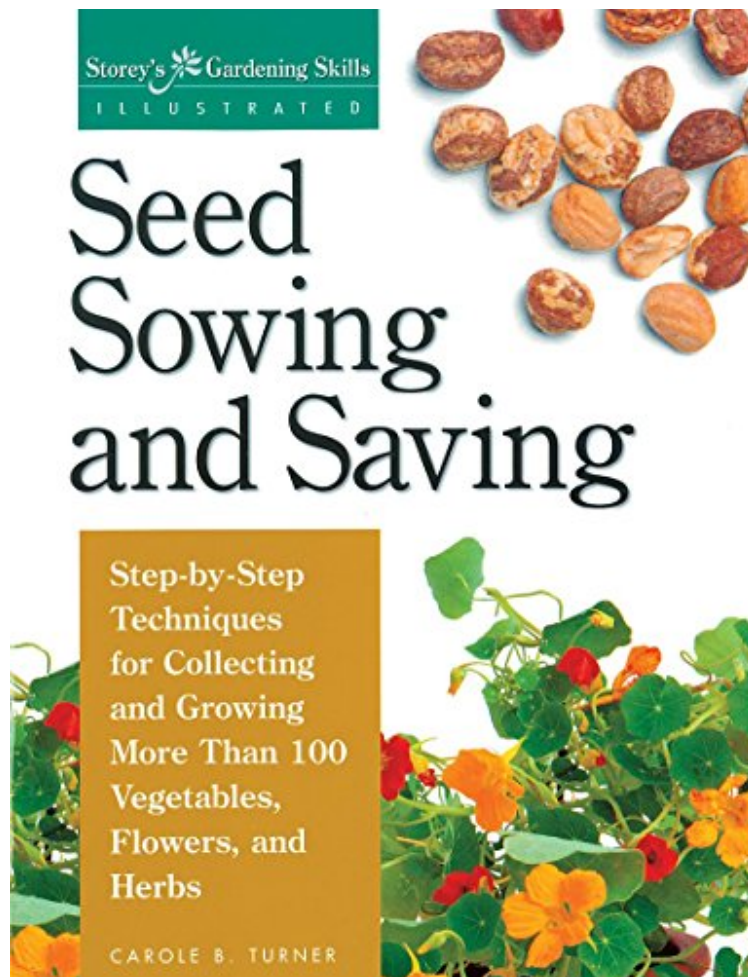


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describing seed preservation want you to put the seeds into water and allow the viable seed to drop to bottom and the "bad" seed to float to the top, okay no problem...but then she fails to tell you how long that can take...even a ballpark estimate. She just says to stir the water so mold doesn't form...so I am assuming that would mean on a daily basis? For how many days? Do all the viable seeds drop to the bottom of the bowl at once and then it's time to drain? Does it happen over the course of several days? Then there are areas of the book that describe the seed saving techniques very thoroughly. Another smaller issue I had was just wishing there was more on herbs. The only herb she discussed was parsley, and on that one she says that you are not supposed to save seed from the first year you grow it...but no real information that I could see as to why. So I guess the bottom line for me is that I'm going to have to purchase another book to cross reference with this one because I just don't feel it was as thorough as it should have or could have been, especially for a 14 dollar PAPERback book. I would say it's worthy of about half of that price. There is definitely useful information in it...it just isn't as complete as I would have hoped. I think I'll be purchasing the Seed to Seed book next...1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Very good, complete informationBy Charles QuinlanJust what I needed: Specifics on dozens of plants. Not just general information, but rather very clear and complete information on germination, preserving seeds, and tips on growing vegetables, herbs, and flowers.19 of 19 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful book, very useful!By P. CallawayI wrote a talk on seed saving for my garden club and this is the book I referred to the most! It has informative diagrams with closeups of what the seeds look like, and it actually tells you how to separate the seeds from the chaff, and has a chart of what kind of storage conditions each seed likes. I also used it in the spring to start seeds for the very first time - it was a real life saver for those of us who don't know what we're doing! I didn't know some seeds had to be cooled first, or scarified, or how to do it, and this book shows you how. This book covers the most common vegetables and flowers that are propagated by seeds - practically everything I was growing!

Use seeds from this years crop to grow your favorite vegetables, herbs, and flowers again next spring. Carolyn B. Turner shows you everything you need to know to harvest, dry, store, and sow seeds from more than 100 common garden plants, providing helpful tips on appropriately preparing your soil, testing seeds for viability, tending for your seedlings, and more. You'll discover that growing your own seeds is a fun and inexpensive way to enjoy beautiful and thriving gardens year after year!

Turner demystifies the techniques of seed saving for modern gardeners in this practical guideReader-friendly prose, illustrative line drawings and master gardening tips will likely embolden even the most hesitant gardener to embark on a seed-saving adventure. Publishers Weekly Everything you wanted to know about saving flower and vegetable seeds but were afraid to ask. Newark Star-Ledger Turners guide is chock-full of advice on how to harvest and store seeds from more than 100 common vegetables, annuals, perennials, herbs, and wildflowers. Tulsa World A practical book for the gardener interested in a more active role in the adventure of gardening. The Herb Companion