

## MICHELA TRINCA LA MIA VENEZIA



Design Brief - A mature Italian couple recalling Venice memories. Requiring dappled morning shade and light for evening cocktails. Accentuating the balcony views whilst, creating a picturesque scene and maximizing their space.

Designer: Michela Trinca.

Contractor: Kate Gould Gardens

Background: The inspiration for La Mia Venezia comes from personal memories of Venice and growing up in the Veneto region of Italy. Having studied interior design, Garden Design has been a change in design career, and Michela has now worked at Kate Gould Gardens for 6 years. Design, and horticulture in particular, continues to be a knowledge applied, learnt and developed. Inspired by my Italian heritage, the balcony recreates a slice of Venice with a Mediterranean inspired planting palette. A sheltered sunny space that invites wildlife, evokes memories and frames the views. A balcony to be enjoyed from within and from afar.

A sense of nostalgia with terracotta pots and romance drawn from Venetian architecture. Wildlife is attracted creating further visual interest. The scheme will be eclectic, colourful and exuberant to recreate a Venetian balcony with scent, texture and sound. A secluded space where you can bask and enjoy views beyond.



- The Balcony is a homage to Venice, creating a picturesque vista.
- The idea of taking an evening stroll and enjoying plants adorned on balconies and windowsills.
- Plants are containarised in a mixture of planters, mostly terracotta.
- Space is then maximized with hanging pots and an octagonal overhead planter.
- Plants are suited to the environment (shiny, smooth facing and sheltered).
- The Balcony scheme reminds us to be aware of microclimates. All gardens and outdoor spaces have more than one microclimate.
- 'Right plant, right place'
- Balconies forming part of a shared visual space to be enjoyed, whilst having hugely beneficial impact to our environment.
- Multiple green space contributes to a wider environment and for wildlife too, where there habitats have been abolished for housing.
- The balcony frames vistas through the lace like pergola and creates a view for others to look at the 'passeggiata'.

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## PLANT LIST

- · Allium 'Lavender Bubbles'
- · Aspidistra elation
- · Artemisia 'Powis Castle'
- Begonia 'Benitochiba'
- Bougainvillea
- Carex testacea
- · Centaurea montana 'Grandiflora'
- · Citrus limon
- · Citrus japonica
- Euphorbia 'Roundway Titan'
- Geum 'Totally Tangerine'
- · Heuchera 'Sweet Tea'
- Lagerstroemia indica
- Muehlenbeckia complexa
- Origanum vulgare
- Pelargonium 'Stephanie'
- Pelargonium 'Marena'
- Pelargonium 'Antik Violet'
- · Rhaphiolepis indica
- · Rosa 'Desdemona'
- Sedum
- Seleniccereus wercklei
- Thymus vulgaris

