

How to Create a New Vegetable Garden

Producing a beautiful and fruitful garden from scratch

Charles Dowding

Endorsements

"If this doesn't encourage more of us to turn our gardens into beautiful and productive spaces, I don't know what will" **Anne Swithinbank, broadcaster & gardening writer**

"How to clear weeds and grow great plants: Charles explains from a wealth of experience." **Sarah Raven, garden writer and journalist**

Key Selling Points:

- Charles is known as the guru of no-dig gardening.
- He appears regularly on Gardener's World and writes for *Kitchen Garden*, *Country Smallholding*, *Permaculture*, *Grow Your Own*, and *The Daily Telegraph*
- A clear, practical guide on how to start a new vegetable garden

Description

Charles Dowding draws on his years of experience, to show how easy it is to start a new vegetable garden. Any plot – whether a building site, overgrown with weeds or unwanted lawn – can be turned into a beautiful and productive vegetable area. Charles's no-nonsense and straightforward advice is the perfect starting point for the beginner or experienced gardener.

It is filled with the labour-saving ideas and techniques that Charles uses to garden so successfully, and is illustrated throughout with photos and tales from Charles's first year in his new vegetable garden.

Audience

This book is perfect for anyone who wants to start a new vegetable garden, whether they are new or experienced gardeners. It is ideal for people who like:

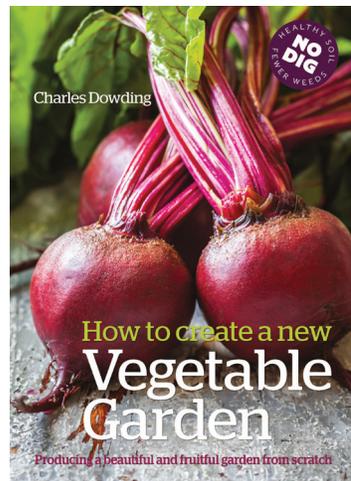
- *Organic Gardening*, Charles Dowding
- *How to Grow Perennial Vegetables*, Martin Crawford
- *The Complete Gardener*, Monty Don

Contents

- Starting points
- Beauty in the food garden
- The setting
- Two stages of clearing ground
- Mulch - what, why, how?
- Comparing techniques
- Raising plants
- Early sowings and plantings
- Polytunnels and greenhouses
- Annual veg: a season of harvests
- Perennial vegetables

The Author:

Charles Dowding is an organic grower who has written several books on vegetable gardening. He contributes articles to *Gardeners' World*, *Gardens Illustrated* and *Grow It!*, and gives regular talks and courses. He is an internationally recognised organic gardening expert and the leading authority on the 'no-dig'/'no-till' method. He appears regularly on radio and television, including BBC Radio 4's *The Long View* and BBC's *Gardeners' World*.



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