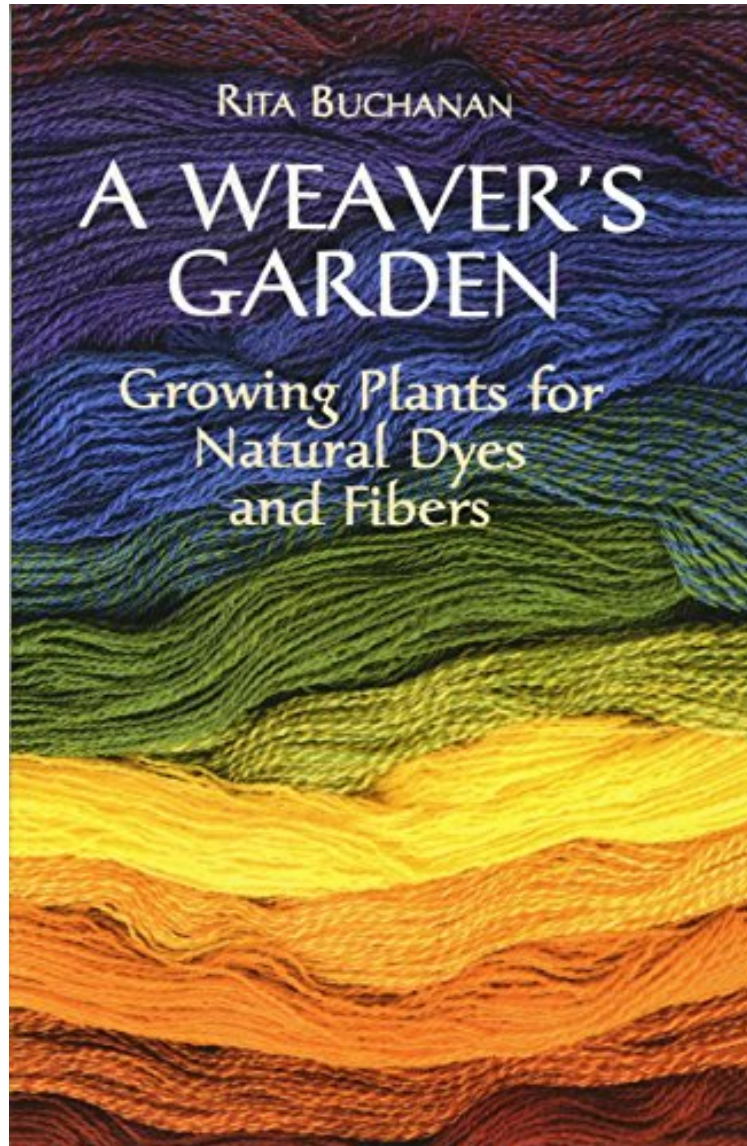


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16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. Very useful book for learningBy PietiThis is my first year dying with plants, and I checked this book (along with several others) out of our local library over the winter so I could

prepare for the short growing season. This is the only one I went out and purchased so I could have a copy on hand. I'm trying to focus on plants I have growing in my own yard, and Rita's book is extremely helpful when I'm trying to figure out what to do with an uncommon dyeplant - for instance, she has a page where she talks about dyeing with pokeberries, but extrapolates from that to give some general rules that should work for dyeing with almost all berries - helped me when I tried to dye using buckthorn berries, mulberries, and cherries. I've since bought several other dye books, but if I could only choose one to have on hand, it would be this one (or her companion book, *A Dyer's Garden* - but I loved the information on fiber plants that this book had).6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. No color picturesBy GadgetI just bought and downloaded this book and found there are no color pictures in the book. Not very useful. I would really like to know how to achieve colors and see a color chart or pictures. Too bad I can't return the book and purchase something with color. Good info on growing and processing fibers and plants for dying.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Karen SherwoodExcellent book that wandered away from my library and needed to be replaced.

Long before the invention of pottery, men and women wove baskets from plant fibers. Today, craftworkers creating textiles and other products make use of many of these same resources and methods. Thoroughly researched and charmingly written, this practical guide by a veteran botanist and horticulturist provides weavers and gardeners alike with a wealth of information on growing plants for use in weaving and dyeing projects.Beginning with the history and uses of plant fibers, *A Weaver's Garden* then offers valuable hints on dyeing fibers and fabrics and how to use soap plants for cleaning textiles. Readers will also find expert advice on fragrant plants for scenting and protecting textiles, what plant materials to use as tools, how to plan and create a garden containing cotton, flax, indigo, madder, fuller's teasel, woad, and many other useful plants; and much more. A glossary, pronunciation guide, and an abundance of illustrations complete this informative and inspiring volume.