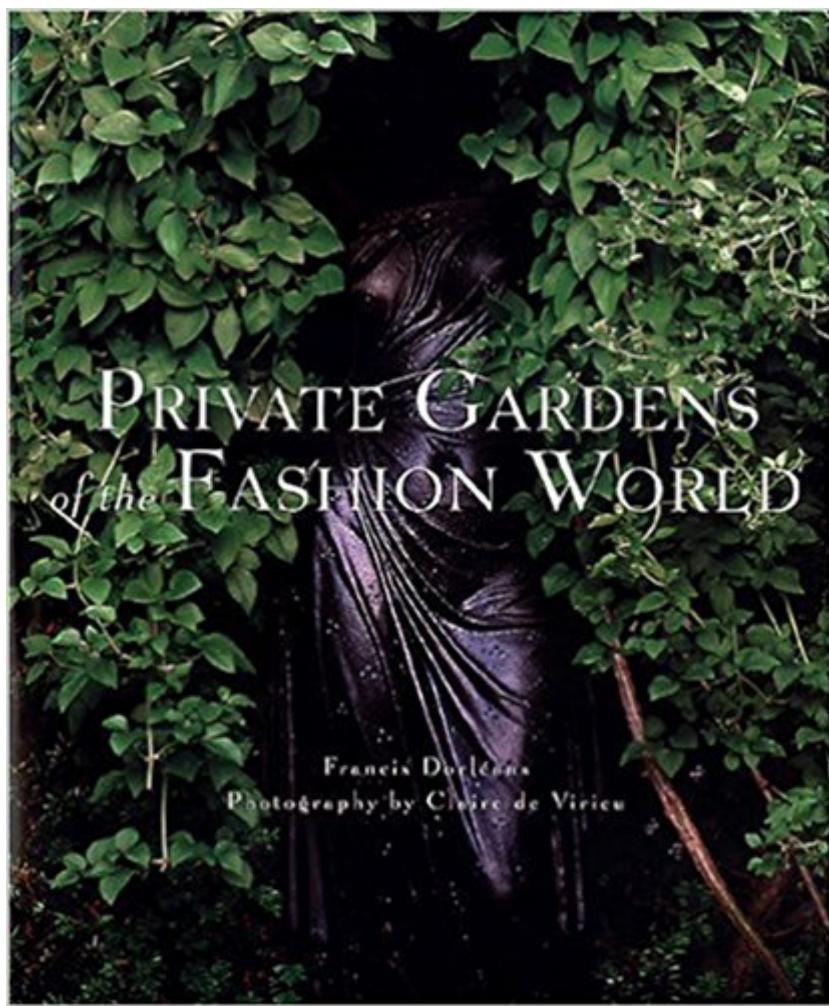


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# Private Gardens Of The Fashion World



## **Synopsis**

Like their finest designs for the runway, the gardens of the couturiers are exquisite creations of color, texture, line, shape, and form. This lavishly illustrated volume takes the reader on a private tour of the gardens of nearly a score of the most renowned fashion designers in the world. Guided by the extraordinary eye of the photographer Claire de Virieu and the illuminating pen of author Francis d'Orleans, the reader is invited to savor the formal elegance of Hubert de Givenchy's garden in Normandy and the *joie de vivre* of his garden in the south of France; the bold exoticism of Yves Saint Laurent's garden in Marrakech; the timeless grace of Valentino's garden in Tuscany; the luxuriant grandeur of Oscar de la Renta's garden in Connecticut; the quaint charm of Hardy Amies's garden in the Cotswolds, and many others. On this leisurely stroll the reader will also come upon the designers themselves, each of whom is photographed in his or her garden. Stunningly beautiful and sensuous, *Gardens of Fashion* is sure to be irresistible to followers of fashion trends and garden lovers alike.

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Claire de Virieu is a garden photographer whose work has been published in a number of books, including the series "Small Books of Great Gardens" (Vendome), and in such magazines as Architectural Digest, Marie-Claire Maison, Elle Decor, and Madame Figaro. Francis d'Orlans is a feature writer for French Vogue.

Fashion designers take their inspiration from many sources, and this book shows how they find

designs and ideas in their own private gardens. The pictures in this book were really what caught my eye, they are absolutely gorgeous. Lush foliage, bright and exotic flowers, country gardens, it is all in this book. I always find it interesting to see where designers are "coming from", and this book did a great job of showing how designers can take inspiration from what is around them, and also how their design ideas take hold not just in clothes, but in their own private world as well. I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoys a unique look at fashion, and how fashion intertwines with real life and gardening.

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