

Books for the Gardener and Thinker

As we become more aware of our environment and our impact upon it, it's important to learn as much as we can. When we listen to all of those around us, we can begin to shape ideas that can protect the life of our planet so that it remains both viable and sustainable for all future generations. In that spirit, we are sharing this wonderful treasure trove of books on the subject.

Want to add a book to this list? Let us know.

On Gardening with Nature*

Gaia's Garden by Toby Hemenway

A Guide to Home Scale Permaculture (Ecological Design)

Four Season Harvest by Eliot Coleman

Organic Vegetables for the home garden all year round

Weedless Gardening by Lee Reich

A practical guide to weedless gardening & drip irrigation

Introduction to Permaculture by Bill Mollison

The original textbook for doing Permaculture with great ideas & illustrations

Noah's Garden by Sara Stein

Restoring the ecology of our own back yards

On Thinking with Nature*

Silent Spring by Rachel Carson

The 1962 book that awakened us to plight of unrestricted growth and "progress"

The Unsettling of America: Culture and Agriculture by Wendell Berry

A classic & prophetic set of essays on American culture

The Great Work: Our Way into the Future by Thomas Berry

A Greensboro native & global thinker shows us a way

Ishmael: An Adventure of Mind and Spirit by Daniel Quinn

A gorilla, Ishmael, teaches his human student to see things rightly

The Sacred Balance: Rediscovering Our Place in Nature by David Suzuki

Science & ethics work together.

The Ecology of Commerce: A Declaration of Sustainability by Paul Hawken

Doing business as if the earth mattered

Affluenza: The All-Consuming Epidemic by John De Graaf, David Wann, Thomas Naylor
Living simply

Eat Here: Reclaiming Homegrown Pleasures in a Global Supermarket by Biran Halwell

The Botany of Desire: A Plant's-eye View of the World by Michael Pollan

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