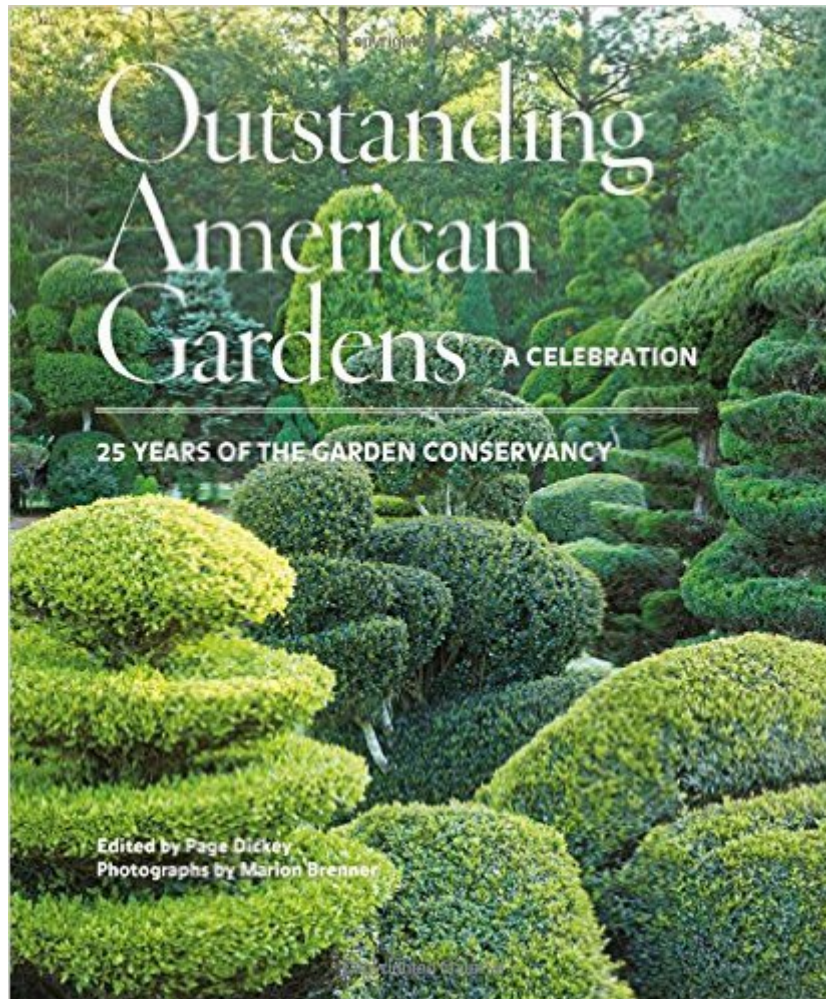


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# Outstanding American Gardens: A Celebration: 25 Years Of The Garden Conservancy



## Synopsis

The Garden Conservancy is celebrating its 25th anniversary with this beautifully illustrated book that documents a selection of the outstanding public and private gardens it has worked with since its founding in 1989. The book showcases eight gardens the conservancy has helped preserve and 43 of the more than 3,000 private gardens across the country that have been opened to the public through its Open Days Program. The private gardens cover a wide variety of regions, habitats, designs, and plants, from early spring through autumn. Featured private gardens include Panayoti Kelaidis's rock garden in Denver, Colorado; Deborah Whigham and Gary Ratway's collection of native and Mediterranean plants and earth walls in Albion, California; and James David's imaginative mix of heat-tolerant plants, rills, and pools in Austin, Texas.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a very frustrating book. There are beautiful pictures of bits and pieces of gorgeous gardens, but nothing that shows the full garden. No layouts, no design information, no plant selections to speak of. Just a closeup of a flower bed here, one angle of a garden room there, the wall of a house over here... The book is almost too aggravating to read. The text spends more time talking about the garden owners and the Conservancy than it does about the garden itself, and you certainly have no real sense of each garden after reading the book. I looked up online some of the gardens I'd liked best because I couldn't tell what they were actually like. This book is far more a Conservancy ad than a useful or beautiful garden book.

This lavish book celebrates the Garden Conservancy's preservation projects as well as a selection of private gardens nationwide. It is a delight to behold, from its handsome design to the beautifully illustrated spreads on individual gardens, all photographed to perfection by Marion Brenner. It is a rare opportunity to take a peek at some of America's most innovative new gardens that clearly show the diversity of climate, traditions, and design talent across the country.

I liked the book. I immediately went outside and mowed my lawn, watered my sorry plants and trimmed my bushes. Gorgeous gardens. Easy to see how some creative types could get some dynamite ideas for their homes and gardens. Very impressive. The book and the beautiful gardens. Arranged by geographical location in the USA, thereby giving different residents of said areas some ideas as to what their gardens could be.

This covers only a few gardens that seem to be connected to people in the organization that published the book.

Great Gift for someone who gardens!

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this book is a treasure house of beautiful american gardens. the different locales and types of gardens are given excellent coverage in one volume.

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