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A poetic, artistic tour of urban gardens for plant and nature lovers.

As an artist, Raphaèle Bernard-Bacot is a "pollinator." For two years, she roamed the greater Parisian region meeting with urban gardeners. From the former working class gardens in Garches to urban farms in Versailles, coop gardens atop and at the foot of apartment towers, she sketched flowers, fruits, and vegetables, aas well as those who took care of them.

The result: 54 pages of impressionnistic sketches bursting with gardening anecdotes, complemented by short, poetic pieces that paint a tender, humorous portrait of these urban gardeners.