

# Gertrude Jekyll Quotes

*Garden, Giving, Time, Love, Spring, Flower, Smell, Trust, Hands, Summer,  
Teacher, Clothes, Feelings, Wish, Half, Beauty, Gardening, Men, Doe, Good  
Friend*

A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust.

~Gertrude Jekyll

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The love of gardening is a seed that once sown never dies, but grows to the enduring happiness that the love of gardening gives.

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There is always in February some one day, at least, when one smells the yet distant, but surely coming, summer.

~Gertrude Jekyll

There is no spot of ground, however arid, bare or ugly, that cannot be tamed into such a state as may give an impression of beauty and delight.

~Gertrude Jekyll

The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies.

~Gertrude Jekyll

The lesson I have thoroughly learnt, and wish to pass on to others, is to know the enduring happiness that the love of a garden gives.

~Gertrude Jekyll

I do not envy the owners of very large gardens. The garden should fit its owner or his or her tastes, just as one's clothes do; it should be neither too large nor too small, but just comfortable.

~Gertrude Jekyll

It has taken me half a lifetime merely to find out what is best worth

doing, and a good slice out of another half to puzzle out the ways of doing it.

~Gertrude Jekyll

In garden arrangement, as in all other kinds of decorative work, one has not only to acquire a knowledge of what to do, but also to gain some wisdom in perceiving what it is well to let alone.

~Gertrude Jekyll

To plant and maintain a flower border, with a good scheme for colour, is by no means the easy thing that is commonly supposed.

~Gertrude Jekyll

What is one to say about June, the time of perfect young summer, the fulfillment of the promise of the earlier months, and with as yet no sign to remind one that its fresh young beauty will ever fade.

~Gertrude Jekyll

It is no use asking me or anyone else how to dig... Better to go and watch a man digging, and then take a spade and try to do it.

~Gertrude Jekyll

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