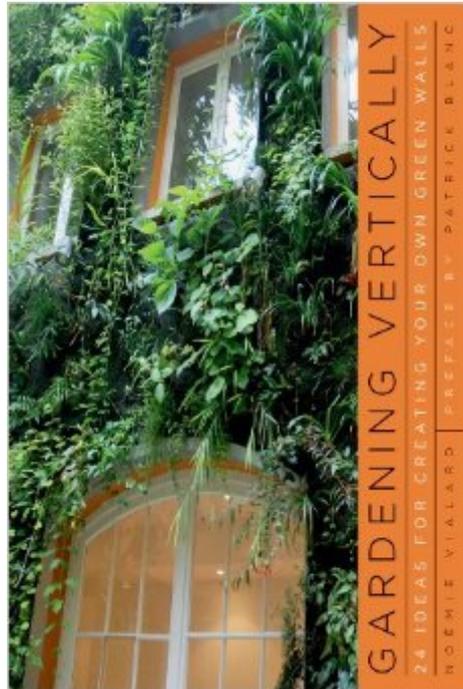


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# Gardening Vertically: 24 Ideas For Creating Your Own Green Walls



## Synopsis

A recipe book for gardeners, from Patrick Blanc's innovative Green Wall to new techniques for domestic gardens. "She's done it! She's written this book that invites us all to look upward and admire the plants that are above us . . . and which will never be crushed under our feet. . . . So put down your spades and rakes for a while, and get out your drills and staplers: they will plunge you into a whole new world!"

From the Foreword by Patrick Blanc Until recently the idea of vertical gardening was limited to growing climbing plants on walls and trellises, but it has been completely transformed in recent years through the impetus of Patrick Blanc, who invented the concept of the Vertical Garden, also known as the Mur Végétal, or Green Wall. Since then, many new developments have appeared (ready-made walls, small garden scenes, etc.). These are all techniques that Noémie Vialard presents in this book, paying particular attention to her friend Patrick Blanc's concept and featuring the wall of aromatic plants he designed especially for her. Step-by-step photographs guide you through the different stages in the development of a wall like this for personal enjoyment. Following are twenty-four different ideas for vertical garden compositions, each beautifully rendered in Dominique Klecka's illustrations with simple instructions to help you to create and maintain it yourself. Among the themes: foliage wall • mosquito repellent wall • aromatic herb wall • perfumed wall • wall of mosses • wall of ferns • black-and-white checkerboard wall • patchwork of succulents • circle of thyme • winter jasmine screen • wall of vegetables • and many more! 110 full-color photographs, 28 full-color drawings

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Don't worry if you lack garden space, now you can place all your plants on a wall. Instead of looking at your flower or veggie patch horizontally, instead think of viewing them vertically. Sort of reminiscent of the hanging gardens of Babylon, the author discloses how French Botanist Patrick Blanc developed the wall gardens displayed as planting art which can be seen on museum walls in Spain, shopping malls in Thailand and in a neighborhood in Paris. In addition to describing these floral wonders, the author carefully describes how to create your own personal herbal wall. The essential materials include a special matting resistant to rot but which allows the plant roots to embrace and thrive on its surface. Along with this basic substrate, frames need be constructed and materials for watering and fertilizing must be provided. Scores of plants suitable for different vertical situations are listed and described. The majestic illustrations enrich the text describing how to construct foliage walls, or aromatic herb panels, or walls of ferns. Perhaps you would prefer circles of thyme, or succulent patchworks, maybe a drain dressed with clematis sounds attractive to you. This is a beautiful book full of ideas that will especially appeal to the dedicated gardener.

There's no doubt that the text gives sufficient information for building a vertical garden. It's also very promotions oriented for the originator of the method used in the book. A bit fawning. The first third or less is about the green wall method and the ideas for them. The rest of the book is pretty generic gardening info. Felt like filler.

I am building some living walls and needed some hands-on help with plants and plans. This book is really good.

I've gardened my whole life, but this concept was new to me. There are many expensive products available to buy to vertical garden, and not only does the book explain the what's and hows of vertical gardening, it explains how to do it with inexpensive materials.

Good product, was not exactly what I was looking for, but the book is very interesting anyway.

Thanks and regards

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