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Austria, financed by the Austrian Science Fund FWF was finished with the manuscript "Historic Gardens in Austria. Gardens and Parks from the Renaissance to 1930". Since 1984 this project was in charge of the author with some other co-workers at the Technical University of Vienna, Department of Landscape Planning and Garden History. This first Austrian inventory tended to consider public and private gardens. parks and artistically formed landscapes of all nine Austrian states from the Renaissance to about 1930 in a systematic manner. In the years of the inventarization over 1750 historic gardens and parks were discovered, photographed and described. For the publication this numerous and mostly unknown quantity of gardens and parks was arranged in typological groups: town woods, parks of a spa, memorial parks, promenades, green outside staircases. With the elaboration of the results of the inventarization, with the consideration of the trade literature, historic maps, plans, views, pictures and other source materials it was possible to present the first documentation of the existing historic gardens and parks in Austria in three volumes, published 2002-2004 (Böhlau Verlag, Vienna-Cologne-Weimar). This

first survey makes known the rich existence of historic garden

substance, is available to further scientific research on Austrian garden art and garden culture and affords first information to protect and preserve this important cultural heritage.