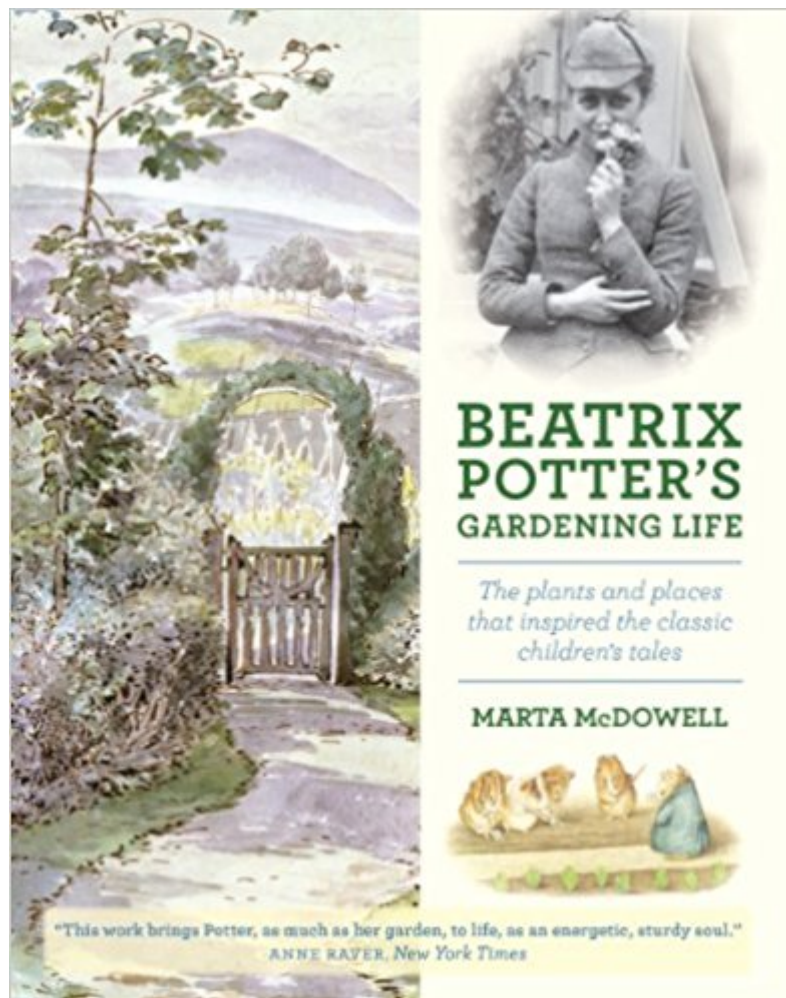


The book was found

Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life: The Plants And Places That Inspired The Classic Children's Tales



Synopsis

• An enchanting and original account of Beatrix Potter's life and her love of plants and gardening. • Judy Taylor, vice president of the Beatrix Potter Society There aren't many books more beloved than The Tale of Peter Rabbit and even fewer authors as iconic as Beatrix Potter. More than 150 million copies of her books have sold worldwide and interest in her work and life remains high. And her characters "Peter Rabbit, Jemima Puddle Duck, and all the rest" exist in a charmed world filled with flowers and gardens. Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life is the first book to explore the origins of Beatrix Potter's love of gardening and plants and show how this passion came to be reflected in her work. The book begins with a gardener's biography, highlighting the key moments and places throughout her life that helped define her, including her home Hill Top Farm in England's Lake District. Next, the reader follows Beatrix Potter through a year in her garden, with a season-by-season overview of what is blooming that truly brings her gardens alive. The book culminates in a traveler's guide, with information on how and where to visit Potter's gardens today.

Book Information

Hardcover: 340 pages

Publisher: Timber Press (November 5, 2013)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1604693630

ISBN-13: 978-1604693638

Product Dimensions: 6.6 x 1.1 x 8.3 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.7 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars • See all reviews • (108 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #53,541 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #8 in Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Gardening & Landscape Design > Essays #18 in Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Genres & Styles > Children's Literature #24 in Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Gardening & Landscape Design > Garden Design

