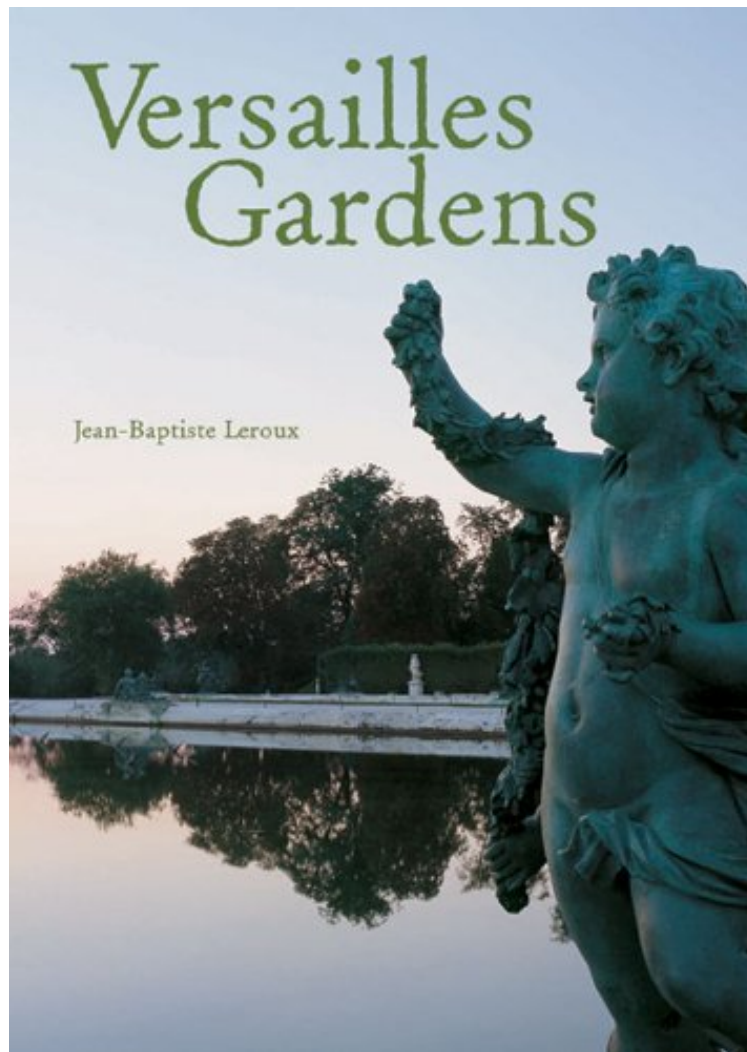


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Beatrix Saule : Versailles Gardens before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Versailles Gardens:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This volume is out rated only by the experience of a day spent at Versailles. By Rory and Sophie A lovely volume of extraordinary photographs and historical information. The day I was so lucky to spend in the buildings and gardens of Versailles comes alive as I regard this lovely book. 18 of 19 people found the following review helpful. Great Pictures.... but kinda small By Michael Thompson I'm going to be honest - I bought this book to more-or-less "complete" my collection of books on Versailles. The photos in this book are okay (any tourist could have done it, and the first two photos were shot through window to the interior so you can actually see a reflection the photographer). The majority of them have been shot from places most tourists wouldn't

normally think to take a picture, which is good, but they're very small because the book itself is small, so you're not going to get the feeling that you're actually standing in the gardens at Versailles. I got the hardcover edition and it is really thick for such a small book, so it's a bit hard to keep open (the paperback MIGHT be slightly easier to use). Also, there is virtually no text accompanying the photos other than the tiny captions telling when and where the photo was taken, and a bit of text in the very back of the book - as an appendix. I don't know about you, but I like to know something about what it is I'm looking at. So, if you're looking for a book with detailed descriptions of the gardens, and intense, true-to-life photos that will make you feel as if you're really there, then this is NOT the book for you. If you only want a book with decent photos and don't mind a little struggling to keep it open, then you'll probably like it. I'm not planning to return it, but I don't find myself running back to it time, and time again. Get the paperback - it's cheaper!

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Breathtaking pictures!
By Customer
The pictures in this book, by photographer Jean-Baptiste Leroux, are breathtaking. Somewhat in the style of the painter Claude Monet, many of the pictures are taken of various fountains, walk-ways, and other areas of the gardens at different times of day and in different types of weather. Another reviewer said that one can see the shadow of the photographer in some of these pictures, but they are actually reflections of nearby statues and other objects in the gardens. I only gave this book four stars because it is hard to keep open and I wish that the pictures were bigger. Although, the smaller size does allow the book to be more affordable.

A stunning study of the formal gardens in the park of France's palace of Versailles describes the work of Louis XIV, gardener Andr e Le N tre, artist Hardouin-Mansart, and architect Charles Le Brun in the creation of the gardens, in a volume that features more than four hundred full-color illustrations. Simultaneous.

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