

The Book of the Month for September is,

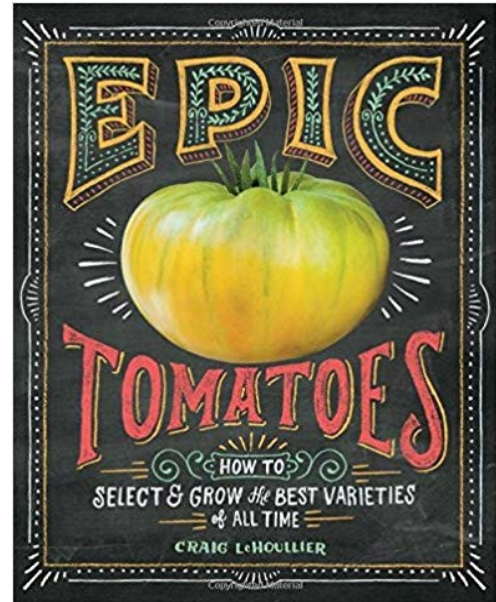
“EPIC TOMATOES - How to Select & Grow the Best Varieties of all Time.”

It was written by Craig LeHoullier, and was published by Storey Publishing in 2015. Tomatoes are one of the most commonly grown plants in the home garden, and over the last decade, the number of varieties available to the home gardener has increased many times over.

How can we possibly decide which ones to plant?

There are cherry, grape, roma, heart, pepper, pear, globe, and oblate shaped. Then pink, red, purple, black, chocolate, yellow, green, white, and striped. Not to mention heirloom, determinate, indeterminate, hybrid, and dwarf. And last but not least: early, mid-season and late varieties. Where do we start?

In this book, we start by learning the origins of today’s tomatoes (which I found very interesting), the anatomy of the tomato, planning, growing, harvesting, breeding your own tomatoes, pests and diseases, troubleshooting and seed saving. The author then lists his **TEN** tastiest varieties as well as information on **250** recommended tomatoes, by shape, size, season, growth and flavour.



I’ve picked some to try next year and made sure to photocopy a bunch of pages for quick reference, and I’m sure you’ll do the same.

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