

The Duchess of Northumberland's Little Book of Poisons, Potions and Aphrodisiacs

By Duchess of Northumberland.

History Press. 1 Cloth(s), 2013. hard. Book Condition: New. The founder of the notorious Poison Garden at Alnwick Castle and author of The Poison Diaries, the current Duchess of Northumberland, Jane Percy, gives us this lovely little handbook on potent medicinals, based on her own expertise with wild plants and on the 16th-century "Household Books" of the first Duchess of Northumberland, Edith Beale. Here you will find "A Medicine for the Colde," "A Sirupe to Purge Choler and Melancholie," and curatives "To Make Teethe Whyte" and "For Men That Be Broken" ("Take the roote of valerian and drincke it with wine and it healeth broken men if ever they be holpen"). The book is printed in two colors throughout, with drawn illustrations and a ribbon marker. 127.





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