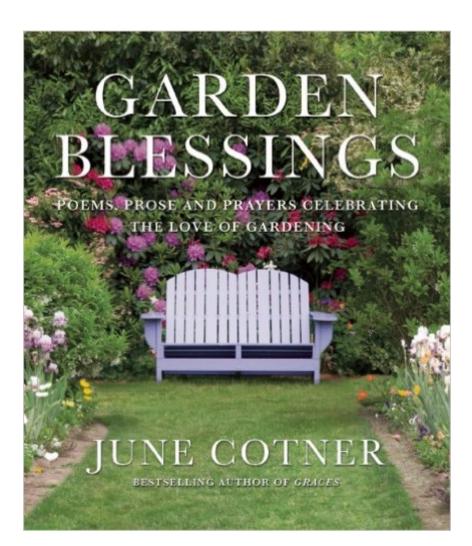
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Garden Blessings: Prose, Poems And Prayers Celebrating The Love Of Gardening





Synopsis

Garden Blessings is an eloquent tribute to the wonders of the garden, a place where our souls are nourished and memories grown. June Cotnerâ [™]s books comprise a balance of about 20 percent classic and famous writers and 80 percent lesser-known, award-winning writers, uncovering many selections not found anywhere else. Ranging from childhood memories of planting and harvesting to celebrations of the changing seasons to contemplation on the joyful art of gardening, Garden Blessings is a moving collection of poems, prayers, and reflections that reminds us of what really matters — making and sharing memories.Our gardens grow us, and this collection of readings takes us down a path of pleasure. The overriding intention of Garden Blessings is to provide a heartwarming, spiritually focused collection of uplifting prayers, prose, and poems that share a common joy and appreciation for the love of gardening and the many blessings that gardens bring to our lives. June Cotner, a best-selling inspirational author, has gathered a bounty of garden blessings here, offering gems of wisdom that remind the reader and gardener in all of us just how much we learn from our gardens.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

What a lovely book! LOVE the cover too. I purchased it because I personally know one of the authors (Gwyneth Bledsoe) and have enjoyed all of it. I received the book earlier than when they originally had said it would be available and it was in perfect condition. What a wonderful compilation of creative thoughts to take out on the deck on a warm summer evening with an iced tea to sip while contemplating gentle and positive thoughts from this book.

It is a lovely book ... beyond my expectations! The writers have captured various avenues of enjoying and appreciating gardening. This is a beautiful book for any reader, be he gardener, or not. I am honored to have a poem published, among so many gifted writers, in Garden Blessings. Jeani M. Picklesimer

The first two words of this title "Garden Blessings" called out to me and I felt sure I would like this book. I was right, this book sings to me and I give it five stars. Gardening gives me joy as I plant and tend God's pretty creations, and prayer and time spent in church give me lifted spirits too. I read poetry, write a few poems, and this book has it all. There are poems, prayers and quotes from today's writers and from classic poems of old. There are poems about roses, a poem titled "Summer Passing", another titled "Leaves Falling", and so many more. Thank you June Cotner for pulling together all these wonderful elements. I often pick up this book when I have a few moments to read and get drawn into these upbeat words.

I like poetry and I love gardening. On rainy days I get this out and read a bit. I can usually find a saying or a poem that expresses how I feel at the time. I got this as a gift for someone and reordered it for myself I liked so well. You will find writers with names you know and names you don't. Simplicity is addictive. You may find time has flown by when you start to read.

I have definitely learned that life speaks to us in all things. All we have to do is open ourselves up to the lessons it is trying to teach us. With GARDEN BLESSINGS June Cotner is able to combine her love of words with her reverence for all that a garden represents---and we the reader are the recipients of the gift they have to offer. I love the fact that she was able to take the words of individuals over the years and combine them with one theme of appreciation and support. The message is clear: if we are truly open to learning about ourselves it begins in the lessons we learn from the outdoors. Whether we are discussing the sage words of individuals like Edgar Allen Poe and William Shakespeare or the musings of Brenda Knight, Edie Weinstein and others, this is one of those books that will definitely be a source of inspiration and reflection.Get ready to be inspired: GARDEN BLESSINGS shares a message that is sure to lift you up.

A very attractive hardcover with a colorful cover in the right size to carry around with you to enjoy the poems by many talented writers. Water, Earth, Air, Fire, and Picket Fences Garden Blessings is a collection of poems, prose and prayers showing the love of gardening. It is a nice collection to have available to contemplate during the long winter months, at times when the weather is not conducive for gardening or when you are outside just enjoying nature. The book is beautifully designed with simple art that does not distract for the content.

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