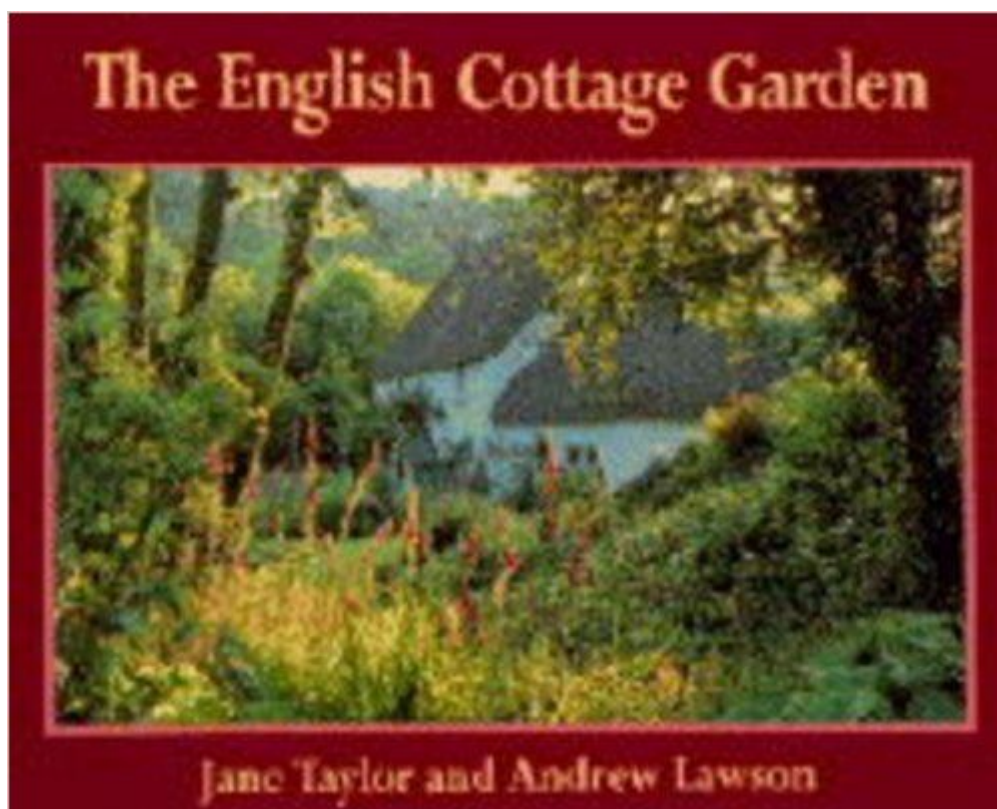


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# The English Cottage Garden (Country Series, No. 34)



## Synopsis

The cottage garden of today derives from two strands: the subsistence culture of the original cottagers, who grew the vegetables and herbs they needed, and the romantic notions of the gentry who, from around the seventeenth century, started to build larger cottage-style houses. The English Cottage Garden is loosely arranged as a stroll around an idyllic garden. With Jane Taylor as our guide, we enter through the wicket gate and up the garden path, discussing the medicinal and culinary herbs in the adjacent borders, take a quick lesson on the quirky art of topiary, relax on a garden seat beneath a shady bower, breathing in the fragrance of lavender and lily of the valley, admire the climbing roses and fruit growing up the cottage wall, and then inspect the greenhouse and outbuildings. Finally, we are shown a medley of flowers: some traditional, some transplanted from woodland and meadow, and some of the more sophisticated and exotic flowers now integrated into many a cottage garden.

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## Customer Reviews

I went to England for the first time and loved the countryside! It is so vibrant. My own photographs have never turned out very well so I bought this book while I was there to capture the England that I fell in love with. It has a wide range of beautifully photographed cottages and gardens. I am online buying 2 more copies as gifts for friends.

This book is just chocked full of photos of old English Cottages and gardens,two loves of mine. It is a trip to an earlier time with information included about each photo and a bit of history thrown in.

This is book number 34 of an extended series about the English Countryside. Lovely book, I would love to acquire all the titles. A definite positive addition to any lover of English Cottage Gardens!

If you've been to the UK, gardens might be one of the things you remember best about your visit. I love the mass planting and the visually busy look of an English cottage garden. This book represents those gardens faithfully. The photos are just gorgeous and there is enough information about the plantings to help you design your own cottage garden. Apartment dwellers can just sit and sign and live vicariously through the photos. A thoroughly lovely book.

My English born and raised wife loves this book. She is really into gardening, and is trying to make ours look as English as possible, (a real challenge in Texas at times). The photos are wonderful and capture the essence of these delightful gardens.

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