

1: Betsy G. Fryberger (Author of The Changing Garden)

"For centuries, artists have represented the glories of wondrous gardens. Like a vivid bouquet of flowers, The Changing Garden gathers together a variety of lovely prints, drawings, photographs, and paintings depicting picturesque garden views, formal designs, and natural features.

Photographs by RGT, except as noted Green Gables, the seventy-five-acre Fleishhacker estate in Woodside, California, represents a time-capsule glimpse of an era of country estates built by wealthy Californians in the early twentieth century. Green Gables survives today little changed since its construction nearly a century ago. Its recent dedication to The Garden Conservancy under a conservation easement ensures this legacy will continue in perpetuity. Green Gables is a unique ensemble of architecture and garden that, according to Professor David Streatfield, echoes vestiges of both England and Italy. It represents the largest and most challenging commission of architect Charles Greene, who, with his brother Henry, were most notable as the preeminent Arts and Crafts architects of the early s. For Charles, Green Gables departed from the Arts and Crafts style, both in character of the architecture and in the size and extent of the landscape. Although the estate appears today as a single harmonious and unified ensemble, it was built in successive stages between and as parcels were added and plans evolved for the gardens. The site on the San Francisco Peninsula commands an expansive view to the south and west toward the Santa Cruz Mountains, a view little changed since Charles Greene first sat on the barren hill contemplating his challenge. A view over the turf parterre and lily pond to the Santa Cruz Mountains, ca Charles had also returned from a year in Great Britain, and stood ready to explore new architectural forms based on what he had seen abroad. His solution was ingenious. He designed a softly curving roof clad in redwood shingles that were steamed and bent to mimic a thatched roof. In creating the soft, buff-colored walls to echo the tawny, summer-dry California hills, he employed a new material called gunite; now commonly used for swimming pools, gunite is a mixture of cement, sand, and water that was sprayed onto the forms for the walls. The subtle beauty of the estate begins with the approach to Green Gables from the nearby public road on an understated, inconspicuous driveway bordered by low, dry-laid, fieldstone walls. The tree-lined drive winds in gentle, sinuous curves through a pastoral, park-like landscape of native oaks and grassland. The drive enters a shady forest and skirts the north and west sides of the central hill, with views down to a small lake that serves as a reservoir, before arriving at a large irregular motor court in front of the main house. It is only at the end of a pleasant drive through the rural landscape of this country estate that the stunning house and garden are revealed. Green Gables from the lily pond in Main House and Formal Garden The house was sited below the crown of the hill and centered on a huge old valley oak *Quercus lobata* that was to shade the two-story house and its broad viewing terrace on the south side. The enormous, sculptural tree established the axis of the garden beyond. That tree has since died and a new oak, *Quercus muehlenbergii*, has been planted in its place. Green Gables from the lily pond, estimated to be ca s. Photograph courtesy Environmental Design Archive, UC Berkeley Below the terrace, the turfed parterre forms a simple plane of fine textured green, which contrasts with the strong silhouettes and coarser textures of the distant landscape and the informal groupings of trees that frame the view. The poplars are long gone, but the cedars, large camphor trees *Cinnamomum camphora*, and English laurel *Prunus laurocerasus* remain. Two gravel paths break the lawn into three panels and lead to a T-shaped lily pond at its far end. Water lilies break the surface of the lily pond, but leave plenty of open water to reflect the house to the north and the aged, sculptural trees at either side. The aqueduct-like stone arcade reflected in the still water of the Roman Pool; glazed ceramic urns sit atop the columns and match along the edges of the pool Roman Pool The parterre culminates in a brick balustrade at the crest of a steep drop, from which the Roman Pool is dramatically revealed sixty-five feet below. Two grand and gently curving stone staircases, separated by a planting of succulents and other dry landscape plants, descend to a landing at another stone balustrade atop a high retaining wall. Immediately below is an arcaded grotto at the near northern end of the pool. Three stones were used in the staircase: The tall stone arcade evokes the spirit of a Roman aqueduct. The pool is bordered by gravel paths and glazed ceramic pots designed by Greene. Atop the arcade are ceramic pots in a different style

