

SEED RESOURCE BIBLIOGRAPHY

BOOKS

(all titles linked)

Did you know that most public libraries invite requests for purchase? You may want to request that your public library carry a copy or two of our How To Save Seeds book or other books you'd like to have easily accessible to your community.

SEED SAVING

- ➔ [A Seed Saving Guide for Gardeners & Farmers](#). Organic Seed Alliance.
- ➔ [Back Garden Seed Saving: Keeping our Vegetable Heritage Alive](#). Susan Stickland. Available in COG library.
- ➔ [Breed Your Own Vegetable Varieties: The Gardener's & Farmer's Guide to Plant Breeding & Seed Saving](#). Carol Deppe.
- ➔ [How to Save Your Own Seeds](#). Seeds of Diversity Canada, 6th Ed, 2013. Also available in French.
- ➔ [Saving Seeds: The Gardener's Guide to Growing and Storing Vegetable and Flower Seeds](#). Marc Rogers, 1991.
- ➔ [Seed to Seed: Seed Saving and Growing Techniques for Vegetable Growers](#). Suzanne Ashworth, Seed Saver's Exchange. Revised edition, 2002.
- ➔ [The New Seed Starter's Handbook](#). Nancy Bubel,.Rodale Press, 1998.
- ➔ [The Seed Saver's Handbook](#) by Churfas, Fanton and Fanton, Grower Books, 1996.

GARDENING

- ➔ Bibliography of various gardening books from Seed Savers Exchange: www.seedsavers.org/onlinestore/Gardening-Books/
- ➔ [Heirloom Vegetable Gardening: A Master Gardener's Guide to Planting, Seed Saving, and Cultural History](#). William Woys Weaver, 1999.
- ➔ [The Heirloom Gardener](#). Carolyn Jab, 1984.
- ➔ [The Heirloom Tomato: From Garden to Table](#). Amy Goldman.

OTHER SEED & SECURITY BOOKS

- ➔ [Enduring Seeds: Native American Agriculture and Wild Plant Conservation](#) by Gary Nabhan.
- ➔ [Living Lightly on the Land-Self Reliance in Food, Medicine](#) by Dan Jason, Salt Spring Seeds, Canada 1998 self-published, 250-537-5269.
- ➔ [Saving Seeds as if our Lives Depended on it](#). Dan Jason.

ONLINE SEED SAVING RESOURCES

- ➔ Collection of seed saving resources from Seed Savers Exchange including basic seed saving instructions for selected varieties of vegetables, flowers and herbs as well as assessing seed maturity, germ tests and storage tips. www.seedsavers.org/Education/Seed-Saving-Resources/.
- ➔ Organic Seed Alliance's "*List of Publications*" including plant breeding & variety trials, worksheets & record sheets, seed production info, participatory plant breeding toolkit & more. seedalliance.org/publications.

SEED LIBRARY, SEED BANK & SEED SWAP RESOURCES

- ➔ "*How to Grow a Seed Collective: A Community Template for Seed Saving*" by Robin Wheeler, available at www.seedmatters.org
- ➔ "How To Run a Seedy Saturday: a guidebook". Available from Judy Newman, Seeds of Diversity at mail@seeds.ca.
- ➔ *Open Source Seed Library database* to use for seed library lending/borrowing. The Kwantlen Polytechnic University Sustainable Greenhouse Club project is currently looking into this as an option for managing their lending library.
- ➔ *Seed Libraries and Other Means of Keeping Seeds in the Hands of the People*. Cindy Conner, 2015.
- ➔ "*Richmond Grows Seeds: Resources For Creating Your Own Seed Lending Library*". Seed Library, Public Library of Richmond, California. This is the model a number of our partner seed libraries have used as a model.
- ➔ *Starting a Community Seed Project* – Community Seed Toolkit from Seed Matters. Includes resources on starting a community seed garden, setting up a seed library, organizing a seed swap & more.

TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

- ➔ *Seed Saving Training Workshop Guide*. The Food Security Network of Newfoundland & Labrador 's Root Cellars Rock.
- ➔ *National Seed Trainer List*. The Bauta Family Initiative on Canadian Seed Security. List of people across the Canada who have interest and experience doing seed saving trainings.

- ➔ [Pollination Education Resources for Teachers and Students.](#) Seeds of Diversity.
- ➔ [Seed Saving Trainers' Toolkit.](#) The Bauta Family Initiative on Canadian Seed Security. (\$20) Included in the toolkit: a PowerPoint Presentation for trainers to use during training events, fact sheets on seed saving for nine crop families, and a manual for the trainer with lesson plans and hand-outs. Some lessons & activities include “Why Save Seed,” flower dissection, seed cleaning, germination testing, plant taxonomy and a number of interactive educational games. Lessons are rated for appropriate level, season & indoor/outdoor suitability.
- ➔ [Resources for Educators,](#) including Sow and Save Project. USC Canada.

WEBINARS & VIDEOS

- ➔ [OSA's Organic Seed Growers' Conference Webinar Series,](#) Organic Seed Alliance, 2014. The 7th Organic Seed Growers Conference was hosted by Organic Seed Alliance, Oregon State University, Washington State University, and eOrganic and took place January 30 - February 1, 2014 in Corvallis, Oregon.
- ➔ [“Growing Good Seed: the Fundamentals.”](#) The Bauta Family Initiative on Canadian Seed Security. Series of 5 webinars spanning the seed growing season, exploring timely topics from planning, to quality assurance, to harvesting and scaled equipment.
- ➔ [“Seed Systems: Broadening our Horizons.”](#) The Bauta Family Initiative on Canadian Seed Security. Series exploring seed related topics, including production but also participatory research, trialing, seed banks & libraries, and more.
- ➔ [Webinar Archives,](#) Seed Savers Exchange.
- ➔ [Seeds of Freedom](#) charts the story of seed from its roots at the heart of traditional, diversity rich farming systems across the world, to being transformed into a powerful commodity, used to monopolise the global food system. The Gaia Foundation and the African Biodiversity Network.
- ➔ [“Vandana Shiva on the Problem with Genetically Modified Seeds.”](#) Bill Moyers video interview with Vandana Shiva, July 13, 2012.

CANADIAN SEED INVENTORIES

- ➔ **Canadian Seed Catalogue Inventory**. Seeds of Diversity's list of vegetable and fruit seeds that were sold in recent years by Canadian seed companies. This is 1 way to gain a sense of how rare a seed is in Canada (the fewer the # of seed companies who carry it, the more endangered it is!).
- ➔ **Ecological Seed Finder**. The Bauta Initiative on Canadian Seed Security. Choose a crop species and select your region to find which seed suppliers are located near you. Searchable by crop, region & whether seed is certified organic.

SEED SAVING & SEED SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS

- ➔ **Organic Seed Alliance (US)**: Advancing the ethical development and stewardship of the genetic resources of agricultural seed. www.seedalliance.org
- ➔ **Seeds of Diversity Canada**: People Protecting the People's Seed. www.seeds.ca
- ➔ **Seed Savers Exchange (US)**: Non-profit organization dedicated to saving and sharing heirloom seeds. www.seedsavers.org
- ➔ **USC Canada**: Promoting vibrant family farms, strong rural communities and healthy ecosystems around the world. www.usccanada.org

POLLINATOR RESOURCES

- ➔ **Pollination Canada**. A project of Seeds of Diversity.
- ➔ **Pollinator Partnership Canada**. An organization to promote the health of pollinators, critical to food and ecosystems, through conservation, education, and research.
- ➔ **The Xerces Society**. An organization for the preservation of invertebrates. Also home to **Pollinator Conservation Resource Centre**.