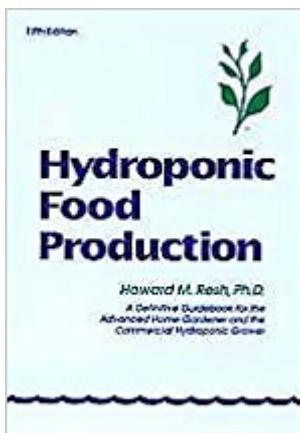


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Hydroponic Food Production: A Definitive Guidebook For The Advanced Home Gardener And The Commercial Hydroponic Grower, Sixth Edition



Synopsis

This book is a comprehensive and practical guide to soilless growing. It is known as the Bible of the industry. It is a methods book in that it provides detailed information on how to design, set up and operate hydroponic culture systems. It also describes the most successful cultures to use with specific crops. Hydroponic Food Production provides an immediate reference for those who are presently growing hydroponically as well as a guidebook to get prospective growers started. The sixth edition contains 450 photographs, drawings and tables. It has directories, addresses, references, bibliography and a complete index.

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Definitive information for any level hydroponic farmer.

If you are interested in farming and getting a good yield with limited space... This is a great how to book. He leaves nothing to the imagination. We don't need GMO's to feed billions, this is an alternative that won't destroy our DNA or alter them in anyway. Good read!

Very technical and in depth review of hydroponic gardening and techniques. Probably a bit more information than the average hobbyist needs but packed full of good information. More designed for the large scale operation but the same techniques apply.

This is by far the most definitive work I've read on the subject. A co-worker of mine recommended this as the "Bible" of hydroponics and he was absolutely right. It looks like a textbook right down to the ugly cyan/green cover, but it doesn't matter how a book looks if it's got it where it counts. Whether you're a hobbyist or a commercial hydroponics grower, this book is something you'll have wished you'd read.

Thank You!

Drawing on over 25 years of personal experience, Howard Resh has written this comprehensive technical manual for the commercial hydroponic food grower. Accompanied by numerous black and white photographs of commercial growing operations, Resh describes the many possible hydroponic systems, along with their strengths and weaknesses, taking into consideration the particular crops grown, regional environments, and geographic availability of various media. All aspects of growing hydroponically are covered, including:
* Plant nutritional needs
* Managing nutrient solutions
* Diagnosing nutritional deficiencies and excesses
* History of hydroponics
Various soilless cultures (water, sand, gravel, sawdust, rockwool, peat, rice hulls, vermiculite, perlite, synthetics, etc.)
* Environmental influences
* Water and greenhouse temperature
* Lighting
* Ventilation
* Sanitation
* Pollination
* Dealing with pests and fungal diseases
* Using pesticides and biological controls
* Sterilization
Resh offers suggestions for managing specific crops, such as desired media, germination, transplantation and harvest timeframes, temperature needs, crop spacing, suckering and trimming, and growing supports. The appendices include extensive resource lists and bibliography. While Resh does offer tips for small-scale operators on a few of the systems, this highly technical, no-nonsense manual is an invaluable reference more appropriate for the large-scale, professional grower. Disclosure: I received a review copy of this book from the publisher.

The book was in very good shape, almost new, as promoted. I own the first edition and the changes through the time are wonderful. As the author says, "it is a guidebook...". Every chapter is worthy to read. The schemes are great and has plenty of pictures, although missing color pictures. Some measurements are made in USA units (inches, feet, etc.) instead of international units, which are weird for those who are not familiar with them. It would be good for the reader to have some basic knowledge in chemistry and plant anatomy and physiology to have a better understanding of the book. Delivery time was very good.

The "Resh" bible, is the definitive guidebook about hydroponics. Resh review the actual techniques and different systems he observed over 40 years as well as provide deep technical insight to most of them. This book should be the first to be reviewed if you aspire to be a commercial grower and the best reference book for horticultural consultant working with soilless systems.

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