but also designed by Greene. Elsewhere in the garden are many other ceramic pots, which Greene designed as the last phase of his work in Three types of stone from local quarries were used in the construction of the stairway, grotto, and arcade. Flagstones from Napa County pave the landings and the seats at the foot of the stairs. Large brown field stones form the steps and the base of some walls, and medium-sized field stones were used in the principal part of the walls. Small, chip-like, red chert stones were used for the copings, the arches in the grotto, and for large flower-pots located at the head of the stairs, on the principal landing above the grotto, and at the bottom of the lower flight of stairs. A hidden feature in the garden is a small lawn bordered with olive trees and succulents; this lies to the east of the upper stairway that descends to the Roman Pool. The brick terrace with original valley oak *Quercus lobata*, estimated to be ca s. A long pathway with several flights of steps crosses the northern ends of these terraced slopes extending from the entry driveway and a lane of old redwoods below the entry drive. The lower section of the gravel path is lined with a mixture of white oleanders *Nerium oleander*, Italian cypresses *Cupressus sempervirens*, young Italian stone pines *Pinus pinea* and a variety of shrubs. These recent plantings reinforce the long axis of the walk. At the northern end, across the cross-axial walk, a gravel path edged in field stone extends through a woodland of oaks and other trees down to the driveway northeast of the house. This terrace is not irrigated and consists of dry grass that is mowed in summer. A small frame building sits at its southern end. A large window faces north along the terrace and provides illumination for the interior of her painting studio. Carefully detailed brick steps mark a slope in the lawn below the brick terrace Swimming Pool At the top of the hill, above the motor court and house, is a free-form swimming pool, accessible by a broad brick stairway and flanked by two bathhouses that echo the architecture of the house. The pool, considered to be the first free-form pool in California, was designed by Greene to fit within an existing group of live oak trees, many of which are now gone. A wooden cabana, designed by Thomas Church in 19XX, sits at the edge of the south side of the pool deck. A tall wooden fence screens the pool from the driveway on the south and west sides. At the west end of the pool, the fence parts at a viewing platform defined by a low wooden seat wall. From this secluded deck, nicely shaded by oaks, one can look out into the picturesque live oaks on the slope above the driveway. An old barbecue, built of square cut stones, sits in the lawn that borders the north side of the pool. Complete with copper vent hood, the barbecue is still functional. Beyond the creek are fields, remnant orchards, and remains of the old Fleishhacker barn. Various pieces of old, rusting farm machinery are left from the days when this area was a functioning farm with cows, pigs, chickens, and vegetable gardens. The area is completely separate from the main house and garden, hidden behind a hill and dense riparian vegetation. A view of the Roman Pool and the Santa Cruz Mountains from the lily pond terrace Remnant of an Era Green Gables is significant today, and for the future, as an example of a country estate that has remained in the same family since its inception nearly one hundred years ago. It appears to first-time visitors as a secret oasis, which somehow has escaped the rush of development in one of the fastest growing regions of California. These gardens are remarkable in the attention to design detail, from the larger concept of site and architecture down to the design of plant containers and other artifacts, as well as the selection and placement of trees, all conceived by Charles Greene. Yet, the estate and its gardens are more than a masterwork of the architect. They reflect the personal desires and needs of the Fleishhacker family. It was built as a refuge for one family who sought to enjoy, privately, the peace and calmness of the setting and to engage in their personal interestsâ€”gardening, swimming, and entertaining friends and family. Green Gables is timeless in that it has served three generations of that family, in much the same ways, for over ninety years. The gardens and landscape appear little changed today, with only a few alterations due primarily to natural causes such as the loss of trees. This has given the estate a timelessness that is uncommon among similar places in California where such estates have been altered, subdivided, or completely lost to unsympathetic owners. To preserve this magnificent garden, the Fleishhacker family has granted a conservation easement to the Garden Conservancy. This easement prohibits development of the property and protects the historic home and garden created for the family by Charles Greene. As an element of the easement, the property will be open on occasion for special educational tours. The Roman Pool reflects the stone grotto at its northern end and the staircases above. Located at Tivoli, outside of Rome, its design featured numerous innovations and is a tribute to the talents and vision of Emperor Hadrian. With its

rediscovery during the Renaissance, it became an inspiration for artists, garden designers, and architects from the s through the twentieth century. She curated the exhibition *The Changing Garden*: David C Streatfield is a landscape historian whose work has focused on California and the West Coast. Chip Sullivan is a landscape architect on the faculty of the College of Environmental Design at University of California, Berkeley, and has also studied and taught in Rome. He has been working on a series of drawings of experimental gardens that reinterpret traditional garden forms and explore the application of classical and historical landscape elements in contemporary designs. Eric Weiss, a guide at Hearst Castle, has worked there since With degrees in history and environmental horticulture, he is involved in the current restoration of the gardens surrounding Hearst Castle. Betsy Fryberger will bring us *Ruins Real and Imagined*, an illustrated discussion of GB Piranesi, his French contemporaries, and their late eighteenth-century views of the Roman countryside. Just as Hadrian assembled a complex of buildings, pools, and fountains that reminded him of his travels throughout the Roman Empire, Hearst assembled at San Simeon a group of structures that evoked his memories of the Mediterranean. These European influences blend with architectural and garden themes from earlier California country estates and from the Panama-Pacific fairs in San Francisco and San Diego, along with Hispano-Moresque and Italian flavors that make Hearst Castle so unique. His analytical diagrams illustrate the unique interpenetration of structure and gardens and the microclimatic effects of solar orientation, wind direction, and psychological dimensions that result in aesthetic and physical comfort. He will propose a set of guidelines on how water might be employed in the contemporary California garden for beauty, climate, and the conservation of energy and resources. The Fleishhacker family has recently protected this property against future change by a conservation easement held by the Garden Conservancy. March , Fee:

