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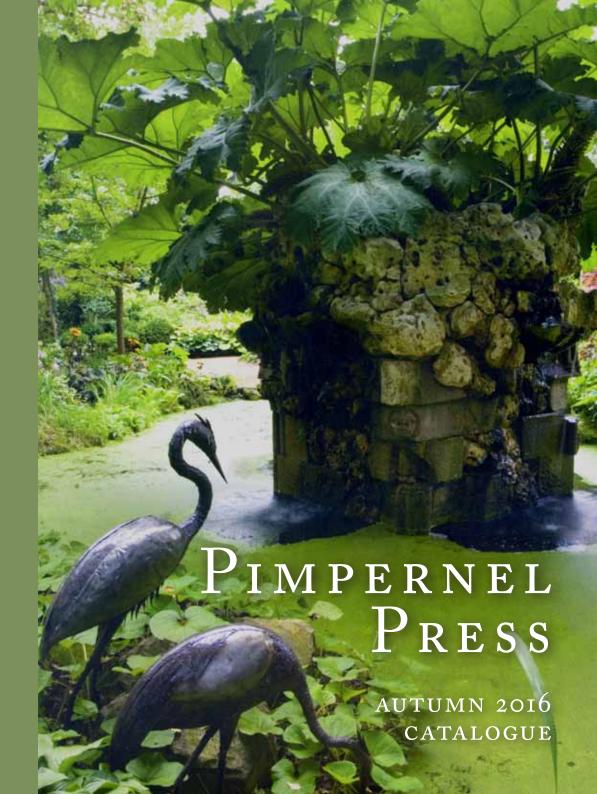
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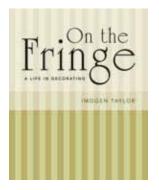
**IMOGEN TAYLOR** 

If John Fowler was – in the words of the late Duchess of Devonshire – the Prince of Decorators, and Nancy Lancaster undoubted doyenne of English country house style, Imogen Taylor was their crown princess. She joined Colefax and Fowler in 1949 and was for many years John Fowler's trusted assistant. John – and Nancy – had total faith in Imogen's 'perfect taste', and when John retired in 1971 he passed on to her all his clients – who ranged from HM The Queen, through duchesses and film stars, to ladies of the night. From this time until she retired in 1999 she was, along with Tom Parr, the firm's principal decorator. Over the years she extended the clientele she had inherited from John and developed her own subtle, comfortable and charming version of English country house style.

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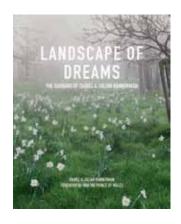


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IMOGEN TAYLOR was born in 1926. She worked as a decorator at Colefax and Fowler from 1949 to 1999. She now lives in Kent and in Burgundy.

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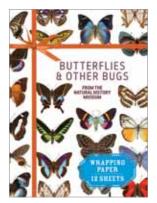
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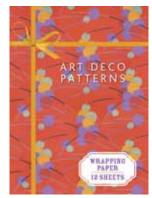
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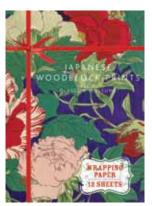
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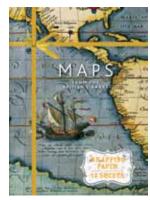
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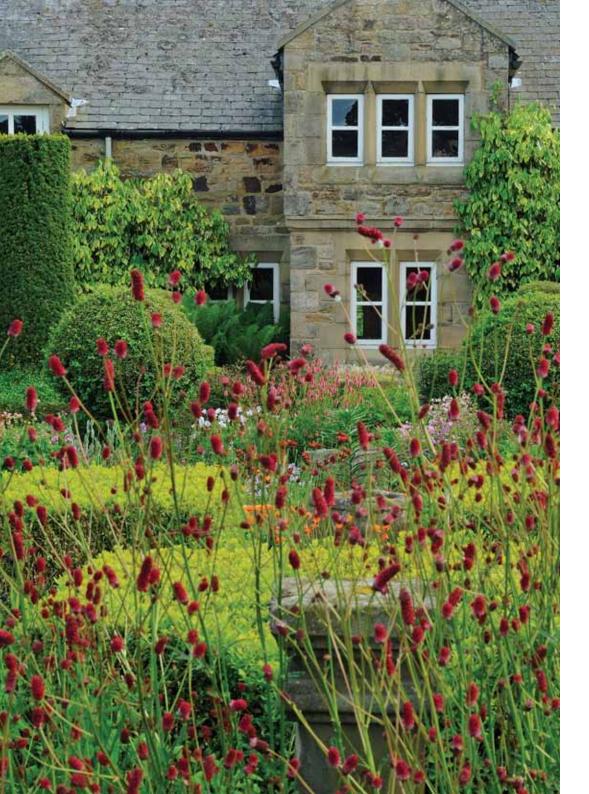








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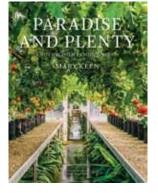
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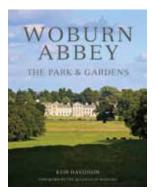
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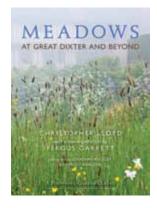
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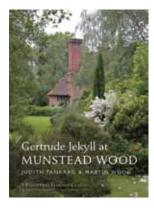


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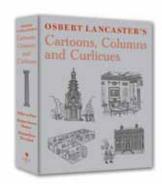
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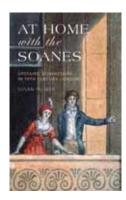
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