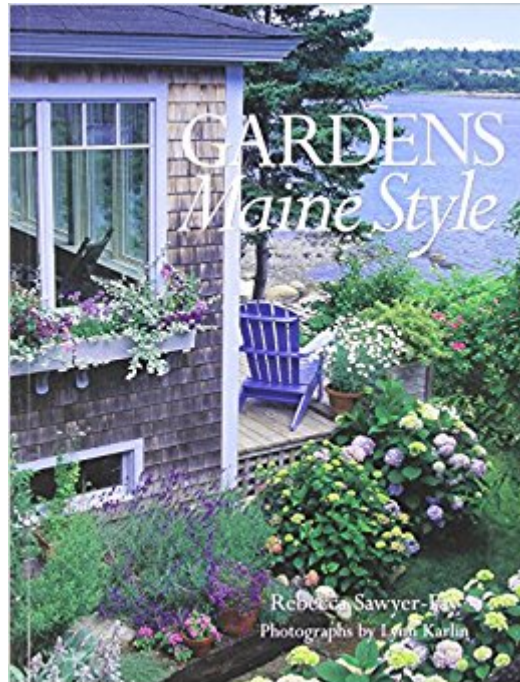




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Gardens Maine Style



Synopsis

Ever wonder what lies beyond the garden wall? Now at last it's possible to peek over all those fences and gates and enjoy a close-up look at some of Maine's most extraordinary private landscapes. Photographer Lynn Karlin and writer Rebecca Sawyer-Fay take readers on a guided tour of some of their favorite gardens around the state, gardens grand as well as offbeat. Town gardens and country gardens, camp, cottage, and seaside gardens—they're all here in 248 glorious color photographs brimming with ideas and inspiration. Gardens Maine Style is nothing less than a celebration of the can-do spirit of Maine gardeners, who succeed despite extremes of weather, a short growing season, an abundance of rocks, and even salt spray. Discover where some of the most accomplished gardeners in the Northeast buy their plants, and where they go to find one-of-a-kind containers and outdoor sculpture—garden-oriented antiques shops, co-ops, and salvage retailers are all included. A collaboration between two nationally known garden journalists, Gardens Maine Style is also your guide to acclaimed historic landscapes around the state, some still in the hands of families that designed and planted them more than a century ago. Included, as well, are legendary gardens now open to the public, among them Bernard McLaughlin's charming and highly personal oasis in South Paris, and the restored Hamilton House Gardens in South Berwick. A book for armchair gardeners, home gardeners, and garden tourists, Gardens Maine Style makes it easy to take home a bit of Maine magic, no matter where you live.

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Customer Reviews

Rebecca Sawyer-Fay has written for, and served on the editorial staffs of several magazines, including Country Living Gardener, House Beautiful, Yachting, The New Yorker, and Country Living. She lives in Camden, Maine. Award-winning photographer Lynn Karlin has been photographing gardens for three decades. Her work has appeared in Country Living Gardener, Gardens Illustrated, Down East, and other publications, as well as in the books Maine Farm: A Year of Country Life and Gardens Maine Style, Act II. She lives in Belfast, Maine.

Wanted more of a how to. The pictures are beautiful though.

As a Maine gardener this is a lovely book. Great pictures and info... I have enjoyed reading and viewing the beautiful gardens and pictures!

This is just a wonderful book and one of two in a series.

This is a model garden book. The superb photographs provide the backbone of the book. The text is short, not filled out with unnecessary words copied from other garden books as is often the case. The photos show what is working in other peoples' gardens and are replete with good ideas.

Guess everyone has a secret fantasy of living on an Island in Maine. The view of the water and the charming New England architecture seem so perfect. Here is a book featuring gorgeous photos of flower gardens in Maine (almost all seem to be located by the sea). Why can't my garden look like that? Until someday I move to Maine, I will just enjoy the fantastic pictures in the book.

This book is very inspiring, brilliant and incredibly colorful. It showcases some of the great variety of gardens, and also points out the challenges that face the gardener in this northern most New England state. It is well designed, with many large photos, and the reading is very easy, but informative. The photos have been chosen to inspire and delight, and the captions are hardworking-explaining tasks and identifying the plants. A very beautiful piece of work!

This is a fairly good and helpful book on gardening in Maine. Being a citizen of Maine myself I know a thing or two about gardening up here, for instance there is a very short season here. If you have trouble gardening, no matter what type, being herb, vegetable, spices, fruits, or even trees this book

will most likely give you some long awaited answers. This book even shows you how to garden indoors for those times you don't feel like getting eaten by bugs. So if you love gardening then this is a fairly good choice, but look into some other books first.

This book is more of a coffee table kind of book. The photos are beautiful, but I wish there were more descriptors, more info on the plantings themselves.

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