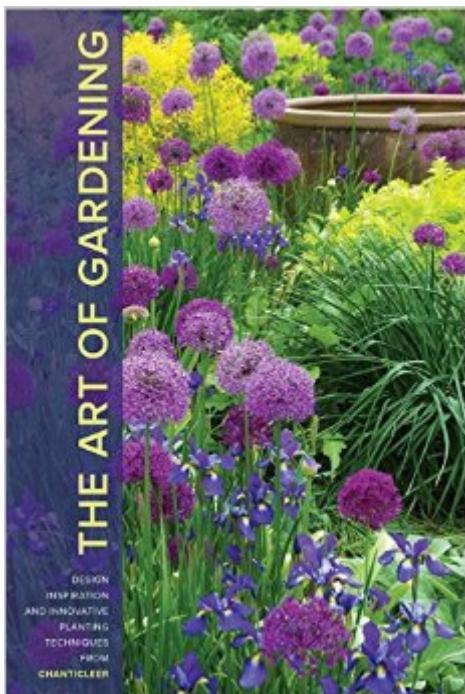


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# The Art Of Gardening: Design Inspiration And Innovative Planting Techniques From Chanticleer



## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

For more than half a century I've been reading books which purport to tell about the art of gardening, and this is the first I've found that does it comprehensively, in clear and enjoyable essays written with style! The writing is accompanied by exquisite photos that those familiar with Chanticleer will recognize as authentic portrayals of the place, not staged tableaux. The writing is by those who have done what they describe; the creative, highly motivated gardeners who participate in the process of gardening under the maestro of the garden, Bill Thomas. The controlled complexity and richness of the plant and non-plant palette is well-described for gardeners who are ready for the

art. It is definitely not a book for beginners who want to know about mulch, composting, disease control and herbicides. Nor is it a book for those whose holy grail is the low maintenance garden. While the photos show the beauty that can be created by fine gardeners, it is really about the process of creating that beauty. If this is what you are searching for, look no further.

This is a lovely book with beautiful pictures and scenes as well as good information from Chanticleer - the garden in Pennsylvania. This was also a gift for a gifted gardener. The book describes the different areas of the gardens and the planning and plants for each. A great gift for a gardener = beautiful photos and good practical information for the hands-on gardener.

Been waiting to receive this book and I was not disappointed. Fantastic number of photos all with their botanical names for great reference. Certainly is a wonderful public garden in the States, growing a large variety of plants. The size of the book is good, slightly better than my other book on Chanticleer. Whilst the photos are not glossy, they depict the plants and scene rather well. Great read. An inspired book for Xmas.

I have visited Chanticleer many times. It is my favorite garden bar none! This book is so amazing! The photographs capture the voluptuousness of the garden which changes from season to season. It is an earthly delight. And everyone who works there contributed background to the different sections of the gardens and the philosophy of the garden. Bill Thomas is the keeper of the garden and the love of the garden shows in every page! If you have never been there it is an absolute must see! If you can't, the book will tempt you sorely to pick up and go anyway.

In the nearly 100 gardens I visited in 2015, Chanticleer Garden in Wayne, PA was by far the most inspiring. I came home and implemented design ideas from a Northeast Garden into my Southwest Landscape. Bill Thomas is the executive director and head gardener of Chanticleer and in the introduction he says the "book aims to be a conversation between our staff and you. . . Our garden exists to inspire and is filled with ideas to try at home." Chanticleer is a pleasure garden and all of the gardeners are artists creating in paint, wood, stone, metal, clay and plants. Their work is intricately woven into this beautiful place. Their inspiring prose and shared ideas make you love gardens even more. The book focuses on design and plants. My copy is conveniently digital. The hardback edition is so beautiful it begs for prime placement in your home. The Chanticleer property is a 1976 gift of Adolph & Janet Rosengarten Jr. They created a foundation establishing the mission

of the garden to operate the property as a beautiful public garden, maintain the house as a museum and educate amateur and professional gardeners. • Adolph wrote One of the great joys of my life has been gardening. It's a wonderful way to express yourself. To create a garden is to search for a better world. • If this is your goal, this is your book.

Wonderful eye candy for me. With its' photos, the book is an enjoyable read for anyone who loves to be in a beautiful garden. My first read through is purely armchair travel. I intend to refer back to this book for inspiration for my own garden in the future.

Beautiful photography and stunning juxtapositions in both texture and color, clearly master eyes at work. My only quibble is that some of the images look crowded and busy--but hard to assess whether that's true in reality as I have not yet had the pleasure of visiting in person.

A wealth of design ideas, inspiration, and beautiful photos. I can't wait to visit!!

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