

# Let's Eat!

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“We put our garden in the front yard, at first, because that’s where the sun was,” said Bobbie Preston, who moved to her lower Larch home in Moraga in 1984. “Now we keep it there. I can give a child who’s walking by with his mother a little pumpkin, or a warm tomato fresh off the vine.”

That’s not to say she doesn’t keep, oh, a few things around back. Even though the Prestons live on a typical quarter-acre lot, they have constructed beds down to Moraga Creek and planted 18 dwarf fruit trees and more than 50 varieties of edible plants. Not to mention the bird houses, nesting boxes, bat house, and a menagerie of animal sculptures.

**TIP: There is sex outside marriage. Squash plants have both male and female flowers. To ensure fertilization, use a Q-Tip. (Ellen Bier, Orinda)**

Yet even with multiple seasons under her belt, Preston is still finding out what grows best where.

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*Bobbie Preston with a daily harvest.*



*Preston picks a Golden Wonder in her front yard in Moraga.*



*Susan Anderson-Berger harvests dinosaur kale in her Orinda garden.*

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