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townhouse imbued with grandeur and comfort in the style of Napoleon III. The featured houses, illustrated with specially commissioned photography, represent key periods of French decoration. The exquisite Renaissance architecture of Chateau d'Anet and its sumptuous interiors with great fireplaces, silk upholstered sofas, and soft lighting exude the notorious ardor between Henry II and Diane de Poitiers. The hidden sanctuary of a Parisian manor reveals a dignified library and a harmonious blend of antique and contemporary fabrics and sculptures. A grand salon with Versailles parquet is illuminated by a Louis XVI crystal and amethyst chandelier. Meticulously planned gardens beckon contemplation and dining tables replete with crystal and silver are a visual feast. From the architecture, garden designs, furniture, textiles, and art collections, these exclusive private homes are a rich source of interior design inspiration.

There are autumnal hunts in ancient French forests, and detail shots of tables set for celebratory dinners and intimate lunches. The book's photographs even seem to capture the weather and seasons in France--shooting on foggy mornings as well as bright summer afternoons. It's a rich feast, delicious, and all captured in lavish, poetic photography. Beauty can be fleeting but it lasts forever on the pages of this book. It's all very personal and filled with fresh flowers, books, a sense of lives well lived. It's also uplifting and full of discoveries. Highly recommended. The Style Salonist

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About the Author Christiane de Nicolay-Mazery spent twenty-five years at the leading Parisian auction house, Htel Drouot, before joining Christies France, where she is a board member. She has published many books, including *Private Houses of Paris* and *French Interiors: The Art of Elegance*. Francis Hammond is a renowned lifestyle photographer. His work has appeared in many international magazines, including *Elle* and *Martha Stewart Living*, and in books such as *Historic Houses of Paris: Residences of the Ambassadors* and *Versailles: A Private Invitation*.