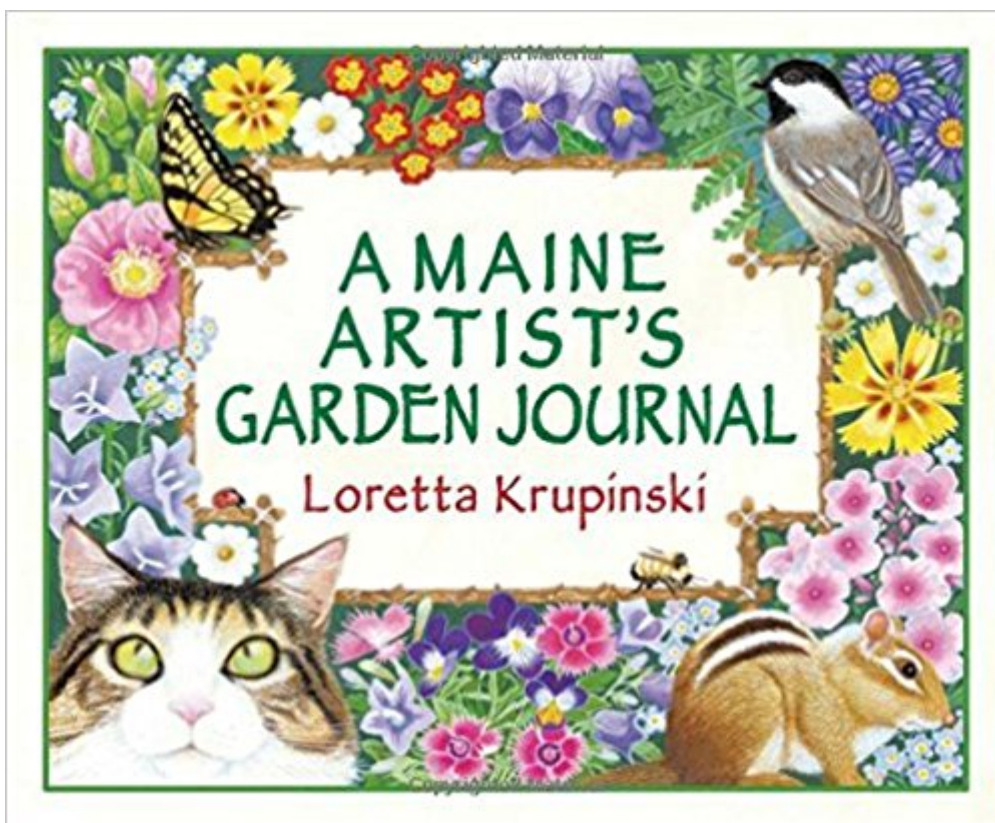


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# A Maine Artist's Garden Journal



## Synopsis

Noted marine and children's-book artist Loretta Krupinski found that she had to relearn many of her gardening skills when she moved from Connecticut to coastal Maine. A practical gardener, she kept notebooks of what she learned. Her garden journal, with its superb watercolor illustrations, both instructs and delights.

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Loretta Krupinski has illustrated several children's books, including *Dear Rebecca, Winter Is Here* by Jean Craighead George, *The Irish Cinderlad* by Shirley Climo, and her own *Into the Woods: A Woodland Scrapbook*. She has also illustrated one other book in the *Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science* series, *Why Do Leaves Change Color?* by Betsy Maestro. She successfully grew all the bean plants pictured in this book. She lives on the coast of Maine.

Beautiful!

Wonderful illustrations for a charming journal of gardening which provides many tips for caring for plants as well as one's inner spirit.

I discovered this from a review in the *Maine Sunday Telegram*. I've tried nature journaling and so can really appreciate Krupinski's effort to document the birds and insects that visited her garden.

The book goes beyond that, telling what she planted, and what she learned about pest control, care of roses and specific info on various plants and flowers. Her artwork makes each page a delight with all the garden creatures (rabbits, bugs, butterflies, birds and cats) and lots of flowers. The book would be particularly useful to anyone new to gardening in Maine, where the limited growing season and the thin topsoil present challenges.

This book is a charming gift for adults who like to garden, whether they live in Maine or not. The author has a special fondness for cats, and they appear in several of the beautiful illustrations in this book. Above average artwork, and the whole book has a lovingly crafted feel. Highly recommended.

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