

I LOVE STRAWBERRIES!

by Shannon Anderson

Jolie LOVES strawberries! She loves them so much she's determined to grow her very own plants. But her parents aren't sure she's ready. Jolie and her faithful rabbit, Munchy, find out just how fun – and complicated – it can be to grow your own food in this delicious story.



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Facts:

- There are over 100 farms growing strawberries on 140 plus acres in Georgia, mostly in the southern half of the state where it stays warm.
- The strawberry is the world's most popular berry used in smoothies, shortcakes, ice cream and pie. But they're super-sensitive to cold weather. Click here to find a strawberry farm near you!
- March through July in Georgia is strawberry weather.
- The average strawberry has 200 seeds.
- According to the USDA, Americans eat 3.4 lbs. of fresh strawberries a year and 1.8 lbs. of frozen strawberries a year.
- May is national strawberry month
- Strawberries are grown in every single U.S. state and Canadian province.
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Videos:

- Farm Monitor: Short-lived Retirement for Longtime Strawberry Growers
- Farm Monitor: Ag-Adventure Erin Learns How You Plant Lots of Strawberry Plants
- STRAWBERRY | How Does it Grow?
- Georgia Grown Strawberries

Activities:

- Eating Plants: Lesson for K-2
- Parts of a Strawberry Plant Poster
- Strawberry DNA Lab
- Strawberry Fluff Dip Recipe
- Chocolate Fruit Dip Recipe
- Plant strawberries in your garden
- Find a Certified Farm Market to pick strawberries
- Strawberry Coloring Page
- Free Printable Booklet: : Berry Good Project

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