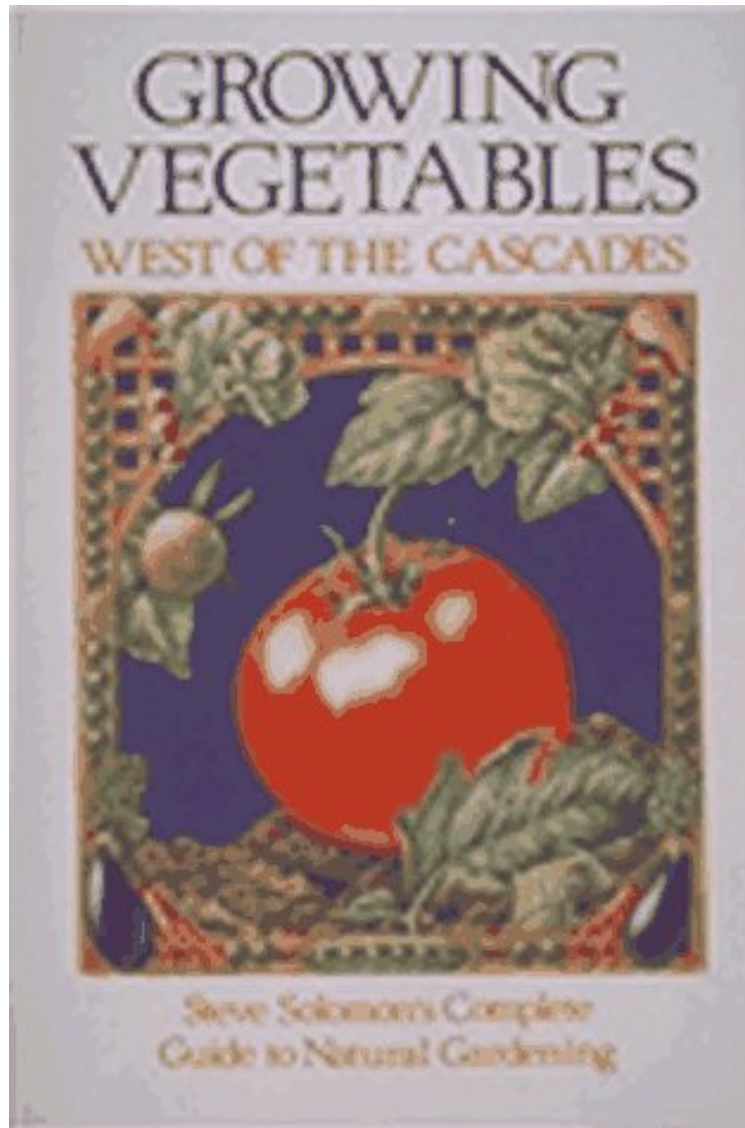


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Here's the book with everything you need to know about growing vegetables in the mild, wet climate of the maritime Pacific Northwest. Growing Vegetables West of the Cascades explains the basic science behind making plants grow, so that you can understand the daily events in your garden and solve gardening problems as they occur.