I’m pleased to announce that the Forrest Deaner Naïve Plant Botanic Garden is one of the gardens featured in my new book, *The California Garden Tour—The 50 Best Gardens to Visit in the Golden State.*

Illustrated with more than 150 stunning color photographs, *The California Garden Tour* guides garden lovers to the greatest public gardens, parks and arboreta from Mendocino to San Diego. Each of the fifty gardens in this unique and informative guide is given its own two- to four-page description with photographs and all the practical information visitors need to plan a delightful garden adventure. The fifty gardens are grouped into geographic regions and shown on maps that make planning a California garden-themed itinerary easy and enjoyable. The text, which includes a history of California gardens and stories of the fascinating men and women who created them, is lively, accessible and can be enjoyed by garden professionals and armchair gardeners alike.

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