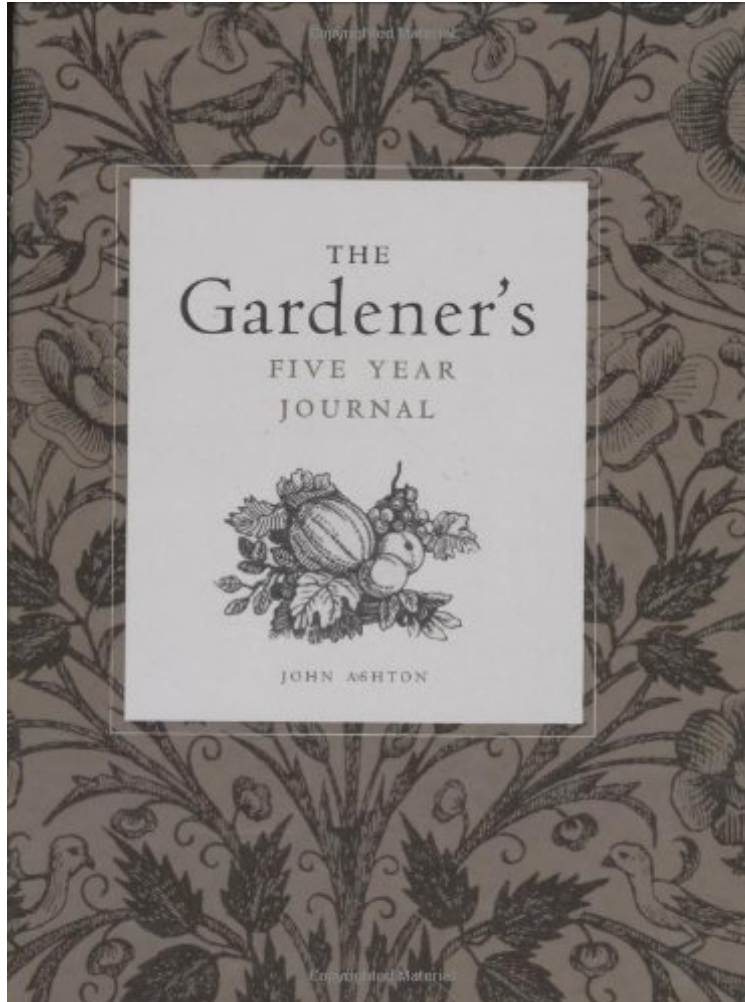


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About the Author John Ashton attributes his interest in gardening to genetics and osmosis. Born in Ottawa, Ontario in 1944, John grew up on a farm in the Ottawa Valley. "I say genetics because each of my parents were avid gardeners in their own right," says John. "Osmosis was a factor because growing up on an Ottawa Valley farm during the 1940s and 1950s, the dust and dirt embedded beneath my fingernails drifted into my veins." A passion for gardening did not manifest itself until adulthood, which, according to John's father, occurred at about 28 years of age. John has two adult children, Scott and Heather, and a lovely canine companion named Lady. His passions are gardening, woodworking, and reading (he's a member of the Eclectic Book Club). He lives on Vancouver Island.