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Container Topiary

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These days it is becoming increasingly popular to enhance the garden and to create the idea of an "outdoor room". Using topiary is a way of enlivening the garden with living ornaments, whether in a large or small garden, on a patio terrace, or even a balcony or window ledge. Container gardening is also a popular subject, and this title shows you how to combine the two skills to create topiary in containers. Topiary, the art of shaping trees and shrubs into geometric designs has traditionally been a feature of classical gardens and is often considered suitable only for grand, formal gardens. This guide brings the subject up to date with modern, urban spaces in mind and is both a practical and inspirational gardening book. With over 16 step-by-step projects, it describes how to grow and shape topiary for containers in a variety of styles, from simple box balls and pyramids to more elaborate shapes. Aimed at gardeners with little experience, it covers the basics of cultivating, pruning and training plants. As well as the traditional box (buxus), there are also faux topiary projects using fast-growing ivy and even flowers, and the guide features advice on displaying the finished examples, a comprehensive directory of plants and a list of useful addresses.

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Customer Reviews

Not all of us have the room to plant in a yard, for we live in an apartment or condo. Take heart. Even if you have one pot, you can have a great little topiary to enjoy in a small space. You can even get it into an elevator. I know those in New York just love anything green, so this might be an answer for
them. You'll not be out done by Versailles if you get this little book. Even they took their orange
trees inside in the winter. This book is quite complete and enjoyable. If you need a gift for a friend,
try this book on Container Topiary. You just might start something new for them. Vivid pictures
certainly help one to envision the end results. I recommend this fine gardening guide to anyone that
likes plants, especially topiary.

This book at first glance looked like a dream come true. However as I received the book I realized
that the photos of topiary were not really inspirational and the information on how to really care for a
container topiary was limited. They touch on frames, the touch on the best plant species for
containers. It's kind of a just little introductory book to topiary. SO if you are thinking about getting
into topiary this is your book. If you are a serious gardner than this is not your book.

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