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respectful approach to the art, that will demonstrate that Ikebana arrangements are achievable for all. After a thorough introductory chapter on materials, the different schools, techniques, dos and don'ts, tools, colors, schemes and (viewing) angles; this book hands arrangements in traditional and modern styles, made with natural and contemporary materials. Every arrangement is richly illustrated with detailed step-by-step photographs of the creative process, making it easy for even the novice to follow and to come to a correct and enjoyable result. And in the end, enjoying the fleeting beauty of flowers to the fullest is what Ikebana is all about.