

# Spring

## Home & Garden

SPECIAL SECTION



Plants grow under a covered garden bed at the community garden at Discovery Park in Bend on Wednesday.

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## Plan carefully for the perfect greenhouse

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**E**very gardener goes through their “if only” fantasy phase. Usually, the phase is followed by the dream of a greenhouse for the purpose of having fresh produce almost year-round.

We bought a house that had a small greenhouse, plus a majestic lava flow over the 2 acres. We loved rocks, and we loved gardening. It was a perfect match for us.

One small greenhouse leads to thoughts of a larger greenhouse. The winter of 1997 was busy with plotting and planning. Although we thought we had investigated all the aspects of building and production, in retrospect there were issues we hadn't even thought of.

Is there a greenhouse in your future? Before you make the plunge you may want to spend some time with pencil, paper and some self-analyzing.

- Ask yourself, how do I want to use the greenhouse? Seed starting? Year-round vegetable growing? Overwintering plants from the patio?

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