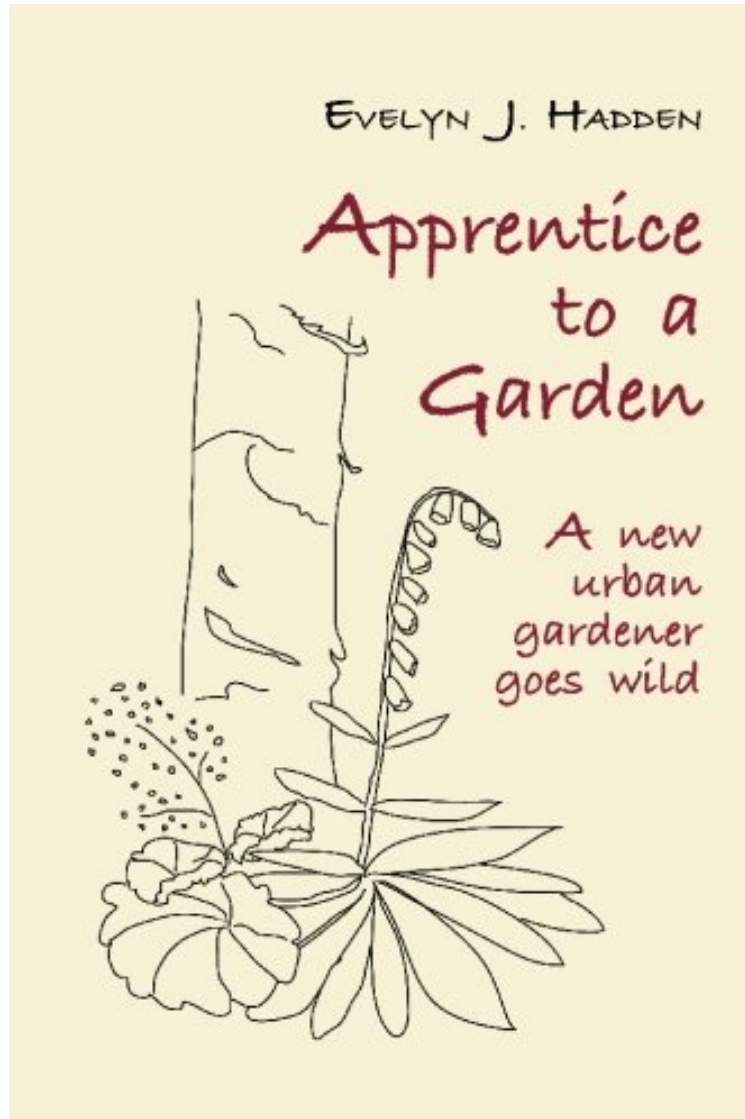


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From the AuthorHi, I'm Evelyn Hadden, and I've been writing about gardens since 2001. The garden in this book started it all; it taught me so much, made me feel and think so much, that I had to capture some of that powerful connection in words. My path as a gardener wasn't always easy or fun. The learning curve was steep, the neighbors doubtful, and of course Nature had its own plan for my property. But somehow my back stood up to hauling all those rocks and large woody plants. My patience stood up to weeding every last unwanted seedling (except those that piqued my curiosity). And after we built the fence, I spent many hours relaxing in the garden---or prowling with Alex the cat---watching things happen right in front of me. What was happening? Life. I hope you will find *Apprentice to a Garden* to be as enjoyable as a long letter from a friend who happens to like gardening. A lot. Happy reading!

From the Back CoverAward-winning author Evelyn Hadden began gardening as a new homeowner in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Desperate for a daily dose of nature, she gradually transformed her urban lawn into a lively no-mow paradise. *Apprentice to a Garden* chronicles four years of adventures and aha moments in Hadden's first garden, which she fills with hundreds of plants, rock paths and patios, and home-made wooden structures. As the street recedes from view, flora and fauna become the focus. Garden rooms take shape. That mysterious bond between gardener and site evolves. Part essay and part memoir, this beginner's journey of awe, despair, and hilarity will bring back memories for experienced gardeners wherever they live and smooth the way for those just starting down their own garden paths. The illustrated 2nd edition includes 19 whimsical sketches drawn from old photos of the garden by artist Shari Zimmermann.

About the AuthorEvelyn Hadden writes and speaks about nature-friendly, soul-satisfying landscapes. Her newest book *Hellstrip Gardening* (Timber Press, May 2014) is the first book to tackle the most challenging of all spaces, that strip of land between the sidewalk and the street. Her groundbreaking book *Beautiful No-Mow Yards* (Timber Press, 2012) offers the ultimate guide to shrinking your lawn, with inspiring photos showcasing lawnless gardens in a variety of sizes and styles. The updated and illustrated edition of her garden memoir, *Apprentice to a Garden*, won gold medals in the 2012 eLit Book Awards and the 2013 Global Ebook Awards. It chronicles the joys, challenges, and life lessons of transforming her first urban yard into a naturalistic landscape. Photo-rich *Shrink Your Lawn: Design ideas for any landscape* presents many ideas and illustrations from her talks and won a silver medal from Independent Publisher's 2009 Living Now Book Awards. Evelyn founded the informational website *LessLawn* and is a partner at the provocative team blog *Garden Rant* as well as a founding member of the national *Lawn Reform Coalition*. For more information, visit evelynhadden.com.