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Get ready to can



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While gardens are just beginning to take shape, it is the perfect time to start thinking about preserving your homegrown foods and gathering the supplies to do so. It is always a good idea to purchase your supplies early, so you are not running to stores, hunting for hard-to-find items at the last minute. In recent years, we have seen an increase in interest in food preservation, and we anticipate some items may be difficult to find come harvest time. You can purchase canning supplies at many home goods store, farm supply stores, hardware stores, big box retailers, and even online.

If you are an experienced canner, you should inventory your supplies to see what you have on hand and what you need to purchase before heading to the store. If you are

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