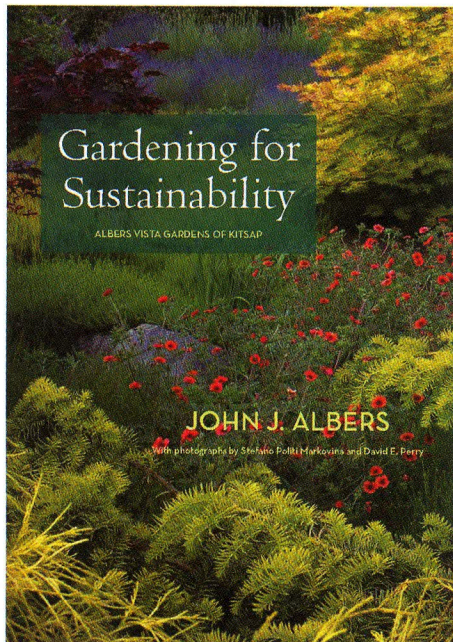
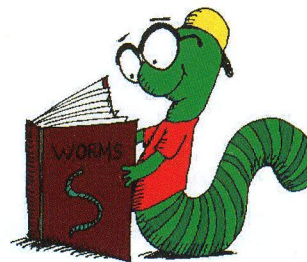


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Gardening for Sustainability: Albers Vista Gardens of Kitsap. John J. Albers, 2013. Vista Gardens Press, 118 pages, 8.25 x 11.25", \$26.95 (hardcover). This beautiful book will introduce Albers Vista, a little known botanical gem in Kitsap County, to a wider audience. The first section strolls the reader down each path, highlighting specimen and topography, which brought back fond memories of my visits there. Throughout the pages, the evolution of the landscape is revealed, as is Albers' deep knowledge and appreciation for plants. Part two discusses principles and methods for gardening with, not against the land, but the title might have been reversed, as the true and delightful focus is the garden itself. The book ends with a superb list of selected references (books and web pages) which also conveniently appear in the text where applicable.