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Although best known as a sprawling metropolis, most visitors to Singapore marvel at the greenness of it all. Wide boulevards shaded by venerable Rain Trees, interconnecting parks displaying a huge variety of tropical plants, roadside plantings in every shade of green, red and yellow, and great expanses of junglescape alongside the office skyscrapers and apartment blocks. It is truly a garden city, in all senses of the word. In this travel pictorial, the authors showcase many of the Lion City's green spaces, be they the Botanical Gardens and national parks, or plantings of bougainvillea tumbling down the crashbarriers on the superhighways. Orchard Road, the worldrenowned Zoological

Gardens, the groundbreaking Mandai Orchid Gardens, and many more, are portrayed, along with other lesser-known parks and private and hotel gardens. Sumptuous full-colour photographs by Luca Invernizzi Tettoni and texts by botanical expert William Warren literally take one down the garden path on a discovery tour of Singapore's cityscapes, landscapes, hardscapes and few remaining "wildscapes."

From Booklist To set the stage for an intriguing look at the tropical domain that is Singapore, Warren's coffee-table book opens with a defining photograph showing an expansive horizontal green swath (the Padang and Esplanade Park pictured from on high) stretching before a backdrop of skyscrapers. The revealing image suggests a unique perspective on the City of Gardens, where contemporary life melds with impressions of the past. Along that line, Warren's text interweaves historical details, effectively tracing the development of the country's gardening traditions. Archival representations, botanical illustrations, and a trove of excellent photographs bring Singapore's myriad verdant spaces into focus, as native jungles give way to the colonial period's lavish residences surrounded by lush plantings. A shifting landscape finds modern-day Singapore overflowing with densely planted flowering realms, extending from public squares to private retreats and glorious botanical wonderlands. Alice Joyce Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved "Archival representations, botanical illustrations, and a trove of excellent photographs bring Singapore's myriad verdant spaces into focus." -- Booklist About the Author Luca Invernizzi Tettoni, an internationally recognized photographer, has lived and worked in Asia since 1973. Among his many books on Asian culture and landscape are *Balinese Gardens*, *The Tropical Garden*, *Thai Style*, *Sarawak Style*, and *The Tropical Spa*. William Warren is a well-known landscape designer, botanical expert, and writer. Based in Thailand since 1960, he has co-authored *Balinese Gardens* and authored *The Tropical Garden*, *Thai Garden Style*, and *Tropical Plants of Southeast Asia*