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September 2024

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Crave

By Tracy Wolff

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LET'S TALK GARDEN

Preparing Your Garden for Spring/Summer: Planting for End of Summer/Fall garden

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Herb of the Day
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Fruit of the Day
Book of the Day
Art of the Month
and more...



# **EDITOR'S NOTES**



Hello, Everyone!

As September arrives, the essence of fall lingers in the air. Let's prepare for the season of hearty soups, comforting stews, and homey southern dishes. While summer brought its share of fun with warm weather and beach getaways, it's now time to embrace the cozy fall wardrobe and snug blankets. Join me this September for delicious home-cooked meals, autumn reading, book reviews, and exciting new content on My Life As Mom Blog.

Sincerely,

Taquela Hudson Blogger & Editor

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# Feel Free To..

## FALL GARDEN

Want to start a garden? Start small with a patio garden and raised garden bed. Plants some herbs, tomato, or flowers and watch them grow.



# Art of the Month

# PAINTS OF FALL

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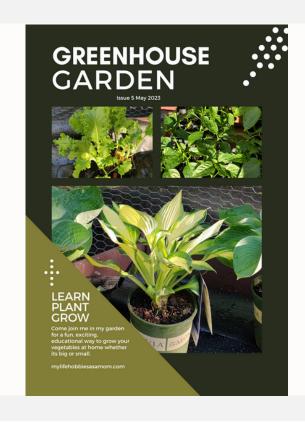




## TASTE OF FALL

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# BRUSSELS SPROUT

### When to Plant?

Due to brussels sprouts' need for a long growing season, we recommend planting them with a fall or winter harvest in mind. They do best when allowed to mature during the cool days of fall.

#### How to Plant?

- Sow seeds about ½ inch deep.
- If direct-sowing seeds outdoors, sow seeds about 2 to 3 inches apart.
   (Seedlings should be thinned to 12 to 24 inches apart when they reach about 6 inches tall.)
- Plant seedlings 12 to 24 inches apart.
- Water well at time of sowing/transplanting

### **How to Store?**

- Do not wash the sprouts before storing them, only right before use.
- Keep fresh-picked sprouts in a plastic bag for up to 5 days in the refrigerator.

#### Learn more from:

How to Grow Brussels Sprouts:
The Complete Guide





# SCENTS OF NATURE



A staple in Thai and Italian cuisine and a delicious addition to tomato soup, basil is a popular plant in many herb gardens. The sweet, warm, and spicy flavor of Basil essential oil is perfect for your culinary ventures.

Basil essential oil and its high linalool content contributes to its relaxing aroma, and its camphor content gives it exceptional cleansing properties, making it an effective surface cleanser. The skincooling properties of Basil essential oil also make it ideal for uplifting aromatic massages.

### **Primary Benefits**

- Basil oil provides a calming, relaxing aroma.
- Basil essential oil offers soothing comfort when incorporated into a massage.
- Basil essential oil may support a healthy cell lifecycle when used internally, according to preclinical research.\*
- Basil oil provides added cleansing power to surface cleaners.

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# Aged Cabernet Series

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- Winery information, winemaker notes, tasting notes, pairing suggestions, and a recipe.
- Our Love It Guarantee.

While our focus is Napa Valley, occasionally we discover neighboring Sonoma or Lake County Cabernets worthy of inclusion.



### START A BOOK CLUB

# BOOK OF THE MONTH Crave

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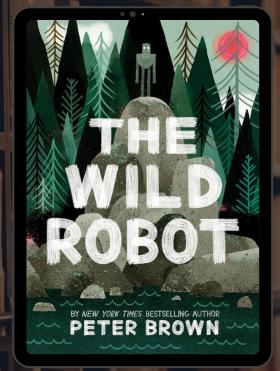


My whole world changed when I stepped inside the academy. Nothing is right about this place or the other students in it. Here I am, a mere mortal among gods...or monsters. I still can't decide which of these warring factions I belong to, if I belong at all. I only know the one thing that unites them is their hatred of me.

Then there's Jaxon Vega. A vampire with deadly secrets who hasn't felt anything for a hundred years. But there's something about him that calls to me, something broken in him that somehow fits with what's broken in me. Which could spell death for us all.

Because Jaxon walled himself off for a reason. And now someone wants to wake a sleeping monster, and I'm wondering if I was brought here intentionally—as the bait.

# DAUGTHER'S CHOICE The Wild Robot



This #1 New York Times bestselling illustrated middle grade novel from a Caldecott Honor winner tells an extraordinary story full of action and thought-provoking questions as a robot learns to survive—and live—in the wilderness.

Can a robot survive in the wilderness?

When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers that she is all alone on a remote, wild island. She has no idea how she got there or what her purpose is—but she knows she needs to survive. After battling a violent storm and escaping a vicious bear attack, she realizes that her only hope for survival is to adapt to her surroundings and learn from the island's unwelcoming animal inhabitants.

# COOKBOOK OF THE MONTH Dinner in One

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • 100 all-new super-simple and incredibly delicious one-pot, one-pan, one-sheet—one-everything!—recipes from the star food writer and bestselling author of Dinner in French.

ONE OF THE BEST COOKBOOKS OF THE YEAR: Food & Wine

Melissa Clark brings her home cook's expertise and no-fuss approach to the world of one-pot pan cooking. With nearly all of the recipes being made in under one hour, the streamlined steps ensure you are in and out of the kitchen without dirtying a multitude of pans or spending more time than you need to on dinner.

