



Perfect Book for the Holidays!

Outstanding American Gardens: A Celebration—25 Years of the Garden Conservancy
Stunning Photographs and Evocative Narrative
Will Keep the Magic of the Garden Alive All Year Long

(Garrison, NY, Oct. 27, 2015) . . . Garden enthusiasts, landscape architects, artists, history buffs, Americana aficionados, and those who simply enjoy magnificent outdoor spaces are loving the new book, *Outstanding American Gardens: A Celebration—25 Years of the Garden Conservancy* (Abrams; ISBN: 978-1-61769-165-2).

As the only nonprofit dedicating to saving and sharing outstanding public and private gardens in the US, the Garden Conservancy has a unique perspective to bring to gardening. Close to 200 sumptuous photographs by the renowned Marion Brenner showcase the diversity of American gardens—encompassing virtually every conceivable climate, soil condition, and garden type. The 272-page keepsake book, edited by esteemed garden writer Page Dickey, features 50 different gardens from coast to coast. It deserves to be on everyone's holiday wish list and will delight long after the season is over.

"Gardens stimulate all five senses. They bring beauty, spirituality, and solace into daily life," says Jenny du Pont, President and CEO of the Garden Conservancy. "American gardens are like American culture. They blend old and new into something completely original."

Here are just a few of the reviews:

"I just discovered a new and beautiful book called 'Outstanding American Gardens.' It celebrates 25 years of the Garden Conservancy, established to prevent important gardens from fading away . . . at least a quarter of the 50 gardens include fruits and vegetables." – **Washington Post**

"From Connecticut to California, the best gardens in America are showcased in a new book." – **Architectural Digest**

"When 'Outstanding American Gardens: A Celebration' crossed our desk, we thought, Oh, Connecticut lilacs and Virginia dogwoods. Then we opened it. Of the 50 public and private properties in this volume, 14 are, in fact, in the West . . ." Rated "Best Landscapes" – Sunset Magazine

"Featuring incredibly beautiful and clever gardens from every corner of the U.S. (including nine from the South), it'll have you drooling down your shirt in five minutes. So wear a bib." – **Southern Living**

"... [The book covers] a range of styles and elements, from historic to modernist designs, traditional to exotic materials, and all levels of sustainability, including organic and xeric." – **The Oregonian**

"The tome, edited by Page Dickey and beautifully photographed by Marion Brenner, accurately portrays the diversity found among gardens, from cottage and formal to vegetable and perennial, and desert to tropical." – **Newsday**

Available at local garden retailers and bookstores across the country, *Outstanding American Gardens: A Celebration – 25 Years of the Garden Conservancy* can also be purchased at your favorite online retailer such as Amazon and Barnes&Noble.com. More info at www.gardenconservancy.org

Don't miss this opportunity to give the American interpretation of this age-old art form to the garden enthusiast on your shopping list.