

Food safety in the edible garden

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As a child, I squirreled away unpopped kernels from the bottom of a bag of microwave popcorn. I hid them in the pockets of my summer dress until I could plant them under the swing set. I hoped they would grow into a fairytale secret garden. They did not.

As an avid green thumb, I have continued my tradition of small gardening mistakes. Mini mess-ups are good to make. Hands-on experiences in seed-starting and pollination make me a better grower.

However, I put a lot of focus on avoiding big gardening mistakes, like E. coli.

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