Expect to find a bevy of sheet-pan suppers (Miso-Glazed Salmon with Roasted Sugar Snap Peas), skillet dinners (Cheesy Meatball Parm with Spinach), Instant Pot® pinch hitters (Cheaters Chicken and Dumplings), comforting casseroles (Herby Artichoke and Gruyere Bread Pudding) that you can assemble right in the baking dish, crowd-pleasing one-pot pasta meals (Gingery Coconut Noodles with Shrimp and Greens), vegetable-forward mains, and dozens of tips for turning a vegetarian or meat-based recipe vegan. And since no dinner is complete without dessert, you'll find a chapter of one-bowl cakes, too—from an Easy Chocolate Fudge Torte to a Ricotta-Olive Oil Pound Cake.

These are simple, delicious recipes for weekdays, busy evenings, and any time you need to get a delicious, inspiring meal on the table quickly—with as little clean-up as possible.





## Introducing Matcha Fresca









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## Thinker Oil

Thinker Focus Blend perfectly combines Vetiver,
Peppermint, Clementine, and Rosemary essential oils
with Fractionated Coconut Oil. Earthy, minty, and herbal,
Thinker essential oil blend provides an energizing,
clarifying aroma.



### **Primary Benefits**

- Thinker essential oil blend provides a fresh, invigorating aroma.
- Thinker oil blend creates a productive, focused environment.

### Uses

- Keep Thinker essential oil blend in your purse or a child's backpack.
- Roll Thinker oil blend on the wrists or hands and inhale deeply before taking a test.
- Apply Thinker essential oil blend to the pulse points for an uplifting aroma while studying.

### **Directions For Use**

Aromatic Use: Roll Thinker essential oil blend on diffusing jewelry, natural dolomite, or lava diffusing rocks.

Topical Use: Apply Thinker oil blend to the desired area.

Intended for use with adult supervision.

See additional precautions below.

### Cautions

Keep out of reach of children under three years old. Possible skin sensitivity. If you're pregnant, nursing, or under a doctor's care, consult your physician. Keep out of eyes, inner ears, mouth, and sensitive areas.





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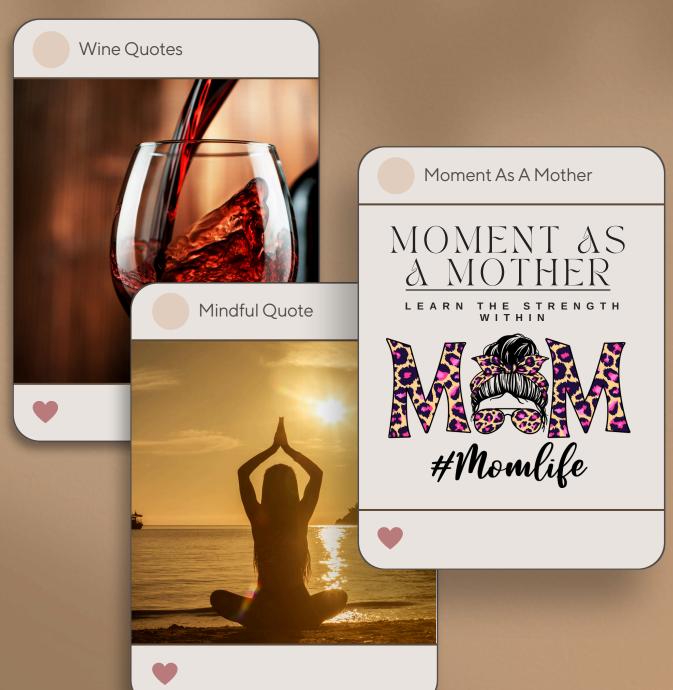
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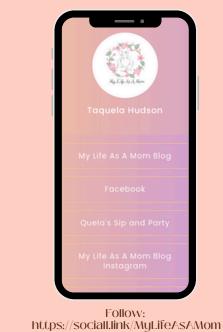


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# Taste the Journey: New Field to Table Red Blend

Discover a wine that captures the essence of the Central Coast in every sip. Scan the QR code for curated recipes and embark on a flavorful journey.

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The Field to Table Red Blend 2021 is a celebration of California's Central Coast's rich viticultural history. Crafted by the renowned Winemaker Isadora Frias, each bottle from this collection features one of three unique label designs that beautifully capture the rolling hills and coastal landscapes of the region, bringing the vineyard experience right to your table.

Experience a sophisticated palate with bold notes of dark cherry, seamlessly integrated with smooth oak and a hint of exotic spices. The wine's finish is elegantly accented by subtle undertones of leather and dried rose petals, making it a perfect choice for enhancing any dining experience.

Each bottle comes with a QR code that links to specially curated recipes designed to complement the distinctive flavors of the wine. This interactive feature not only enhances your tasting experience but also provides valuable pairing suggestions to elevate any meal.



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# **GUAIACWOOD**

Guaiacwood is steam-distilled from the heartwood of the Bulnesia sarmientoi tree and has been used for centuries by Native Americans in wellness practices and ceremonies. This rich, earthy essential oil has a grounding, woody aroma with a hint of sweetness.

### How to Use Guaiacwood

CPTG Certified Pure Tested Grade® Guaiacwood essential oil can be used aromatically and topically. Its deep, woody aroma supports a harmonious, rooted environment. You can enjoy the earthy-sweet scent by diffusing, applying it to your hands and wrists or neck, or simply smelling it straight from the bottle. Topical use of Guaiacwood may provide comfort to minor skin irritations and supports your skin's natural hydration.

## Usage Tips:

- Diffuse Guaiacwood to create a grounding atmosphere.
- Apply a drop or two to minor skin irritations for a soothing effect.
- Use Guaiacwood aromatically in the evening for a tranquil aroma.





# Digest Coming Soon

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