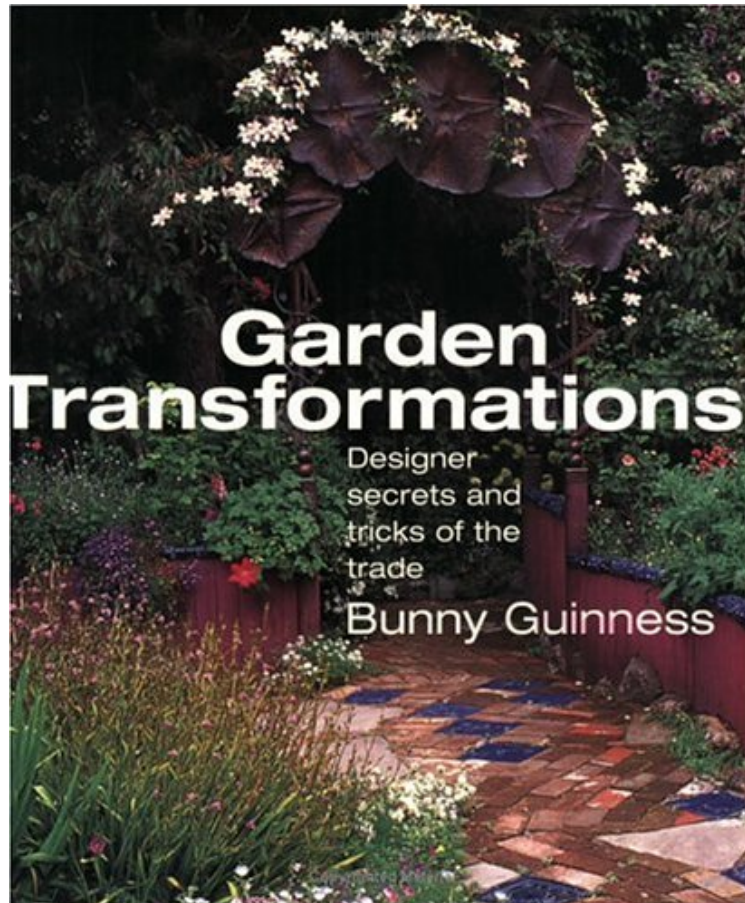


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"Colour" "Paint Techniques" "Boundaries" "Surfaces" "Plants" "Water and Lighting" and other chapter topics. My favorite is "Transforming Problem Sites" because, as every urban gardener knows, what the neighbors do affects your yard. You may need to mask what lies beyond with shrubs and/or vines, soften a wall with an espaliered shrub or a vine, or hide a heating element or trash receptacle. Guinness encourages you to think about "Buttresses" "Shrouds" "Fencing" and "Awnings" and other architectural elements for hiding, linking, or even enhancing a garden feature. I got a big "Wow" when I opened Guinness' book. I think you will too when you see all the fab photos.

Drawn from her own experiences of creating sensational gardens all over the world, Bunny Guinness presents surfaces and boundaries, colour shades and paint finishes, garages and garden sheds, gates and fences that strike an adventurous and truly contemporary note. Many of the ideas require a simple lick of paint while other more detailed projects provide full how-to information putting simple brickwork, garden trellis making and willow weaving into everyone's grasp. Based on the belief that even the most unpromising garden space can, with the right handling, project a uniquely individual character, Garden Transformations pushes back the boundaries of garden design while at the same time proposing gardens that are practical to live with and reflect their owners' personal style.