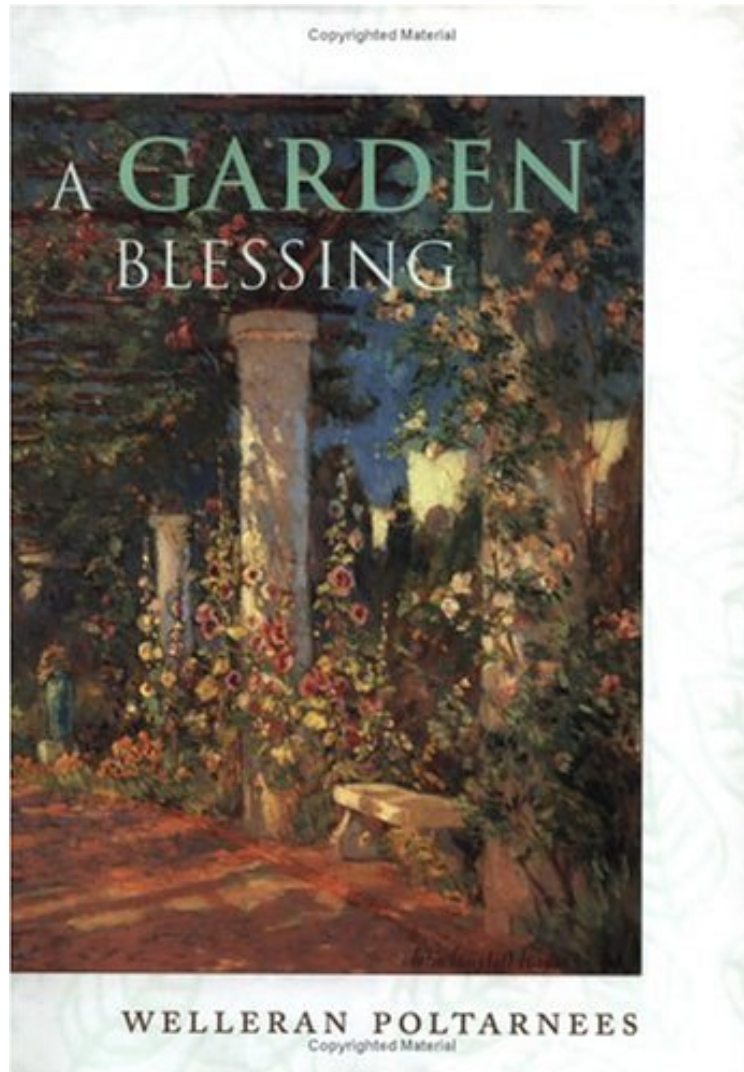


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This book begins, "I offer this blessing for you and your garden, enumerating the many virtues of gardens that we are vividly aware of their place in our lives and grateful for their existence." The text emphasizes the many profound satisfactions that gardens offer. It is illustrated with a rich variety of paintings including ones by Childe Hassam, Frederick Frieske, Claude Monet, Diego Rivera, Suzanne Valadon, and William Glackens. The profusion of illustration, poetic reflections and the felicitous design make this book a suitable tribute to the gardens it celebrates.

From the Inside Flap This blessing, like the others in this series, seeks to define and illustrate the essential virtues of a matter enormously important to the life of humankind. A garden, though it is frequently simple and plain, is more than itself, for it is a workshop for our imaginations, a point of daily contact with the forces of creation, and, even in its humblest form, a repository of transcendent beauty. Poltarneess recounts for us many of the most satisfying aspects of gardens - their timelessness, their invitation to all of our senses, their restorative qualities, their silent lessons, and their need for each gardener. As usual Poltarnees has selected a lovely and unusual array of images to support each assertion, with the result that we can from these pages, sense the power of these blossoming wonders. About the Author WELLERAN POLTARNEES has a lifelong love of gardens. His first memory is falling out of his baby carriage and landing on a bed of odorous white flowers which not only kept him from injury, but made the experience a sensual delight. He collects books about, and pictures of, gardens -- but there are few timeless things that he does not so honor. He uses a book called Great Gardens of the World as a guide whenever he travels, and, with the exception of the Boboli Gardens in Florence, which came highly recommended and which he found monotonous -- the gardens have always refreshed him. His favorite time for gardens is night. His favorite garden music is Manuel De Falla's "Nights in the Gardens of Spain", and his favorite garden poem is "The Garden" by Andrew Marvell.