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Bonsai: A Patient Art





Synopsis

With fresh, elegant photography, this stunning volume presents more than sixty living bonsai masterpieces from the renowned collection of the Chicago Botanic Garden. Each patiently nurtured tree is presented at the peak of its seasonal beauty; each embodies the quiet energy and beauty of the art of bonsai. In an engaging opening essay, the book introduces the practice and philosophy of bonsai, its spiritual resonance, and its horticultural sophistication. Then alongside each treeâ [™]s portrait, is a short, thoughtful discussion of the species and style of the tree as well as its individual history and character. Readers will cherish this superbly conceived and designed book while gaining a new appreciation for the living masterpieces that inspired it.

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Customer Reviews

This is a very inspirational book of pictures taken of bonsai trees in the collection of the Chicago, Illinois, USA Botanical Gardens. For the bonsai hobbyist this book can inspire and encourage in how to use different species in the creation of bonsai. This is not a how to or beginners book. IF you know someone who has been doing bonsai for a long time and want to inspire them this book would make a great gift. This book should not be given to a bonsai beginner.

Really lovely book. Beautiful photographs. I don't know much about bonsai so the text was quite informative if only giving the basic information.

A view of the chicago botanical gardens bonsai collection. They have some outstanding bonsai, traditional and exotic. A solid purchase

I really love this book. It is great as i am new to the art of bonsai. Came on time and was in excellent condition.

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