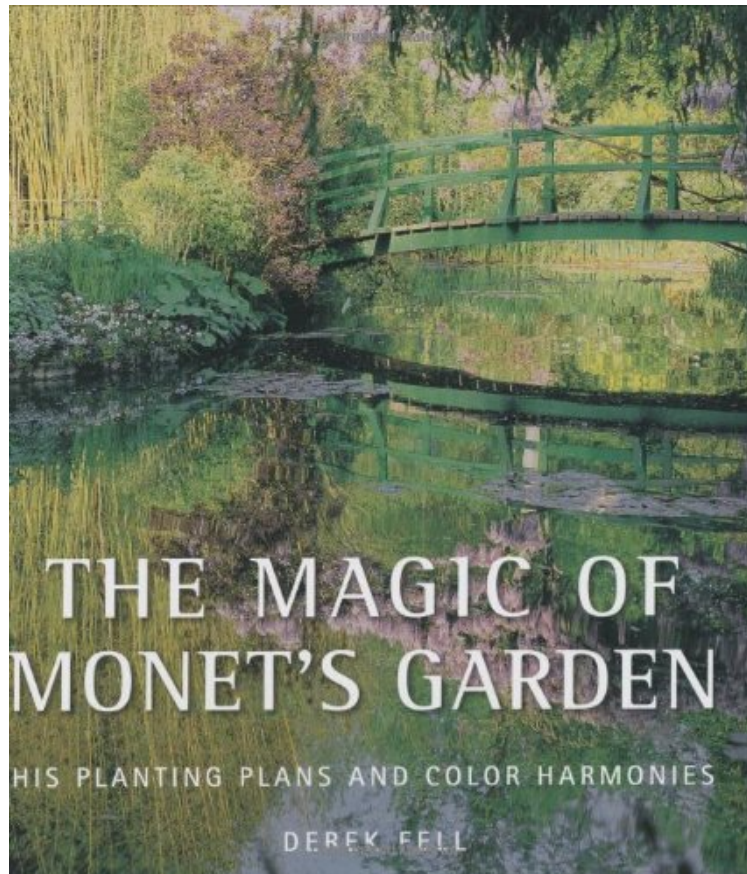


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"Gardening was something I learned in my youth. I perhaps owe having become a painter to flowers" - Claude Monet
Impressionist Claude Monet (1840-1926) created a magnificent five-acre garden that he considered to be his greatest artistic achievement. It was restored in 1980 and is now the most visited garden of its size in the Western world. With its spectacular color combinations and distinctive structural elements, the Monet garden at Giverny, France, inspires the dreams of thousands of gardeners. Award-winning garden writer and photographer Derek Fell has visited Giverny many times and always admired the beauty of its plantings and the subtle balance of colors. After years of carefully studying Monet's design and plantings, he shares the artist's secrets. In *The Magic of Monet's Garden*, Fell reveals Monet's breathtaking color harmonies and describes how the artist "painted" his living masterpiece. He guides the reader on how to scale down Monet's ideas for the home garden, with attention to: Understanding the laws of colors Building color harmonies Creating innovative combinations Recognizing the power of monochromatic plantings Using black in the garden Working with structure and form Building rhythm and surprise Capitalizing on sunlight and shadow Incorporating water features Attracting birds and butterflies. With 175 color photographs and illustrations and a dozen detailed planting plans, *The Magic of Monet's Garden* will inspire and instruct home gardeners to create their own versions of Giverny.

