Behind walls

Enchanting hidden gardens of the Charterhouse

Claire Davies

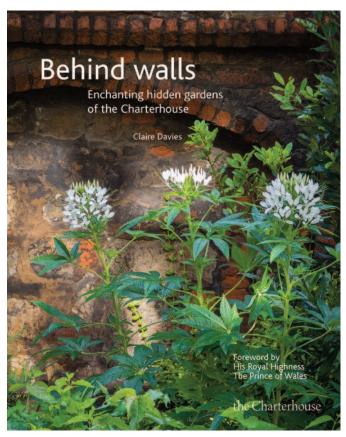
We are delighted to announce a unique book revealing the magnificent gardens of the Charterhouse – hidden for more than 650 years. At the heart of this historic former monastery and Tudor palace can be found, in the centre of London, an oasis of calm and great beauty.

Walking through the grounds of this unique charity, the gardens gradually unfold. They are the perfect foil to the extraordinary range of architectural styles. Claire Davies has created a collection of courtyard gardens that cleverly reflects different moods and aspects providing colour and interest throughout the seasons.



BEHIND WALLS is about the art of gardening, captured with stunning photography. It is also a reference book where readers can discover the names of plant varieties and see how they can work together, and it is also a guidebook introducing the Charterhouse and its history. The book takes readers on a leisurely 'stroll', visiting in turn each of the wonderful gardens and experience their seasonal changes.





CLAIRE DAVIES, Head Gardener of the Charterhouse, who created the beautiful gardens that enhance and complement the splendour of this historic site is also a talented artist and photographer and she records in this luscious book the rich variety of her painterly gardening achievement from year to year and through the seasons.



"All profits made from this book will be donated to the Charterhouse, contributing vital funds towards the costs of running the almshouse and preserving the history and heritage of the historic site and its collections."

Ann Kenrick Obe. Master of the Charterhouse

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



"I was delighted to discover this beautiful book of gorgeous photographs allowing a wider audience to explore these wonderful gardens."

JENNY AGUTTER OBE

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VISTING THE CHARTERHOUSE

The Charterhouse has a museum and chapel that are open free to the public six days a week, and daily tours of the historic buildings for which there is a charge. Tours of the gardens are held from spring to autumn.

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