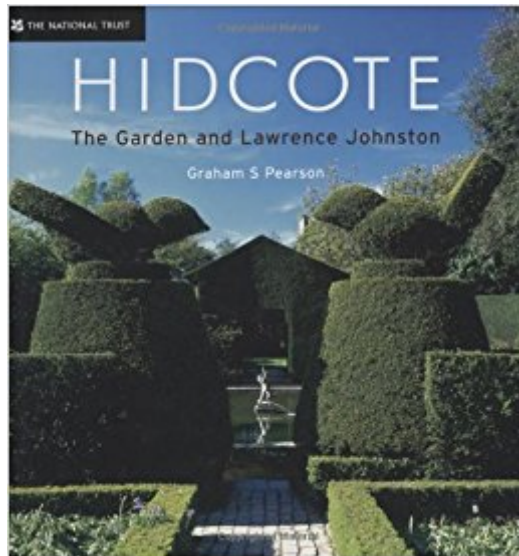




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Hidcote: The Garden And Lawrence Johnston



Synopsis

Often described as "the most beautiful garden in England," Hidcote is a jewel in England's horticultural history. The garden's creator, Lawrence Johnston, was inspired by many of the Arts and Crafts design ideas at the turn of the 20th century. From 1907 this intriguing American-born plant hunter transformed 10 acres of Gloucestershire hillside into one of the world's most influential gardens, a complex mixture of hedged "rooms" and vistas, lavish planting, and simpler, informal areas. Today, it is one of the most popular gardens in the country, with more than 130,000 visitors every year. The book covers the history of this stunning garden, including its fascinating creator who fused planting ideas from various parts of the world while making Hidcote. In addition, Anna Pavord's text illuminates the garden as it is today with a wonderful literary and visual tour around the garden in spring, summer, and fall.

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"The garden at Hidcote is one of the most beautiful in Britain, yet the story has been hidden - until now." The Scotsman Magazine

Graham S. Pearson has worked at Hidcote Manor Garden for several years, delighting visitors with his insight and knowledge of the place and encouraging all those who come to look deeper into its charms.

I purchased this book because when I was actually at Hidcote I neglected to buy it and regretted the decision later. The book is an excellent one, covering all aspects of the garden well. The photos are beautiful and a true representation. Hidcote is one of England's best, and for lovers of gardens, a must see. If one can't actually be there, pacify yourself with this book.

Excellent detailed description of the history of the garden. Good bird's eye view of the garden makes it easy to follow locations. Overall descriptions of individual gardens but for me not enough details on plants. Nice planting plan drawing of the red border. Wished other areas had been detailed in the same way. Of the current books on Hidcote this is by far the best.

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