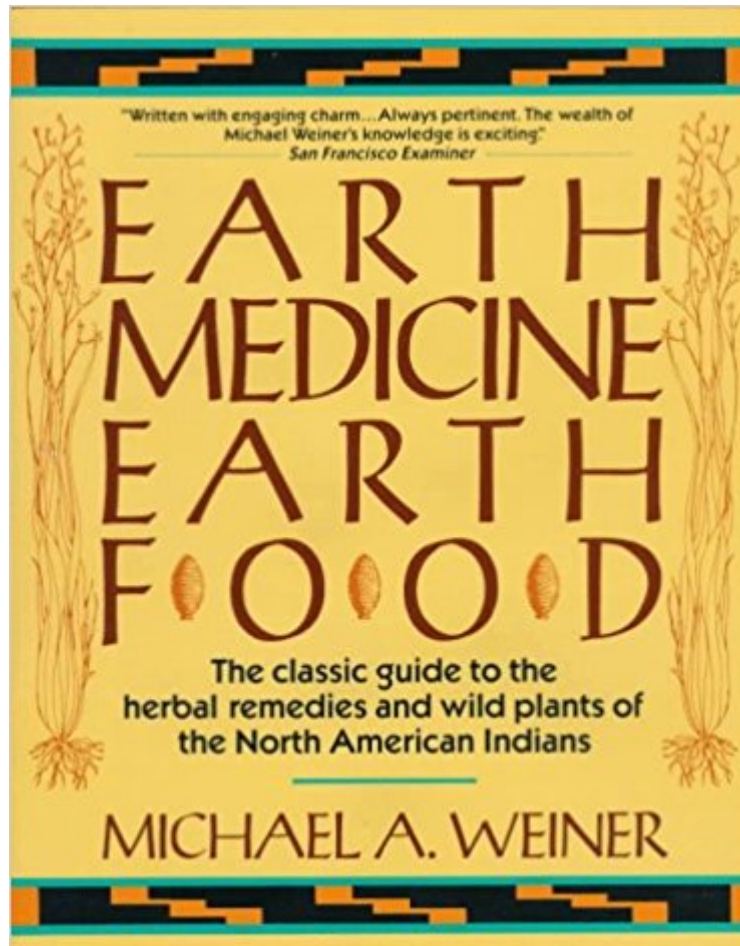




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Earth Medicine, Earth Food



Synopsis

Long before there was pharmacology as we know it, the North American Indians cured illness and maintained health by natural means, using the healing plants of the forest, desert, and seashore. Their discoveries continue to have impact on modern medicine: over 25 percent of all prescription drugs contain plant derivatives, and the mainstream medical establishment is acknowledging the effectiveness of herbal remedies in treating certain illnesses. *Earth Medicine, Earth Food* is an A-to-Z reference to the plant remedies and wild foods used by the Indians. Organized by condition -- from allergies to female complaints to wounds -- it explains which plants were used by different tribes to treat specific maladies, how they were prepared, and how to identify them in the wild. You'll learn that:-- The Catawba Indians treated back pain with a tea of arnica roots-- The Iroquois and Mohegans used the boneset weed for colds and fever-- The Blackfoot Indians applied a paste of scarlet mallow to burns as a cooling agent-- The Menominees cured insomnia with a tea steeped from the leaves of the partridge berry plant-- The Onondagas drank pennyroyal tea for headache. *Earth Medicine, Earth Food* also discusses non-animal food sources consumed by the Indians such as nuts, seeds, berries, and ferns, and examines the relevance of traditional dietary patterns to the way we eat now. With over 160 detailed illustrations of plants as they are found in nature, *Earth Medicine, Earth Food* belongs on your shelf next to such works as *Food and Healing*, *Traditional Foods Are Your Best Medicine*, and guides to Chinese medicine.

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I stumbled across Michael Wiener and was a bit taken aback by his politics. Then I realized we both had a passion for healthy sustainable living, and herbal medicines. On a lark I ordered his book to try learn what he had to say about this topic I held dear. I was very surprised and pleased with the content. I found many remedies I had never seen before and was very pleased with the structure of the book, the organizational groupings he used, and his general philosophical approach to the questions of sustainability and self-reliance. I would recommend this book to anyone who is interested in both the practical and political effects of herbal medicine.

Well written

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This text is a classic. I came across an old copy a number of years ago and was thrilled to find it again on . It is one of my favorite herbal/natural healing texts and now that I have found it again it will be a permanent reference in my herbal library!

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