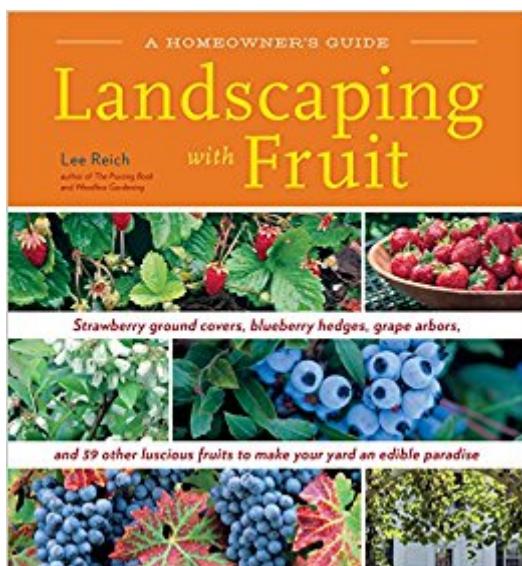


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# Landscaping With Fruit: Strawberry Ground Covers, Blueberry Hedges, Grape Arbors, And 39 Other Luscious Fruits To Make Your Yard An Edible Paradise. (A Homeowners Guide)



## **Synopsis**

Discover the joy of homegrown apples, fresh-picked cherries, and dozens of other fruits with this definitive guide to creating a more delicious backyard! Lee Reich shows you how to grow temperate-zone fruit at home, from site analysis and climate assessment through plant selection, pest control, pruning, and harvesting. A plant-by-plant guide recommends 39 palate-pleasing species that are especially well-suited to the home landscape. Add beauty to your outdoor space while bringing organic fruit to your table.Â  Â

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## **Customer Reviews**

Dr. Lee Reich dove into gardening with one foot in academia as an agricultural scientist with the USDA and Cornell University. He is an author, consultant, speaker, and columnist for theÂ  Â Associated Press. His goal is to get more people to grow more food sustainably and organically.

Great book to get you interested in using fruit as part of an edible landscape. If you are already growing vegetables at home and want to invest in fruiting shrubs, vines, trees or groundcovers, this is a good resource. This is the book that got me interested in using fruit in the landscape, and there are a lot of plants he describes that I had never considered. I've since planted blueberry, blackberry, strawberry, and serviceberry, and hope to add some hardy kiwi in the future. He using a rating

system that is subjective, but seems to work well. It is helpful in deciding between plants if you have limited space.

With the rising cost of food, most especially fruits, and having trouble finding organics I will be planting an edible paradise on my property. This book is one of the best I've read on fruit. While not every type of fruit is covered I was introduced to a few varieties I had not heard of before. Where this book is ahead of the others is that it is easy to read, has everything broken down by not only climate but how much you can expect to harvest and the pros and cons of each variety for each plant. Space requirements, how to train or prune and when and how to harvest are all there in nice big print.

What a wonderful book to read! He not only covers the basics of how to integrate fruits into the landscape, but also has a specific information about each plant. He list two different heat/cold zone maps and his own index about how difficult a given plant is to grow. I have read two of his other books and was worried that this would just be a remix of them, but I was pleasantly surprised at how well it was written and the new information he gives. It is a joy to read and a bargain for the years of trial and error he will save us all as we plant fruit trees.

This might not be fair but I was really interested in blackberries and raspberries naturalized in the landscape. Blackberries are covered, barely adequately. But, raspberries are not even mentioned except for a description below one photo of a black raspberry. No discussion of the suitability of raspberries at all, or lack thereof. Unfortunately, that was the info I was searching for and didn't find. Other than that, it is a nicely done volume. The coverage of other fruits is adequate but I would say the book concentrates more on the general landscape plan and the place of fruits and berries within it.

I bought this more because of the author than the information. It is, however, good information. He is very knowledgeable and complete without overwhelming me with his suggestions.

I live on 4 acres of land and it is not landscaped at all. This book gives some wonderful ideas of using food bearing trees, shrubs and such as your landscaping. The best part - it can look beautiful! In these hard economic times where food prices are going up I am trying to find ways to become more self sufficient and make my home a haven. This book does that so I am giving it 5 stars!

This book has many terrific ideas on how to integrate fruit trees, shrubs, etc into one's landscape. It's a treasure-trove of useful information that I've found to be extremely useful in planning the layout of our land. Kudos to Lee Reich for pulling this all together in one book!

A fantastic book for anyone wanting to design an edible yard !

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