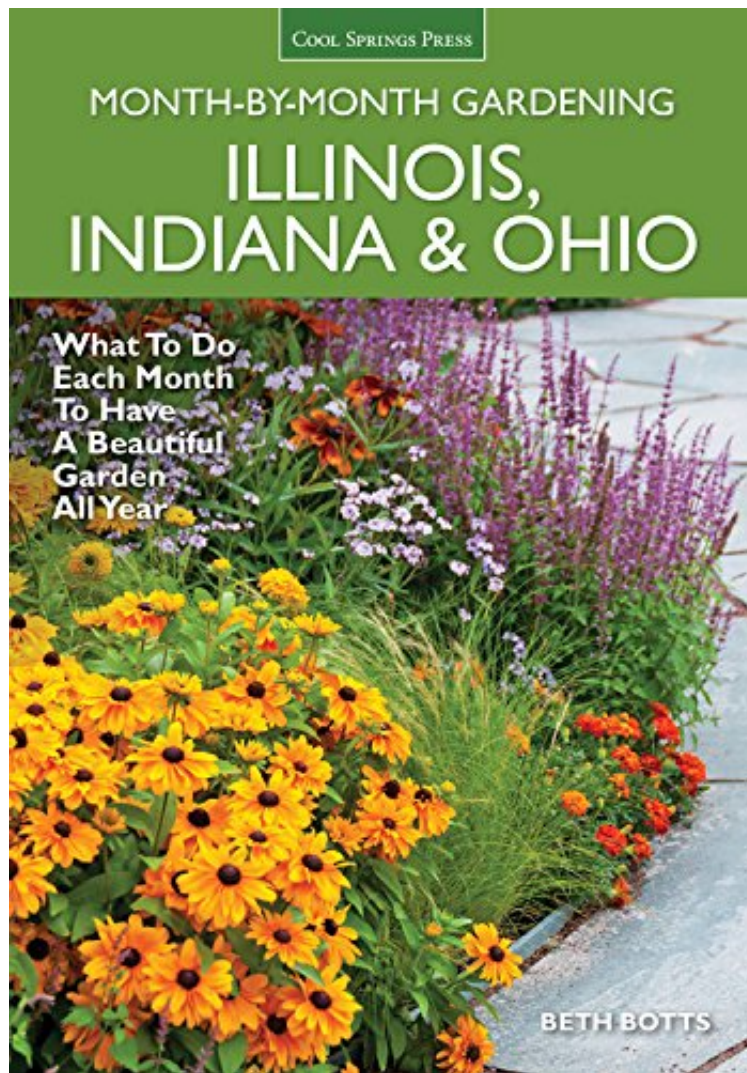


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among the toughest, most unpredictable and just plain frustrating places to garden. So a book dedicated to helping us weather the whims and challenges of a specific region (not to mention its particular critters, such as deer) is worth its weight in gold -- make that loam. The month-by-month format is really helpful, too, offering timely reminders of tasks for the current month, as well as allowing the reader to prepare for the months ahead, in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. Full disclosure: I have worked with writer Beth Botts in my earlier stints as a garden editor, and my already-high expectations for this book were exceeded. The information here is so thorough, expansive and user-friendly that it will help whether you're a pro or a rookie. I'm somewhere in between, and I bought this copy to share with two friends, one a nervous newbie and another a veteran veggie gardener. Reading the February chapter reminded me that it's not only time to prune the roses but also the dried-out clematis vines, and to cut down my ornamental grasses. This is just one example in a book that is chock-full of clearly written tutorials, eco-friendly tips and oodles of photographs for gardeners in these three states (she also addresses the variances in growing zones within these states). Since it's currently about 15 degrees outside, I'll finish here to see what needs to happen in March. I'm not getting too excited about the promise of spring -- because in this corner of the world, as Botts writes, March means that "crocuses are blooming, but blizzards are still in play."

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