Customer Reviews

A Review of "Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life" The plants and places that inspired the classic children's tales By Marta McDowell Only rarely in a reader's life will a book come along a book that is so perfectly suited for the reader's character that it brings out the schoolgirl in her and perhaps a squeal of delight and a series of silly, wistful sighs. Reader, that is what Marta McDowell's latest

book has done for me. I admit I didn't exactly love her book on Emily's Dickinson's garden but perhaps it was just my lack of enthusiasm for Dickinson herself that underwhelmed me. What a contrast is this treasure before me now. Shall I tell you all the things I love about it? The cover is what delights the eyes at once. Part of the wonder of Beatrix Potter was that she was an amazingly accomplished artist, even from a young age. The cover is beautiful and includes a watercolor of a sweet garden gate, another of a handful of adorable little guinea pigs busy at their vegetable patch (both done by Potter, of course) and a wonderful old black and white photograph of Potter herself looking young and radiant with a posy under her nose. The colors are charming in the way that all her watercolors are. Of course that sent me, with schoolgirl squeals, diving into the book where I was happy to discover a most generous selection of photographs and examples of her art; watercolors, sketches and even maps of the places important in her life. The book is organized into three main parts. The first is about her life in general and all the people and places that influenced her work and her gardening. The photographs of these people and places are the best collection of such that I've seen. The second part is about "The Year in Beatrix Potter's Garden".

Marta McDowell's "Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life" is almost sure to delight all who lovingly remember the stories of Peter Rabbit, Squirrel Nutkin, and Jemima Puddle-Duck which readied us for meeting Mole, Water Rat, Toad, and Badger. Even better, if these admirers of Beatrix Potter are slightly mad about gardens and wander in their dreams among the dreaming spires of English foxgloves & delphiniums. (In this review, as in McDowell's book, Beatrix Potter is sometimes referred to as Beatrix, sometimes as Beatrix Potter, and after her marriage, sometimes as Mrs. Heelis. Hopefully, this won't be confusing.) This richly created book offers on almost every page superbly reproduced water colors of landscapes, plants, and the small creatures of hedgerow and streams, or photographs of the more than 10 homes in which Beatrix lived and gardened. No one, not even Durer, has drawn bunnies like Beatrix Potter, bunnies with the softest fur, and on p. 106, the roundest tummies, as six lie together sleeping off the soporific effects of a lettuce orgy. Part One of this three part tale describes Beatrix Potter's life in McDowell's framework of a plant: germination, offshoots, flowering, roots, ripening, and setting seed (140 pages bursting with the child's precociously talented paintings through her final flowering as a conservationist who wills 4,000 acres of Lake District lands to the National Trust). Beatrix was the only daughter of second generation wealth. To her supremely status-conscious parents, almost no one was good enough for her company or her love, making her early life lonely. She turned to drawing & botanical research.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life: The Plants and Places That Inspired the Classic Children's Tales
Ultimate Gardening Book: 5 Gardening Books in 1: Square Foot Gardening, Container Gardening,
Urban Homesteading, Straw Bale Gardening, Vertical Gardening Gardening Books - 4 Manuscripts
- Square Foot Gardening Guide, Gardening: A Beginners Guide, Straw Bale Gardening,
Hydroponics Beginners Gardening Guide Gardening For Entrepreneurs: Gardening Techniques For
High Yield, High Profit Crops (Farming For Profit, Gardening For Profit, High Yield Gardening) The
Not-So Itty-Bitty Spiders (Olive & Beatrix #1) (Olive and Beatrix) Beatrix Potter: The Complete Tales
Beatrix Potter the Complete Tales (Peter Rabbit) Beatrix Potter The Complete Tales (Peter Rabbit)
(Illustrated) The Best-Ever Step-By-Step Kid's First Gardening: Fantastic Gardening Ideas For 5-12
Year Olds, From Growing Fruit And Vegetables And Fun With Flowers To Wildlife Gardening And
Craft Projects BEATRIX POTTER Ultimate Collection - 22 Children's Books With Complete Original
Illustrations: The Tale of Peter Rabbit, The Tale of Jemima Puddle-Duck, ... Moppet, The Tale of
Tom Kitten and more Square Foot Gardening with Kids: Learn Together: - Gardening Basics -
Science and Math - Water Conservation - Self-sufficiency - Healthy Eating (All New Square Foot
Gardening) Beatrix Potter and the Unfortunate Tale of a Borrowed Guinea Pig Beatrix Potter and
Bunnykins: Price Guide The Beatrix Potter Knitting Book Needlepoint Designs After Illustrations by
Beatrix Potter: Charted for Easy Use (Dover needlework series) A Beatrix Potter Treasury Harry
Potter: The Creature Vault: The Creatures and Plants of the Harry Potter Films Better Homes and
Gardens Gardening Made Simple: The Complete Step-by-Step Guide to Gardening Pollinator
Friendly Gardening: Gardening for Bees, Butterflies, and Other Pollinators The Ultimate Guide to
Raised Bed, Vegetable, Companion, Greenhouse, and Container Gardening for Beginners:
Gardening Box Set #1

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)