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Planning and Planting Your Spring Garden

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Now that the fun and excitement of Christmas is over, New Year?s has come and gone and life is getting back to whatever consists of normal for you and your family, it?s time to dig into that stack of garden seed catalogs and start planning the eternally anticipated Spring garden. After spending a little time in those heirloom seed catalogs- and realizing that you want to plant one of everything- the realization sinks in that this could be some work, and that?s before the real work of actually digging in the garden even begins!

What to plant, how to plant, when to plant, what will grow for me, should I start my heirloom tomatoes from seed or just buy starts, what do I need to do for my soil, and what exactly is succession planting are all questions that crop up and need answers. All of a sudden, a garden seems pretty intimidating, definitely not for amateurs and something that might be best left to the experts. Well guess what? Everyone was an amateur at some point, starting out with not much knowledge and needing some help. It is easier to start your home garden today than in any other time in history, as there are mountains of information and education out there and it is all pretty easy to find. The Internet is full of good gardening advice in many areas. What we will look at today are some points to consider about your home garden, we?ll do some initial planning and pass along some tools that will be very helpful in building your toolbox of gardening knowledge and problem solving. Let?s get started!

Read the rest of "Planning and Planting Your Spring Garden [1]".

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