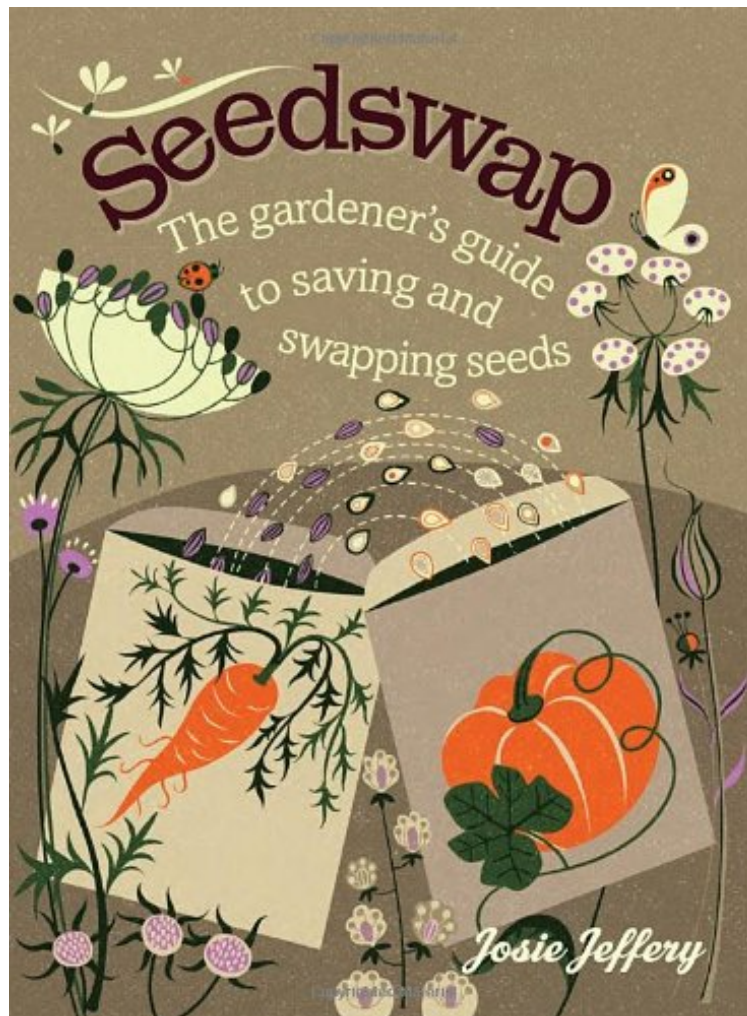


Seedswap: The Gardener's Guide to Saving and Swapping Seeds

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Josie Jeffery : Seedswap: The Gardener's Guide to Saving and Swapping Seeds before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Seedswap: The Gardener's Guide to Saving and Swapping Seeds:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Seed Savers Delight!By Nathan BalesThis book is perfect for people interested in saving seeds! It is clearly written easy-to-understand and has lots of suggestions.2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Informative, but lacks the basicsBy kazperI borrowed this book hoping to learn a thing or two about how to save seeds. The author goes into great detail about the history of seed saving and seed exchanges. Neither was all that helpful. She next moved on to tips for starting plants from seeds, probably the most helpful section of the book, IMO. It ends with her describing how to collect seeds from various plants and vegetables. This does not translate well verbatim. Pictures would have been a huge help. Even though I read the book, I don't feel as though I

could save any more seeds than I could before. In this respect the book definitely failed. Maybe it is geared towards a more experienced audience, because it did not translate the basics very well at all. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I have given away seeds and plants and made some people happy and so I have received also. By Renetta good story line but only fair writing technique. This book started me on a quest to buy and swap seeds locally instead of using the big store to get my seeds. I have given away seeds and plants and made some people happy and so I have received also. Made some new gardening friends. No so sure it was a well written book but it was successful in spreading an idea.

An illustrated introduction to saving seeds, how to harvest seeds from your own garden, set up a seed library to share with your community, and grow plants from your own seed stash. With a directory of plants and easy-to-follow instructions, this is the perfect book for first-time gardeners. In an exciting introduction to the global seed-swapping movement, passionate seed activist Josie Jeffery explores why we should care about our plant heritage and, most importantly, explains how to do it. With an invaluable directory of all the best seeds to swap and save, Seedswap provides all the tools you need to start your very own growing revolution. This book covers the what, who, and why of seed swapping and seed saving. It advises where to start and how to get involved with the worldwide horticultural campaign to "save our seeds." The work of seed activist individuals and groups is highlighted with inspirational tips and tales, and there is insight into the practices of major seed companies and how this has affected seed diversity, as well as how "seed breeding" affects the future of plants. The work of seed collections and seed banks is explored, and advice is given on how to collect, clean, store, preserve, and raise seeds. The second part of the book contains an extensive plant directory, which is full of advice on how to grow plants from "seed to seed."

"There is nothing more important in our times than saving seeds and swapping seeds. We are faced with a seed emergency caused by rapid disappearance of seed diversity; the replacement of renewable seeds with nonrenewable, patented seeds; and the perverse idea that seed saving and seed sharing is an 'intellectual property crime.' Seedswap will help spread the seeds of freedom." Dr. Vandana Shiva, seed activist and founder of Navdanya International

About the Author JOSIE JEFFERY is a keen horticulturalist, seed activist, and grassroots gardener. She studied horticulture and garden design in Brighton, where since 2009 she's also run a successful business, SeedFreedom. Josie is the author of Seedbombs: Going Wild with Flowers (Ivy Press, 2011) and Good Companions: The Mix Match Guide to Companion Planting (Ivy Press, 2012).