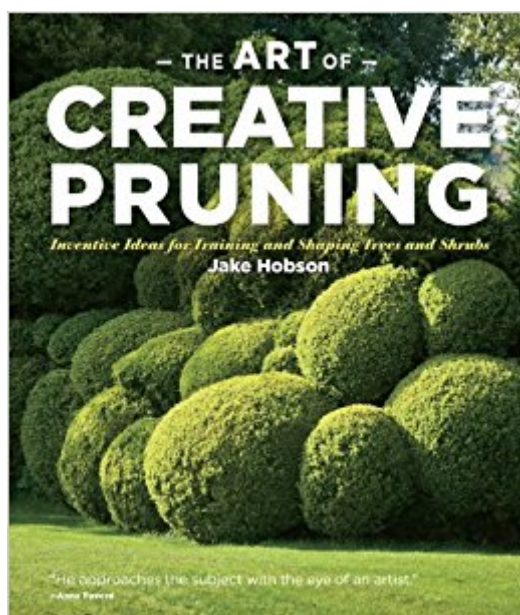


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The Art Of Creative Pruning: Inventive Ideas For Training And Shaping Trees And Shrubs



Synopsis

Nothing brings a touch of artistry to the garden like ornamental pruning, and a series of deliberate cuts can create landscapes and evoke faraway places. All that's needed to recreate the effect in the garden are a sharp pair of pruners, some imagination, and the instruction found in *The Art of Creative Pruning*. Drawing on both eastern and western styles, author Jake Hobson moves beyond the traditional lollipops and animals and teaches a wholly new approach to ornamental pruning that appeals to modern sensibilities. Picture boxwoods trimmed into whimsical Russian nesting dolls, hedges inscribed with words, and a tree snipped to resemble the toppling tiers of a wedding cake. These are just a few of the unusual ideas featured in the beautifully photographed pages. All the practical considerations are here as well, including pruning to improve a view, remedial pruning to fix problems, and pruning fruit trees to increase yield.

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Starred Review Imaginative pruning and shaping of living plants can create landscapes, evoke far off places and memories, . . . surprise and even shock, with interconnected species resulting not in defined categories but rather a family tree, or a map of a river system of endless tributaries, flood plains . . . or . . . some vast web of interconnected strands. In smoothly flowing, evocative text, Hobson introduces recent approaches to topiary, ranging from an amateur's gravity-free South Carolina garden to the professionally developed, extraordinary topiary in the French Marqueyssac Garden, captured poetically in the early morning fog. Deciduous hedges segue from screens to

architecture: arches forming gateways, buttresses creating seating bays, crenellated battlements defining fortifications, and sophisticated, bare-trunked, raised hedges elegantly lining a garden thoroughfare. Hobson presents examples of Asian aesthetics that involved microcosms of nature created without removing plants from their natural state, as with Western pruning, but instead manipulating and enhancing that natural state. A love affair with living sculpture, this coffee-table book exceeds expectations with how-to diagrams, tips on maintenance and tools, and a list of references accompanying genuinely breathtaking full-color photos. --Whitney Scott

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I wanted more hedge trimming pictures, more creative shapes. The pages devoted to this were beautiful and inspiring. But, many pages show pollarded, tortured, topped out trees with narly knuckles and no green leaves. This form of pruning is very unsightly - I just don't get it, but if this is what you want, this is the book for you. The author goes into great detail and shows many examples of extreme pruning. For some it is considered an art and you will find many examples here.

Have been a fan of topiaries for a long time. I am impressed with this beautiful book. Lots of inspiration and information, beautifully styled and photographed. If you like shaping and pruning your garden this is the book for you!

Wonderful and inspirational.

This is a wonderful review of specialized European pruning techniques--some with detailed instructions. All have beautiful pictures. However, Hobson's other book on Japanese pruning techniques, is the better book if one wants to do "cloud pruning".

This is a good reference book. Have an area(s) in a yard(s) where shrubs and/or hedges lack character and you're not quite sure how to shape them, this book will most likely give you some great ideas.

Beautiful book with wonderful pictures that have provided my husband with creative ideas on his Japanese garden project!

This book will inspire any gardener with it's extraordinary photographs of pruning and plant sculpture. Makes me want to head out and recreate my garden immediately!

very happy with purchase gives good directions, Hopefully my shrubs will turn out like what's in the book good price ,would recommend to anybody to buy.

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