Gardening was French impressionist painter Monet's other passion. His garden at Giverny is featured in his paintings (e.g. the waterlilies series) and is a popular tourist destination. An award-winning garden designer/photographer offers a tour of the famous garden with some 200 lush color photographs, a landscape plan, biographical background, and details on Monet's favorite plants. The volume includes a Monet chronology (1840-1926), and information on visiting Giverny and other gardens and noteworthy places in Normandy. (Book News)Because Fell is a gardener, not an art historian, his beautiful photographs are blessed with captions that actually identify the plants pictured, sometimes down to the cultivar name. (Marianna Greene Dayton Daily News 2009-08-21)Glorious ... [Fell's] lifetime in horticulture coupled with a first class understanding of color has rendered a delicious treatise on the mechanics of this famous painter's garden. (Scripps Howard Wire Story)Here are more than 200 colour photographs and a dozen planting plans, and secrets for creating the luminescent quality of [Monet's] gardens. (The Globe and Mail 2007-12-15)You'll be inspired by Monet's color combinations ... for your own masterpiece.... When you're done you can boast to the neighborhood that you keep the Monet in the yard. (Style at Home 2007-12-31)Accompanied by beautiful illustrations that include colorful planting plans, drawings, and photographs, the text is in essence a lesson on how to design an artistic garden. (National Garden Clubs, Inc.)Offers a window into the mind of one of the great impressionist painters of the 19th and 20th centuries and one of the most gifted flower gardeners of the 20th century. (Joel M. Lerner The Washington Post 2007-12-08)Lush with images.... This book will be useful for any gardener who wants to understand how to combine plants and colours to create eye-catching effects.... But artists and those who appreciate beauty, -- even if they never pick up a trowel -- will enjoy some time meandering in Claude Monet's garden, (Carolyn Leitch Globe and Mail 2007-10-26)This recent offering from Fell is one to treasure. ... This book will appeal to photographers and to gardeners who can adapt Monet's concepts to add beauty to their garden. (Canadian Camera)Derek Fell reveals the great French painter's breathtaking color harmonies at Giverny and guides the reader on how to scale down his ideas for the home garden. (The National Post 2007-12-01)Fell, a renowned gardening writer, details many of the painter's gardening techniques, structural accents and favorite plants, with beautiful photographs and a number of helpful diagrams.... Fell's discussions of iridescence, underplantings, color combinations and Monet's use of white flowers to create shimmering effects are sure to inspire readers hoping to incorporate the painter's ideas in their own gardens. (Nancy Schoeffler The Hartford Courant 2007-12-07)This beauty will make your imagination soar. (Helen Halpenny The Lanark Era 2007-12-04)This beauty will make your imagination soar. (Helen Halpenny -Mirror (Westport, ON) 2007-12-20)A delicious treatise on the mechanics of [Monet's] garden... as valuable to the garden maker as it is to today's painter ... Most useful is the chapter on color harmonies or theory or why it works so well [and] the compendium of Monet's favorite plants.... For the gardener or the artist on your gift list, [this book] will soon be bruised and battered. (Maureen Gilmer Scripps Howard News Service 2008-12-08)[Fell's] photographs are the next best thing to visiting the living canvas that the famous Impressionist created.... 'The Magic of Monet's Garden' will delight artists and gardeners alike, and would be equally at home on the coffee table and in the garden shed. (Jessica Damiano Newsday (NY) 2007-10-25)Fell reveals Monet's breathtaking color harmonies and describes how the artist "painted" his living masterpiece. Over 175 color photographs and illustrations guide the reader on how to scale down Monet's ideas for the home garden, that will inspire and instruct home gardeners to create this own version of Giverny. (Rob Mooy Kingston This Week 2008-01-25)Fell offers a loving portrait of [Giverny], with glossy pictures and reproductions of Monet's paintings. (Milwaukee Journal Sentinel 2007-09-16)What a great gift this would be for lovers of art, history and garden design. (Marianne Binetti Seattle Post-Intelligencer 2007-10-13)I really enjoyed this book.... it gives insight into Monet's thinking and his love of Giverny, the garden he created. (Ian Munt Sudbury Star 2007-10-23)Offers a window into the mind of one of the great Impressionist painters of the 19th and 20th centuries and one of the most gifted flower gardeners of the 20th century. (St. Petersburg Times 2007-12-08)My favourite this year ... With text and his usual exquisite photos, Fell explains the secrets of colour and planting the artist used in

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