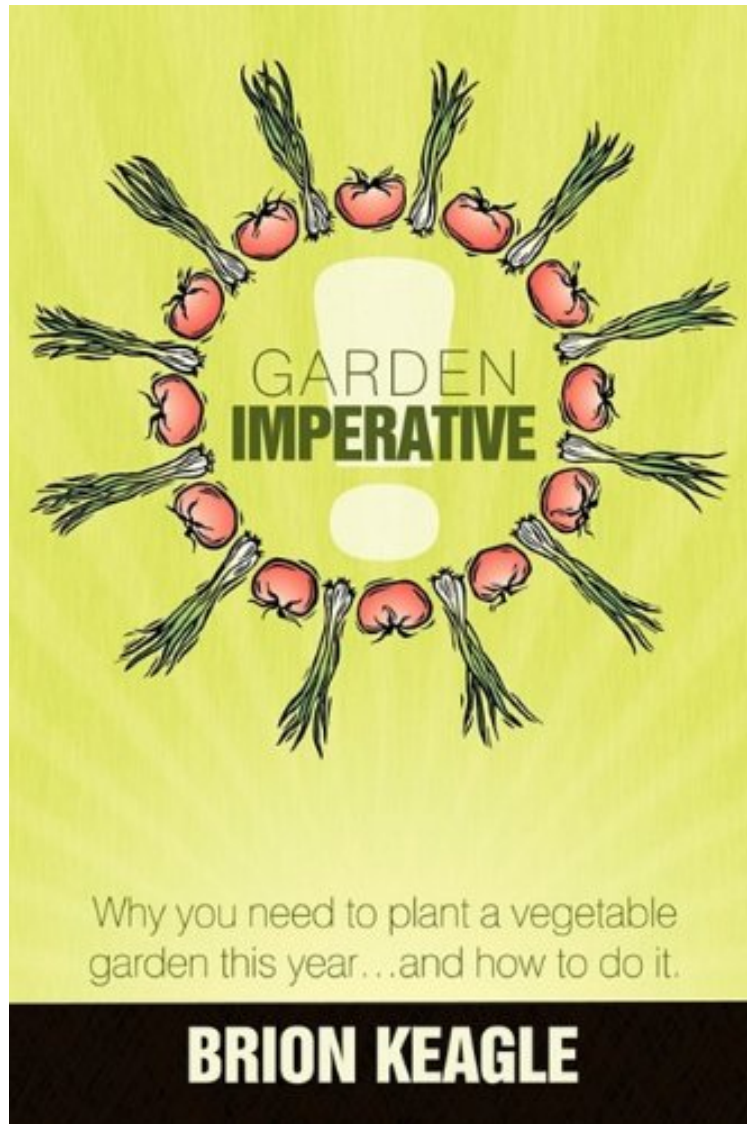


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Part inspiration and part how-to, Garden Imperative takes you through some of the many reasons you need to plant vegetable garden this year. Fresh, organically grown fruits and vegetables are important to improving human health. Tending a garden pays dividends of physical health, improves your mental and spiritual outlook, helps save the environment, and improves national security. If you are looking for reasons to start a garden or lack the knowledge to do so, then Garden Imperative has all the information you need to get started.

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