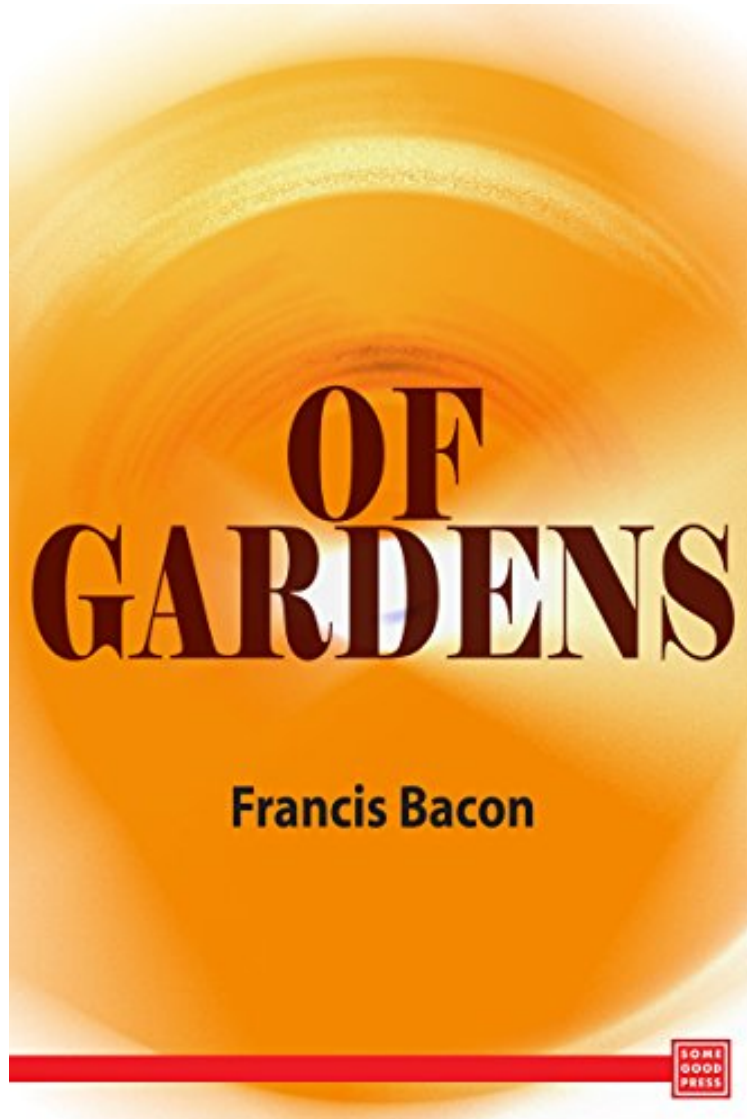


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From a book of essays published in 1625, Of Gardens is a short piece attempting to educate the reader (ostensibly a wealthy nobleman) on how to create an aesthetically pleasing garden in Bacons own taste. It is somewhat a style piece, but it also contains detailed descriptions of the plants and techniques needed to do so.

About the Author Francis Bacon was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1909. He emerged as one of the leading painters of the 20th century during the 40s and 50s. Bacon expanded the possibilities of figurative art with a bold, expressionistic style at a time when abstraction was the dominant mode. He was also one of the first artists to depict overtly homosexual themes. He stands as a towering figure in 20th-century art, having established a huge influence on younger generations of painters. He died in 1992.