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The Garden

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Those familiar with ATAK's pictures will have known it was only a question of time before this: his own portrait of a garden. Those not yet acquainted with his work will feast their eyes on this book and want their own garden ... and all his other books. Every one of those books, every picture ATAK paints, has already hinted at this garden: the flowers, the trees, the animals. Here's the swing, the blossom, the cherries, the washing flapping in the breeze. And when the wind blows home again, something returns: calm and stillness.

"The garden breathes time and time breathes as a garden. I go into the garden in the evening to breathe. I touch the new blossom as I would stroke my dog. Caress what is yours, touch these, your friends and observe the changes. Caress, touch, observe: those are the tasks of the true lover of gardens."

And now you don't even need a garden of your own, just this book with its pure, exuberant joy in nature. A garden to savour.



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