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Singapore is known as the Garden City and over 1,300 species of plants grow in the country. Both locals and visitors alike love the beautiful flowers and lush greenery that range from colourful bougainvillea and exotic orchids to majestic palms and verdant shrubs.

Botanical Singapore pays tribute to our Garden City and award-winning artist William Sim captures our favourites in his own whimsical style. Each exquisite watercolour illustration is accompanied by short succinct text identifying the plant and its key features.

Packaged in a handy size, the book is an attractive keepsake for nature lovers and makes a great gift for travellers and art enthusiasts.



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Introduction

As the Garden City, Singapore is home to over 1,300 species of plants and flowers. Our senses are held spellbound by everything from exotic blooms that burst with colour to common flora and lush greenery that beautify the country's public spaces.

Botanical Singapore pays tribute to our Garden City and award-winning artist William Sim captures some of our favourite plants in his own whimsical style. The delicate and exquisite watercolour and pencil illustrations also incorporate William's signature robots and mechanical objects.

Each illustration is accompanied by short succinct text identifying the plant and its key features, making it an attractive keepsake.



Peacock Flower

CAESALPINIA PULCHERRIMA

This ornamental shrub has yellow, red or orange flowers.

It has compound leaves that feature many tiny leaflets.

The flowers grow in a pyramidal pattern with the lower ones having longer stalks that reduce in length for each layer above.

The Peacock Flower has medicinal properties and parts of the plant can be used as a traditional remedy to treat various ailments,



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Butterfly Pea
CLITORIA TERNATEA

The Butterfly Pea is a climber plant that grows well on a trellis or fence. The characteristic blue flowers are believed to have healing properties and are used as a natural food colouring. The flowers are also used as an ingredient in a variety of teas and beauty products. The plant is very hardy and grows well in the sun.



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Seedsucker

GEOGENANTHUS UNDATUS

This attractive plant has leaves that appear to have dark green “stripes” on a green and purple base. It is called “Seedsucker” as the plant’s leaves have a wrinkled look similar to the fabric texture of the same name. The plant is a succulent and it has thick, heavy leaves and stems that store water.

