# Braga Farms

Redefining Local

Farmer Braga



### **Redefining Local?**

We are a family farm, growing and raising everything in the most natural and wholesome way possible. In an sub-urban neighborhood, on less than 1 acre, we grow over 45 different varieties of fruits and over 50 different vegetables throughout the different seasons.

- Only organic pest control methods (lady bugs and other carnivorous/beneficial insects).
- Only natural weed control techniques such as mulching, tarping and physical tillage/removal.
- Only organic soil amendments such as compost, mulching, and fertilizers.

Soon Plastic Free

### Before We Begin

- Who likes to garden?
  - Who has a garden at home?
  - Who doesn't have space?
- Who likes being outdoors?
- What are some benefits?
- What does it take to have a successful garden?



### What does it take?

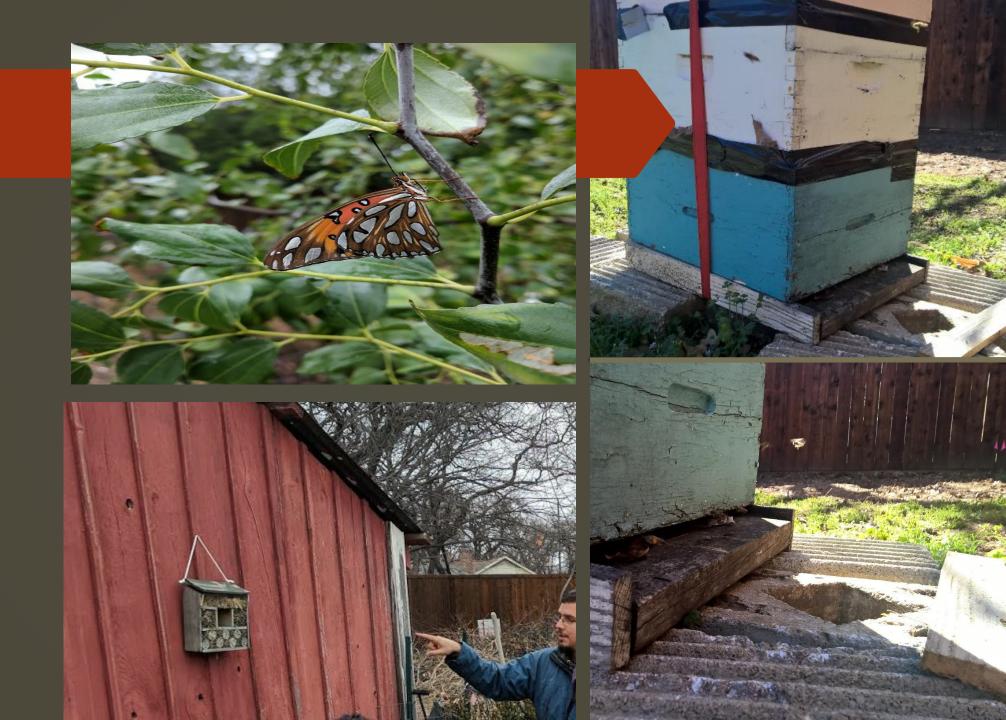
- Effort
- Patience
- Can't be scared

Start Small - 4' x 8'



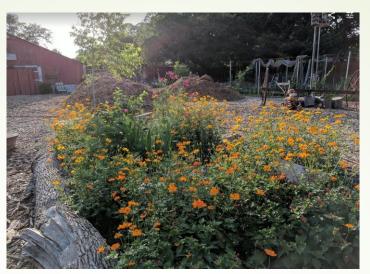
### Pollinators

- Bees are #1
- Humming Birds
- What Else?



### Flowers

- Attract Pollinators
- Balance Environment
- Look Pretty









# Lot's of Flowers

### Pests

- Caterpillars
- Stink Bugs
- Grasshoppers





# Animals

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- Grow what you want to eat.
- Grow what others want to eat.
- Grow what grows fast.
  - Radish 25 Days
  - Lettuce 50 Days



# Potting

# Where do you get seed?

- Local Stores
- ONLINE
  - Johnny's Seeds



### Texas Winters

- Radishes, 12 F. Most years, small, round varieties are cold hardy through winter
- Swiss Chard, 10 F. Along with being one of the prettiest plants in the winter garden, mixes like 'Bright Lights' produce all winter long
- Beets, 10 F
- Kale, 5 F



## Neighbors







# Starting Small





- Remove Weeds
- Remove Weeds
- Flip the dirt
- Mix with rich dirt or fertilizer
- Shape your bed



## Apartment Gardening Beautify Transform

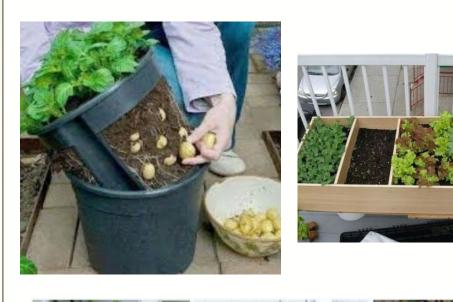
Enjoy

## Experiment

### Be Creative

### Have Fun

Never Give Up!













### What's next?

- Get to planting!
- Get to learning!
- Don't give up!
- Say hello to us on Social @bragafarmsDFW
- Visit us and other farmers at a local farmers market near you.
- Visit a farm and lend a hand!



# Questions?