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By daseger While rearranging my bookcases the other day, it became increasingly clear that I have too many books on gardens and gardening. I made a pile of garden design books, whose advice I have completely ignored. These are beautiful but not really inspirational rather the reverse. My favorite garden books were not even in a bookcase; they were piled by or under my bed, or on my desk, places where I can frequently access them. And here they are, in no particular order, with brief descriptions of why I like them so much. Penelope Hobhouse, *Plants in Garden History*. As you can see from the subtitle, the thesis of the book is the influence of plants on garden design through the ages, and the illustrations are really amazing. A perfect book to leaf through casually, or with purpose. Fryberger, *The Changing Garden. Four Centuries of European and American Art*. This is an illustrated social history of English gardeners from to the present. A big leap from the academic to the romantic. She published books on ye olde everything: First published in , *Old Time Gardens* seems to have been continually in print in the first half of the twentieth century. I read it more for its charm than its accuracy. Another big leap, towards the purely practical. As the title informs, this book is nothing but lists, of plants for shade, sun, different soil conditions, etcâ€made by professional and amateur gardeners and nursery people. I find this book so useful that, rather than leaving it by my bed or on my desk, I leave it in my car. This pamphlet was written by Mrs. Pollack, who was no dilettante. Sometimes I carry it with me on walks around town, looking for forgotten gardens.

3: The Changing Garden : Claudia Lazzaro :

"This beautifully illustrated volume examines the garden as an enduring and evolving cultural resource, in two hundred works by more than one hundred artists.

The flowers had it. Today we open the door to the designers, historians, critics, artists and botanists. This batch looks at how we organize plants, as food, as medicine, as objects of beauty, or, on a grander scale, as scenery. What do we mean when we treat plants this way? The one from the American Horticultural Society in Virginia differs from the ones issued by the Royal Horticultural Society in England largely by the spelling of the words color and colour. Both are of most use to gardeners on the Eastern Seaboard and in the home counties surrounding London. However, one new book is dedicated to a new organizational system for American flora: It is, at heart, a text book. Every school should have one. The striking accomplishment is the editorial decision to divide North America not by country or state, but by plant communities. It designates 10 of these: For a California gardener used to an Eastern publishing bias, it is hard to describe the pleasure at opening the book to find manzanitas, Joshua trees, scrub oaks and desert willows. The photography is stunning, the writing useful and plain. It makes no attempt to be comprehensive. White and Lugene B. Pemberton was born in Nebraska to Czech Bohemian immigrants in . She attended two colleges but never graduated, married and began the drug plant project in . By , she had lost her only child, her husband was ill, they were broke and were forced to move four times in four years. In , she finally received a one-woman show at the New York Botanical Garden. The following year, she was dead from a stroke. When she died, remarks Crawford, there was no obituary in the Denver dailies, and only a very short funeral notice was published. Rather, an obstinate fascination with plants seemed to have sustained Pemberton. It takes a good idea. For Betsy Fryberger, a museum curator at Stanford University, the idea was to bring the outside inside an art gallery. The artwork framed this way, the principles of garden design seem to spill out in a fresh way. Many works record structural feats and have the stately beauty of architectural renderings. This is garden as merriment, bright to the eye, leaving delightfully silly questions to occur as afterthoughts, such as: Who the devil eats a cherry with a spoon? It takes Oldenburg to make us question the absurdities of classical gardening. What are those colonnades doing around the pond? The most affirming testimony comes from the midth century, the great age of park building. In France and America, Impressionists took to the park, and their paintings capture skaters, strollers, bathers. Look beyond the beauty of the paintings and one sees good park design. The sheer joy captured in the canvases testifies to the skill of the landscaper and how these artificial Edens set the scene for play.

4: Carol M. Osborne (Author of Museum Builders in the West)

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Betsy G. Fryberger is the author of Picasso Graphic Magician (avg rating, 1 rating, 0 reviews, published), The Changing Garden (avg rating.

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