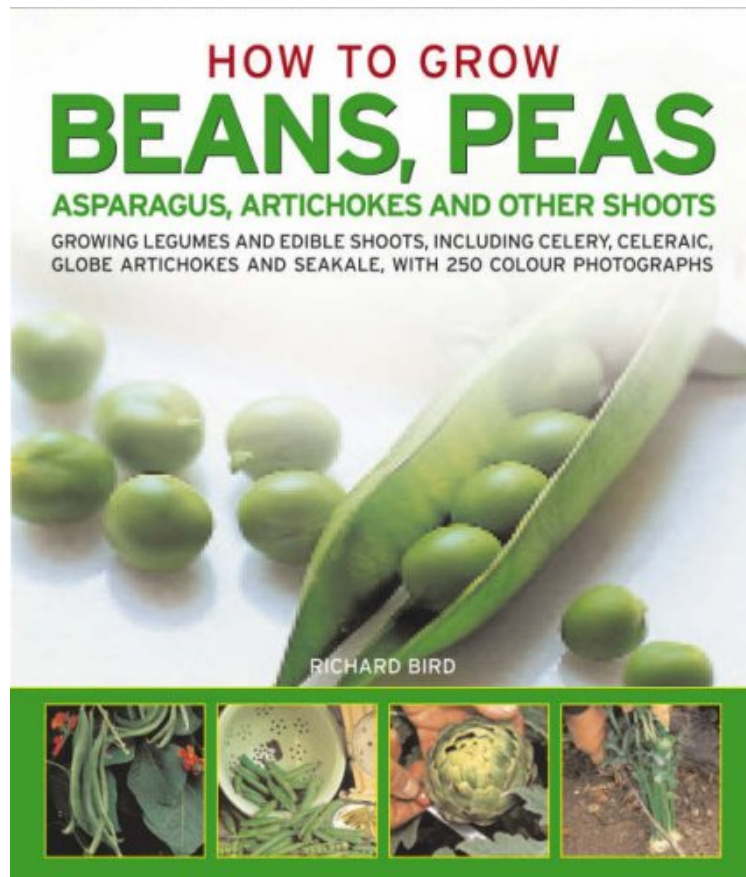


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3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. An introductory look at an ideosyncratic selection of plants By Rickye Heffner From the title, I expected an in-depth discussion of a relatively small number of vegetables. What I found was a very low-level introduction to an odd assortment of plants. I still can't figure out what constitutes 'shoots' in this context. There was no discussion at all of the wide variation in growing habits, climate requirements, and disease susceptibility of the different species and genera that are lumped together as 'beans'. I ended up giving the book to a youngster just getting interested in gardening.

A must for the novice grower, this book also provides reliable information for the experienced gardener who wants to experiment with new varieties. The main types of shoots, peas and beans are described and illustrated with useful information about the different varieties that can be grown, their history, cultivation requirements and cooking uses. There is key advice on improving your soil, making compost and preparing the vegetable bed. The section on practical

cultivation details essential information on growing and caring for each type of vegetable, from sowing to harvest, including dealing with any pests and diseases that may occur. Finally, suggestions are given on how to store the vegetables if you have a large crop.