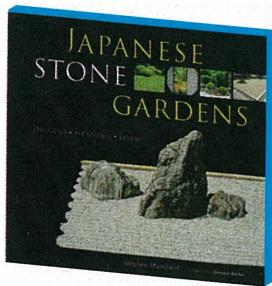


JAPANESE STONE GARDENS

Veteran travel writer and photographer Stephen Mansfield knows a fair bit about Japanese gardens: he recently built one of his own at his home in Kanto. His latest book, **Japanese Stone Gardens**, offers an in-depth look into the history and esthetics of this most quintessentially Zen art form, before taking a tour of some of the best examples to be found around Japan, from Tokyo to Okinawa. It's complemented by some gorgeous photography by Mansfield himself, plus a foreword by the inimitable Donald Richie.



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