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**Stella Otto : Backyard Orchardist: Complete Guide to Growing Fruit Trees in the Home Garden** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Backyard Orchardist: Complete Guide to Growing Fruit Trees in the Home Garden:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Lots of informationBy Les LearyIn my extensive research into available orchard varieties for a particular zone this book came up repeatedly as THE resource for home orchardists. It is very comprehensive. It is also very dry. I will definitely use as a reference over and over. Saying that I would really have appreciated a book with photos of examples of diseases and pests. Line drawings are pretty useless. There are also a lot of new varieties available that are not listed in this book. I am guessing new ones become available every year. I would wish that some day someone will rewrite this book with photos of a bare root delivered tree, the hole, the planting, the tree after it is pruned back, first year, second year, etc. Now that would be worth every penny.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. and they get the point across just fine.By Matt DVery informative in easy-to-understand language. Covers a wide range of fruit species. The illustrations are simple black and white drawings, but that's all you need, and they get the point across just fine.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Melville H. KennedyGreat Reference!!

For every gardener desiring to add apples, pears, cherries, and other tree fruit to their landscape here are hints and

solid information from a professional horticulturist and experienced fruit grower. *The Backyard Orchardist* includes help on selecting the best fruit trees and information about each stage of growth and development, along with tips on harvest and storage of the fruit. Those with limited space will learn about growing dwarf fruit trees in containers. Appendices include a fruit-growers monthly calendar, a trouble-shooting guide for reviving ailing trees, and a resource list of nurseries selling fruit trees.

"This little gem is the finest single source of fruit growing information published to date...very comprehensive..."--  
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About the Author Stella Otto got her first taste for fruit growing during annual family outings to the U-pick orchards of western Massachusetts. Following receipt of a B.S. in horticulture from Michigan State University, she worked at one of largest tree fruit nurseries in the U.S and a major tart cherry orchard near Traverse City, MI, before she and her husband eventually started their own diversified fruit farm in northern Michigan. Stella has authored two books, the award-winning *The Backyard Orchardist*, and *The Backyard Berry Book*. She has written freelance articles for numerous magazines, appeared on the Discovery Channel, and been interviewed on NPR and other gardening radio programs. Stella presently cultivates a fruitful family garden and enjoys her horses on a 10-acre homestead in northern Michigan. She can also be found cultivating fruit gardening information on her blog *The Backyard Fruit Gardener* at [www.stellaotto.com](http://www.stellaotto.com).