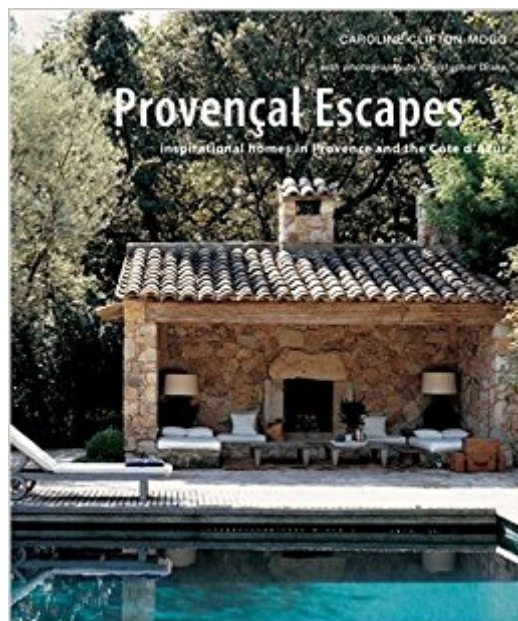




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Provençal Escapes: Inspirational Homes In Provence And The Cote D'Azur



Synopsis

Showcasing 22 beautiful homes in Provence and the Cote d'Azur, "Provençal Escapes" is an abundant source of inspiration and practical decorative ideas, making it a feast of delight for all those who are seduced by the thought - and the reality - of the Provençal way of life.

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Provence provides a constant stream of satisfaction for the senses. A magical soft, yet clear light illuminates the scenery, while the balmy air is scented with wild rosemary, sage, pine, and lavender. Provençal Escapes celebrates beautiful homes from across the region. Decorative styles differ, varying from the cozy romanticism of restored stone farm buildings to the clean simplicity of pared-down modern style, and from the traditional elegance of a small chateau to the eclecticism of a tiny vacation retreat overlooking the Cote d'Azur. But every scheme is coloured by a rural lifestyle and the natural elements, and above all, by the region's strong character. -Showcases 22 beautiful homes in Provence and the Cote d'Azur, with evocative text by Caroline Clifton-Mogg. -Combining inspiration with a wealth of practical ideas, "Provençal Escapes" is an irresistible book for all those seduced by the thought--and reality-- of the Provençal way of life.

Caroline Clifton-Mogg is an acclaimed journalist and author, writing about interior design, gardens, and other subjects. She contributes to several magazines, including 'House and Garden' and 'Telegraph magazine'. Her books include

"Italian Country Living" and "French Country Living"(both Ryland Peters and Small). Christopher Drake was born in South America, brought up in Norway, and now lives in London. He started his career as an in-house photographer's assistant at Vogue, then moved into interiors photography. His work is now featured in an international range of magazines, including Architectural Digest (Germany), Victoria Magazine, Homes and Gardens, World of Interiors, and Country Living. For Ryland Peters and Small he has photographed Hallways, Corridors, and Staircases and Enrica Stabile's Open Air Living and Comfortable Country.

This book oozes with charm! The homes featured in this book are very old and beautifully brought back to life by its owners while respecting the history and integrity of these buildings. The title "Provençal Escapes" is appropriate since this book lets you escape into a dreamy and ancient world of Provence. The photos are gorgeous and you feel that you are actually walking through some of these homes. This book is a must for any fan of Provence or just of beautiful escapes. I highly recommend it!

These are nicely designed French scenes and still life notecards. Blank inside, they are perfect for dropping that quick note and an email isn't quite enough;

This book is filled with endless pleasure. The photos are inspiring and magnificent. I am very happy with my purchase.

A nice inspiration source for charming, rustic country french design. I wanted more out of the book though - perhaps photos of full rooms rather than vignettes of tables and kitchen counters. It makes it hard to get a sense of design style without a full room effect in my opinion. The book does ooze charm and if you have other books on this style and just want a little extra something this would be ok. If however you really need a good book to learn all about french country style I would not suggest this one.

This magnificent book consists of photographic studies of some 22 homes in the Provence and Cote d'Azur regions of France. These homes are primarily older (as much as 300 years) that have been seriously redecorated to make them into jewels of pleasant styling. For the most part, the redecoration of the homes has been to retain (or return to) the styling of the time they were built.

Magnificent old beams show off well with modern appliances and decorations. The traditional outside of the houses hides the modern interiors. The original builders could not have imagined things we take for granted such as electricity that now has been fitted into their houses. Redoing an old house is easily as expensive as modern construction, so these houses have not been done for cost savings but for other reasons like living in a part of history. While this book concentrates on this region of France, many of the techniques used in these houses could well be applied to houses in the United States where old houses be they farm or city center can be made into something unique and wonderful.

i bought this book a year ago and have probably looked through it 25 times. i subscribe to so many home decor magazines and buy the others at the stores. i have loads of books on this style of decor and am often disappointed when i look at said books and magazines to find they seem all too styled and not lived in. maybe its just me and i love a little old with the new and a little time worn with the shiny....but the rooms in this book look as if people actually live in them and therefore to ME it is the quintessential french country look book. you want to know how these people live?? this is it to be sure.

Good residential architecture, gardens and interiors visuals. A good resource but not what I expected. It will be returned.

This is one of my favorite books on Provence style. The photographs take you into many gorgeous Provencal homes. It's paperback, so you get a lot of bang for your buck.

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