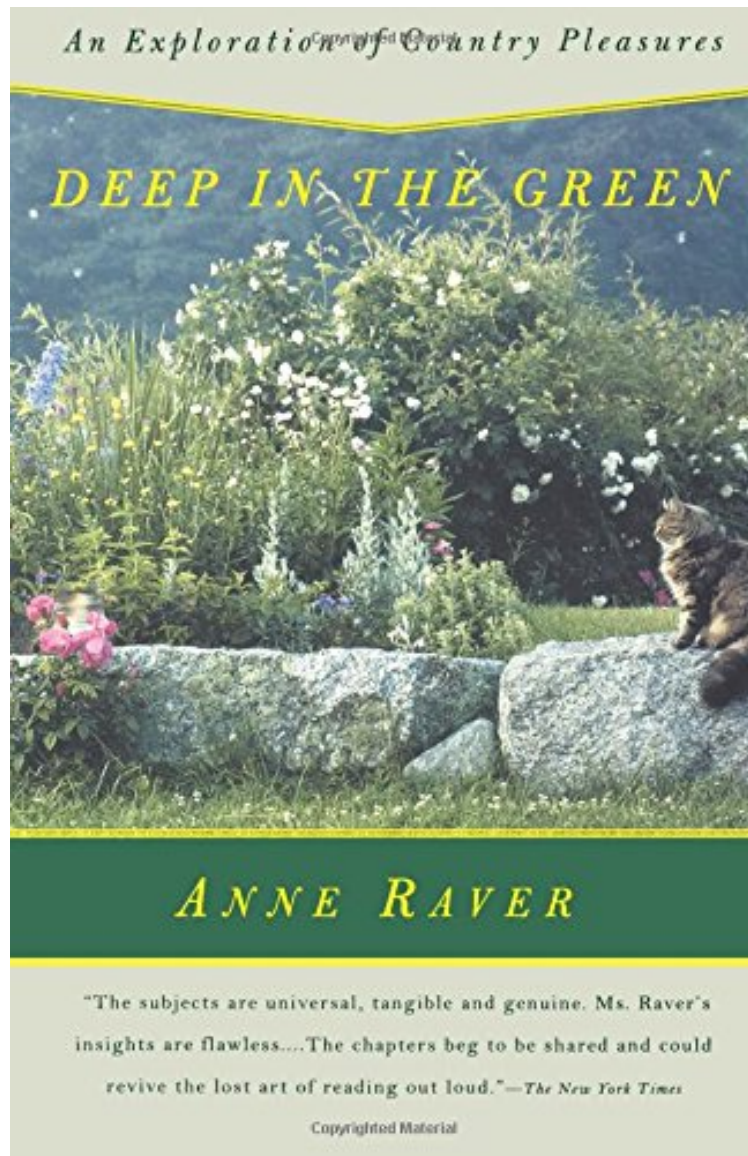


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Into the GreenBy Evelyn GordonI borrowed this book from the library a few times and enjoyed reading it so much that I wanted to add it to my own collection. If you like reading

gardening essays you will like this book. Its not full of gardening how-tos, or tips - its more about relationships, life, growing up and growing older, love, loss, curiosity...with the garden as a reflection and a constant throughout.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. The Garden as a DoorBy Jena BallWelcome to the world of Anne Raver as seen through her garden. Here you will meet her loveable old dog Molly, "a twelve -year-old Saint Bernard squished into a setter's body with some collie thrown in," and Mr. Grey a long-haired feline acrobat that endears himself to both Molly and the author despite all their efforts to dislike him. Here too you learn about Raver herself as she plots and plans her gardens, agonizes about a move to a new house, struggles with insects and pesticides, life in the city versus the pull of her country roots, and her conflicted if loving relationship with her parents. Raver's interests, even with gardening as a base, are eclectic and far ranging. In one essay she waxes eloquent, though tongue in cheek, about breaking the law by growing poppies. In another she tells how she came to discover that cricket manure is a great fertilizer. In a third she tells of her triumph over a paralyzing fear of climbing ladders. All in all it's a wonderful stroll through one woman's life with plenty of amusing observation and touching insight thrown in. My one complaint was that the length of the essays (they are reprints of articles Raver wrote for The New York Times) often means that the reader is left wanting to know more, to hear how a story ended, how a problem was resolved, whether or not Raver ever finds a man she can co-habitat with, what finally happens to the old family homestead. While I realize this is a limitation of the genre, I am hoping that Raver will eventually sit down and write a non-stop tale of her rich and varied life. Otherwise this is a wonderful, uplifting read.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Anne's Green WorldBy Sylvia CarterAnne Raver takes readers into her garden and her life in graceful, profound writing. Disclosure: She is a friend, but I would feel this way if she were not. This is a wonderful gift choice for anyone who gardens, or anyone who values beautiful writing.

As gardening columnist for the New York Times, Anne Raver is one of our foremost authorities on making things grow. Even non-gardeners will find this book of essays a source of profound pleasure, for Raver is a writer who transcends her subject even as she illuminates it, writing with such passion, wisdom and stylishness that her book will enchant anyone who reads it.

From Publishers WeeklyShe may have dirt under her fingernails, but New York Times gardening columnist Raver writes with the pen of an angel. In prose marked by eloquence, humor and generosity of spirit, she opens her garden?and her heart?and invites readers to share her enthusiasms and knowledge. The 58 essays here, her first collection, cover such subjects as earthworms, cricket manure and Latin nomenclature; push mowers and the virtues of humble peas (whose habit of enriching the soil with nitrogen makes them "like the perfect house guests?who always leave gifts after their stay"). Often hilarious, as in the discourse on an unguent created for cows' udders that doubles handily as a face cream, her reflections become poignant when matters of the garden lead to musings on such larger life issues as a parent's aging or the loss of a beloved pet. Although Raver's garden writing is both informed and practical, it's her glorious digressions that readers will most relish?her passion for the obsession called gardening?and the opportunity to visit over the back fence with a kindred spirit. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Library JournalIn this collection of brief essays on nature, life, and occasionally gardening, the garden columnist of the New York Times ranges widely, musing on the life of the sea turtle and the dangers of chemical pest control, how weeding the vegetable patch can lead to planning a rose arbor, and the satisfaction of mowing a lawn with a hand mower. Many essays are autobiographical, ranging in setting from Long Island to Brooklyn to the family farm in Maryland as Raver explores the challenge of gardening wherever she lives with her dog, Molly, and her cat, Mrs. Grey. Raver is at her best when she describes how, against her principles, she used chemical sprays on her father's roses in order to bring blooms to his hospital bedside. For all whose minds roam while they are on their knees in the garden. Molly Newling, Piscataway P.L., N.J. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. From BooklistRaver's gardening column in the New York Times rarely fails to delight, often stimulating thoughtful musings. Now an entire volume of essays provides just cause for enthusiastic admirers to curl up and while away the time, reveling in Raver's offbeat reflections. In reality, many of her ideas are of a surprisingly ontological nature. This garden writer has a genius for homing in on small, quiet moments imbued with great meaning, such as those times shared with family members or a cherished pet. And when Raver is talking garden talk, it is often impossible not to laugh out loud. Other "type A" gardeners (and there are great numbers of them these days) will chuckle with recognition as she describes waking in the middle of the night in a panic about not yet having started her leek seedlings. An indispensable selection for gardening collections. Alice Joyce