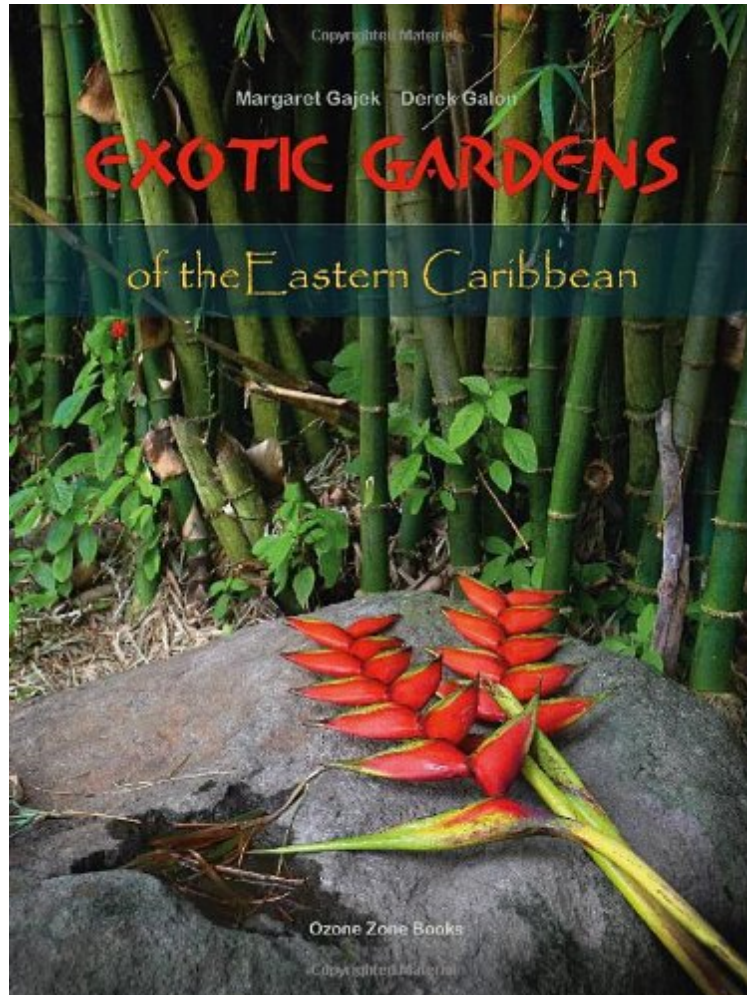


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book, with similarly fantastic photography, bi-lingual English and French text, engaging and passionate way of narration, and clearly the same concept behind selecting all gardens. The selection and quality of print is dazzling, and while it is not a botanical guide to tropical species, I found some interesting notes in that aspect too. The "bonus" chapter on flower arrangement is a nice addition. It definitely is one of the most impressive coffee table books I have. And - thanks to it - now I know which gardens are a "must see" when I return to the Caribbean again! 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Exotic Gardens of the Eastern Caribbean By Arthur Makosinski This is one amazing book. An incredible effort in locating, getting into, and then photographing these hidden places. Each chapter is a like a joyful hop from island to island and from garden to garden. An amazing experience. Technically, I have never seen a book where the photographs looked as vivid and alive. The authors must have spent weeks in selecting and preparing each picture for print. The bilingual text is a help as well. Looking forward to more from these authors.

Showing a wide spectrum of West Indies gardens, from a tiny garden in an urban backyard to spectacular places designed by renowned landscapers, this book provides a fascination and passion for tropical gardening with a lively touch and detailed research. The texts are lightly translated to French, making it a bilingual book for a wider audience. The gardens on display here includes the Montreal Gardens on St. Vincent, Diamond Gardens on St. Lucia, and Hunte's Gardens on Barbados. The final chapter demonstrates ideas for flower arrangements using tropical flowers and step-by-step instructions of three flower arrangements done by fine flower designers from Grenada, with their original comments.

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