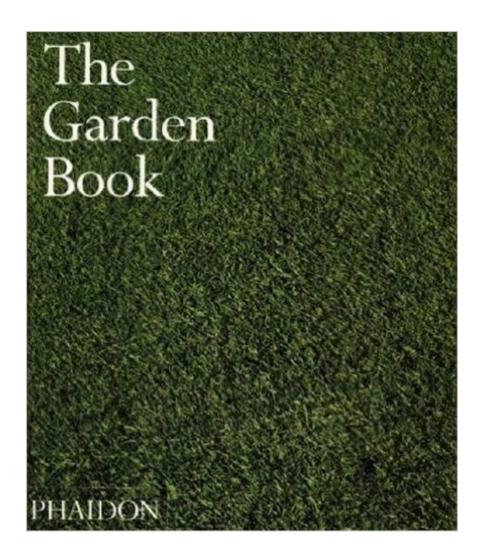
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The Garden Book





Synopsis

The Garden Book presents a diverse range of designers responsible for some of the most interesting and iconic gardens and landscapes of all time from around the world. Gardens of Ancient Persia, the Moguls of India, and the palaces of Chinese Emperors sit side by side with contemporary gardens from the United States and Europe. Like The Art Book, this book presents 500 designers in an A-Z format that departs from the usual emphasis on genres and time periods. The gardens are carefully selected, on the basis of key figures in landscape architecture, to illustrate the influence of each on the various traditions of gardening around the globe. They range, therefore, from the palaces of kings to the all-consuming passions - often bordering on obsession - of amateur enthusiasts. Written in an accessible way, the text explains the role of each chosen figure in the development of the garden, as well as the important changes to the garden over time. Each designer is represented by a full-page illustration, mostly in colour, of their most significant garden. Long-vanished wonders, such as the mythical gardens of Babylon, are illustrated by artists' impressions and engravings. Each page includes meticulous cross-references to other designers working in a similar style, movement or time period, as well as biographical information about the designer. The book also includes an easy-to-use glossary of terms and movements, as well as an extensive directory of gardens.

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If you enjoy looking thru formal gardens for ideas to implement at your place this should give you

plenty of them. Most people do not have the means that these folks did but it's fun to dream. This book is short on narration and long in the picture department. It has five hundred large color photos of every concieveable garden style from ancient persian and chinese into classical european stuff up to some contemprary wild gardens. Good book to get lost in.

Hundreds of full-page, color photos of gardens that illustrate an enormous range of garden designs and plants. I have used this book as inspiration for our family gardens. This is a wonderful collection to give a broad perspective from all over our planet.

I didnt get this book through but I did want to write a review for it. It is a wonderful book with almost 500 pages and ninety percent is in full color. If you love gardens this is like an encyclopedia for you. A lot of the pictures have architecture included in the picture which is as beautiful asthe garden themselves. There are also antique prints of garden designs which are also quite beautiful. Its like a trip around the world. Satisfying, relaxing and inspirational. For the prices listed here for the book, all of them are a real bargain.

wonderfull collection of gardens from different designers in alphabetical order. It is like a candy store, but on gardens. Each garden is presented on one page starting with a short description on the garden. also old gardens are described, even gardens of which only a painting is left of it. If you are not in the mood for reading, you can just enjoy the many photographs. A real must have for each garden lover.

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