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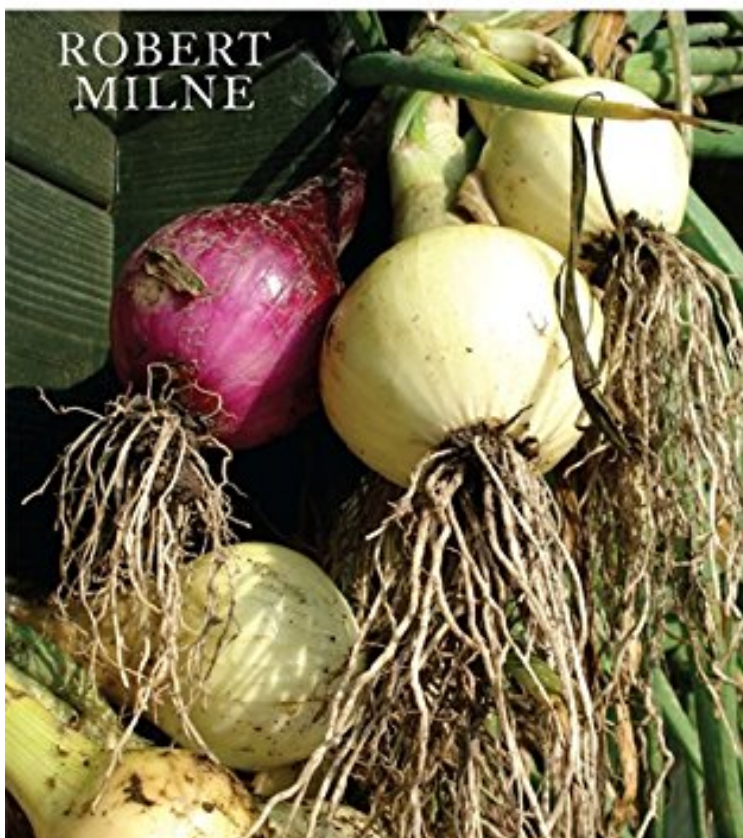
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to producing nutritious and flavourful vegetables  
from your garden or allotment



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Growing your own organic vegetables will give you fresher, tastier and more nutritious produce with no food miles, fossil fuel use or packaging; and will provide you with the simple but enormous pleasure and satisfaction of supplying at least part of your own food requirements. This authoritative book provides detailed, practical guidance for those who wish to make the most of their time and whatever area of ground is available to grow vegetables the organic way. It looks forward to productive gardening becoming increasingly relevant and necessary as we are obliged to adapt to global trends, including climate change and diminishing oil resources that will adversely affect food production. The techniques described are applicable to any scale of gardening and are based on the author's thirty years of organic gardening experience, including twenty years of self-sufficiency and eight as a professional gardener growing vegetables and fruit in walled gardens.

'When he lived in Herefordshire, Robert Milne was the most rigorous organic gardener I had ever met. Twenty years of self-sufficiency as well as eight years working as a professional gardener underpin his book *Organic Vegetable Growing*...The book will tell you everything you ever need to know about *Maintaining Soil Fertility*.' Anna Pavord, *The Independent*, 24/7/10. '*Organic Vegetable Growing* is a hands-on guide to feeding the family from your own garden.' *Jump Magazine*. --*Jump Magazine et al*About the AuthorRobert Milne grew all the vegetables and most of the fruit for his family of two, then three, and for ten years, four people. Robert explored the most efficient way of doing everything, modifying some tools and developing some new techniques. In 2003, frustrated by the lack of information about soil in gardening books, Robert took a degree in soil science at the University of Reading. Robert has also worked with vegetable growers in Norway, Scotland and Iceland. In 2002-3, he worked with children in primary schools making and managing quite large vegetable gardens.