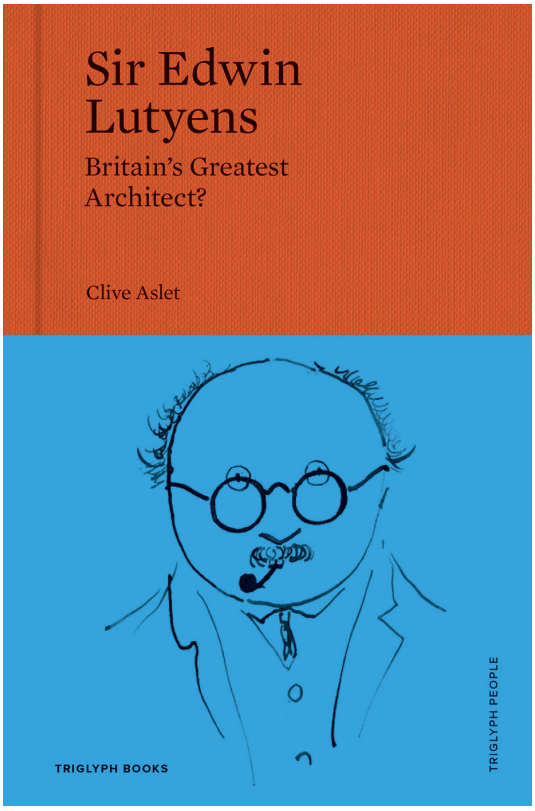
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- Professor Clive Aslet, chairman of the Lutyens Trust, reveals the journey behind the buildings designed by Lutyens. This book digs deep into the archives, showcasing both Aslet's knowledge and unseen artwork and stories from the archives of the Lutyens Trust. Both commercial and personal commissions and stories reveal the man behind the persona. Was Sir Edwin Lutyens Britain's Greatest Architect?
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Sir Edwin Lutyens (1869-1944) was one of the great architects of the twentieth century. His Edwardian country houses, surrounded by rhapsodic gardens, beguiled clients with their romance and wit. After 1918, the war memorials that he created symbolized a grieving nation's sense of loss. In the new capital of the British Raj, New Delhi, the Viceroy's House or Rashtrapati Bhavan had a footprint bigger than Versailles. His unfinished Liverpool Cathedral would have rivalled St Peter's in Rome.

Intensely shy, Lutyens hid his personality behind puns and jokes – and yet he could be called 'part mystic', a reference to an inner profundity. Rich in stories, this entertaining and stylish short biography is a major new study incorporating fresh research which shows this most charismatic of architects in a new light.

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