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This series, narrated by Paul Copley (Downton Abbey) takes a close look at four iconic gardens created during four very different eras, each garden giving us a fascinating window into a different century and the people that created it.

Beginning with Christopher Lloyd's garden at Great Dixter, we immerse ourselves in the world of the Arts and Crafts garden. We then move on to the National Trust gardens, as we reveal the politics and intrigue behind the Georgian landscape garden at Stowe, travel around the world at Biddulph Grange, the best-surviving Victorian garden in the country, and explore the doomed Edwardian romance of Nymans, a quintessentially English garden created by a family of German Jewish immigrants.

With expert contributions from garden designer Chris Beardshaw, historian Andrea Wulf and National Trust Head Gardener Alan Power, we reveal these four iconic gardens to be rich in social history, with powerful stories of escape, social ambition, heartbreak, downfall and disaster, written into their landscapes.

Far more than just a history of gardening, this series brings these four glorious gardens to life, allowing us to see them through fresh eyes and gain a greater understanding of their true significance.

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