



## Corn in abundance!!!

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This is the first year I have a successful corn harvesting. I had some issues at first with deer, but I fixed that with netting fence around the back of the cornfield. We have a solar unit that we bought from Australia that puts out a high pitch (ultrasonic waves) to deter animals from entering the garden area. Only they can hear the sound. I usually grow everything organic. I planted my corn in 4 rows around 20 feet in good soil. I put it some 10 10 10 this year and spread straw all around the corn after it came up where I could see it. I just hoed around it until then. Then after 2 weeks I planted 2 more rows. That was in April, and July 1 Yesterday, I harvested about 100 ears. What I noticed was there were no worms or bugs in the corn. I usually have some. Then I remembered when they were getting ready to form the ears, I sprayed on the ground a mixture of 2 Tbls. Dawn dishwashing liquid to a gallon of water all around the corn. I even sprayed some on top of the corn. I thinking that stopped the worms from crawling up the stalks and then again from entering the husks. I still have a lot to harvest, but I am so thankful for the harvest. I put up 9 quarts and we have had corn 3 nights a week. Also a great recipe for herbed butter is this. Chop up a bunch of fresh parsley and basil and garlic, and add to butter in small pot and cook on low until flavors blend and butter melts. Then brush on corn and Wha La. You will love this. Thanks for letting me share.

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