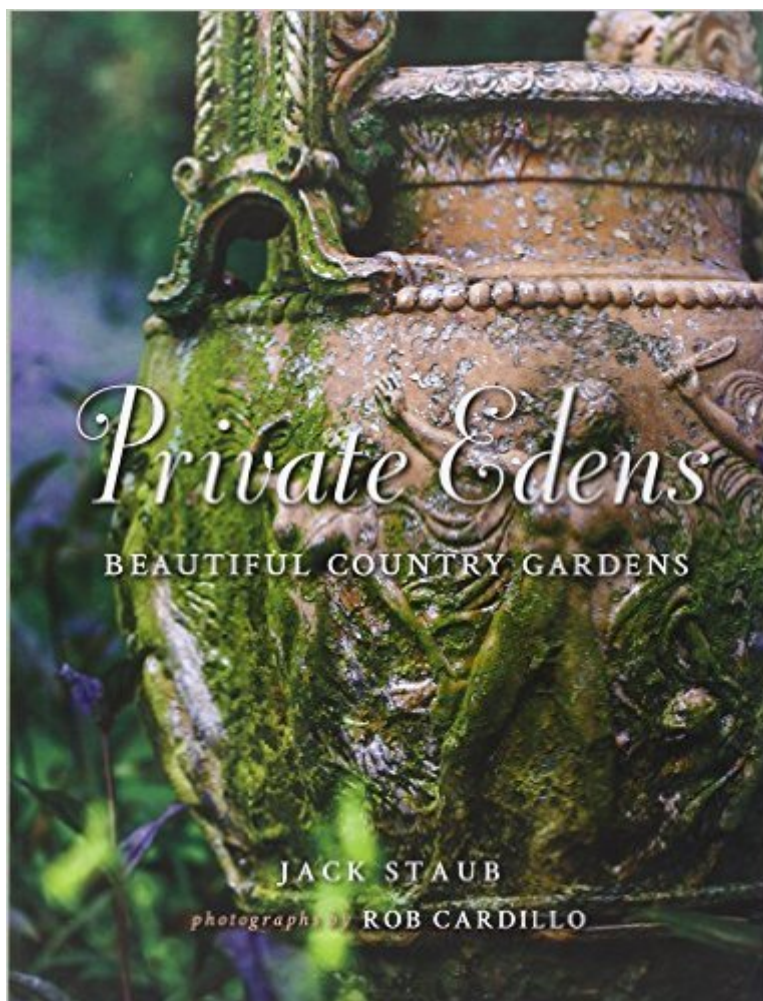


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# Private Edens: Beautiful Country Gardens



## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

The other reviewers are correct that the 21 gardens featured in "Private Edens" are all very beautiful gardens, and many readers will enjoy the beautiful photos. However, I was disappointed with this book for a number of reasons:1. As someone who loves flowers, I was disappointed that most of the gardens seem to be shady gardens, filled with hostas, ferns and other foliage plants. There are a few photos of traditional perennial or mixed flower borders, but not many. I love country gardens and live in a sun-filled midwestern one myself, and I guess I envision farm-like places surrounded by open fields when I think of "country gardens." Although there are a couple in this book that fit that description, most of the gardens are surrounded by forests or deep within forests. Perhaps this is because these gardens are all in the eastern United States, where wealthy people prefer to live surrounded by dense trees?2. To compound the "shady" feeling of this book, nearly every photo is

taken in the shade, on overcast days or with a lens filter that renders the photo dim and shady in feeling. I am not a garden photographer myself, and understand that it's difficult to take good garden photos in bright sunlight, which is why most photos are taken in early morning or evening, yet these photos still seem shadier than usual. Perhaps this is because most of the gardens are surrounded by dense trees, which in morning and evening cast long shadows across even the areas that I know must receive good sunlight during the day, based on the thriving sun-loving perennials growing there. But still, nearly all shade, all the time.<sup>3</sup>.

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