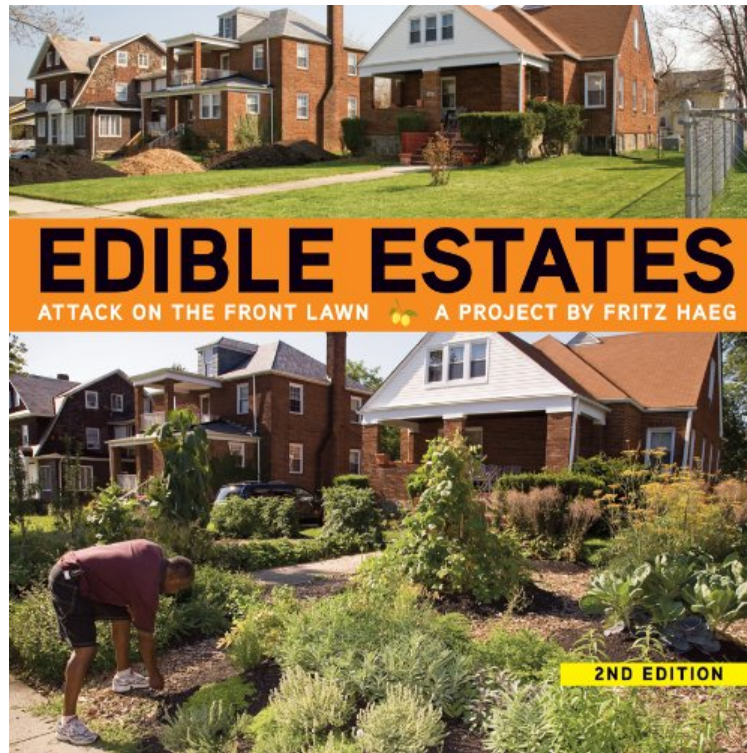


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28 of 29 people found the following review helpful. nice pictures, little elseBy pandajamaI'm very much on board with the program and have a considerable garden in my front yard -- even though it could be in the back. I am growing peppers, eggplants, tomatoes, cucumbers, beans, sunflowers, melons, squash, and herbs in my front yard on both sides of the sidewalk and in front of my house. It's a big deal. So count me in as a true believer. But this is a picture book, and it seemed like it was little more than a stunt. Dull lawns became transformed into massive, gorgeous gardens with the flip of a page. The pictures were inspiring and beautiful. But most gardens in most parts of North America look pretty shabby much of the year. And producing the kinds of gardens in this book in a single season must have been a tremendously labor- and cost-intensive project. I was hoping for a bit more how-to for the person who may not have a landscaping team with a backhoe and unlimited access to productive soil. How to design a garden to look okay in the off-season, how to take advantage of certain kinds of plants for certain kinds of nooks and crannies, how to transform a lawn into produce at the scale of time/effort/money that the average person can afford. How to think about runoff. How to start. This book is inspirational, but I fear those beautiful yards will cause a lot of disappointment come

October, and I wonder how many of those gardens will still be around and that productive a few years from now. I hope I'm wrong but I suspect: not many. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Edible Estates By Robert W. Myers This is a well organized book. Very well done, however I was a bit disappointed that there was not a project in the South East. We live in South Carolina and there was no demonstration project nearby. The concepts were very well developed and presented. Kudos for the photography which was excellent. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. inspiring By William Moll This should inspire you to do something yourself in your neighborhood. Most of the book is case histories of lawns converted to edible landscaping, usually written by the homeowner who did it. The examples cover a wide range of options. The concept of a garden as installation art was new to me.

Since the first edition of *Edible Estates: Attack on the Front Lawn* was published in 2008, interest in edible gardening has exploded across the United States and abroad. Even First Lady Michelle Obama is doing it! This greatly expanded second edition of the book documents the eight Edible Estates regional prototype gardens that author Fritz Haeg has planted in California, Kansas, Texas, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and England, and includes personal accounts from the homeowner-gardeners about the pleasures and challenges of publicly growing food where they live. Ten Reports from Coast to Coast tell the stories of others who have planted their own edible front yards in towns and cities across the country. In addition to essays by renowned landscape architect and scholar Diana Balmori, edible-landscaping pioneer Rosalind Creasy, bestselling author and sustainable-food advocate Michael Pollan and artist and writer Lesley Stern, this edition features updated text by Haeg (including his observations on the Obama White House vegetable garden); a contribution from Mannhatta author Eric W. Sanderson; and Growing Power founder, MacArthur Fellow and urban farmer Will Allen's never-before-published Declaration of the Good Food Revolution. This is not a comprehensive how-to book, nor a showcase of impossibly perfect gardens. The stories presented here are intended to reveal something about how we are living today and to inspire readers to plant their own versions of an Edible Estate. If we see that our neighbor's typical grassy lawn instead can be a beautiful food garden, perhaps we will begin to look at the city around us with new eyes. Our private land can be a public model for the world in which we would like to live.