



2024 RHS HAMPTON COURT PALACE GARDEN FESTIVAL SHOW GARDEN EXHIBITORS

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1) **Bond Landscape Design: Match Point**

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Match Point's immersive experience explores how a tennis court and clubhouse can be a subtle and beautiful addition to a garden without compromising the landscape's flora and fauna. Tranquillity and high-energy exercise may seem like they bookend the spectrum; however, the design harmonises sports dynamics with calming aesthetics.



The garden utilises a monographic clubhouse, which allows the green, purple and white planting to take centre stage both inside and out. The

mood of the garden is driven by the user: the vibrant purple plants inspire energy, while the airy and light plants dance and rustle to create a calm space in which to disconnect from the pressures of life. The clubhouse's bold black exterior elevates the planting yet is virtually invisible from afar. The minimalistic, light interior provides an airy, welcoming space. Instead of having a solid roof, the clubhouse has a living canopy, formed by *Trachelospermum jasminoides*, which only allows a small amount of dappled light through. This will provide shade from the sun and mild protection from the rain. The water feature with its *Nymphaea 'Gonnère'* adds to the tranquillity of the space and promotes biodiversity.

The design of the garden is inspired by a passionate belief that a balanced environment is fundamental for protecting the ecosystem, facilitating a profound and positive impact on the mental health and well-being of those who experience it. The theme of the garden has been inspired by Wimbledon: The Championship.

Planting and colour scheme

The colour palette provides an energetic feel to the garden, but this is balanced with the integration of a biophilic design that allows the garden to feel tranquil and relaxed. The bold purples and greens of the planting draw inspiration from the colour palette associated with Wimbledon.

Varieties of alliums, ferns and grasses provide a colour palette that reflects the purples and deep shades of green that have come to be associated with the Wimbledon tennis championships. White *Digitalis* punctuate these shades of green and purple and provide an excellent source of nectar for honeybees, bumblebees and moths. The white trunks of the *Betula pendula* add year-round interest and in summer the delicate leaves provide dappled shade.

Relocation

The garden will be relocated at a private garden and adjoin an existing tennis court within a mid-sized wildflower meadow, dotted with mature trees of varying species. The garden is set to be installed shortly after the show.

2) The Lion King Anniversary Garden

Sponsor: Disney's THE LION KING

Designer: Juliet Sargeant

Contractor: GardenLink

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Inspired by the stage production, and the African landscapes where the iconic story is set, this community garden is surrounded by dry hedge, offering a protected sanctuary for visitors to sit and reflect on their own journey through the 'Circle of Life'. The circle motif has been incorporated throughout the garden to create balance and harmony. The dusty red soil is planted with swathes of resilient grasses. A peppering of vibrant, drought-tolerant flowers echo the bright colours of the production, and climate resilient cultivars and drought-tolerant trees also feature.



This showcase garden has been created to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Disney's THE LION KING in London. Since performances began at the Lyceum Theatre in 1999 more than 19 million people have experienced the award-winning musical in London.

Planting and colour scheme

The colour theme is vibrant, with hot colours to reflect the rising sun motif, from deep pinks to bright yellows and reds.

The garden features exotic plants like *Citrus trifoliata*, which have very large, unusual thorns, and *Pycnosorus globosus*, which are quirky drumstick-like flowers.

3) The Sounds of Adventure Garden - A sensory journey with Exodus Adventure Travels and Headwater

Sponsors: Exodus Adventure Travels and Headwater
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Designed to engage all senses, this sustainable oasis embodies a commitment to sustainable travel. With every element carefully crafted to minimise environmental impact, from materials selection to water conservation techniques, it sets a benchmark for eco-conscious design. As you explore this verdant sanctuary, you'll be reminded of the delicate bond between humanity and the natural world. Each plant, each feature, encourages visitors to tread lightly and cherish our place within the grand tapestry of existence.



The design draws inspiration from the natural world itself, aiming to create a serene and harmonious space that reflects the delicate balance between humanity and nature. Elements of adventure and exploration have been incorporated into the design, evoking a sense of excitement and discovery for visitors.

Planting and colour scheme

The planting incorporates resilient and wildlife friendly plant species to support local biodiversity, conserve water, and to create a resilient landscape adapted to regional climate conditions.

Plant species that are well-adapted to local climate conditions and require minimal maintenance, like the *Nepeta*, provide habitat for wildlife, support biodiversity, and contribute to ecosystem health. The garden also includes a variety of pollinator-friendly plants, such as *Echinops ritro*, promoting pollinator conservation efforts and enhancing biodiversity.

Relocation

The garden is being relocated to a garden open to the National Garden Scheme.

4) The Way of Saint James

Sponsors: Axencia Turismo de Galicia and Tourist Office of Spain
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Contractor: Acacia Gardens

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The garden draws inspiration from St. James, the patron saint of Spain, and the pilgrims' journey to Santiago de Compostela. It aims to capture the essence of this spiritual journey and Galicia's mystical forests.

Key design elements include a pilgrim statue, the Camino symbols of the Santiago cross and a yellow arrow, a water fountain, natural pond and woodland planting to capture the ambience of the route. The statue symbolises St. James' enduring spirit and pilgrims' spiritual state at their destination, and the Santiago cross and the yellow arrow will guide visitors around the garden. Metal arches with scented climbers and gravel paths will evoke the romantic nature of Galician gardens, and granite refers to the paving materials typical in Galicia.



The garden will be created in a woodland setting to refer to the mystical forests, cascading waterfalls and rivers of Galicia. Species of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous perennials familiar in Galicia will evoke the Galician forests.

Planting and colour scheme

The garden's planted beds will be filled with varieties of woodland type trees, shrubs and herbaceous perennials that are familiar in Galicia, such as *Camellia japonica* 'Alba Delecta', *Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Madame Emile Mouillère', *Woodwardia radicans*, and *Blechnum spicant*.

The garden also features lilies, such as *Lilium martagon* var. *album*, in the planting to symbolise respect for St. James. These additions not only contribute to the natural beauty of the garden but also pay tribute to the cultural significance of the pilgrimage route.

Relocation

The garden's trees and plants will be installed in one of Westgate Healthcare's care home gardens. The hard landscape materials will be returned to the suppliers.

5) The Garden of renewal: nature's embrace

Sponsors: Lancaster Garden Centre
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Contractor: Braka fencing

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The design inspiration for the garden draws heavily from the timeless cycles of life and the nurturing embrace of Mother Nature. Inspired by the intricate interplay of birth, growth, decay, and renewal, the garden serves as a living tribute to the resilience and



beauty inherent in natural ecosystems. Each element, from the carefully selected plant species to the reclaimed materials, echoes the rhythms of life found in forests, meadows, and wetlands. Through its design, this garden seeks to honour the profound interconnectedness of all living beings and inspire a deeper appreciation for the intricate web of life that sustains us all.

Key features include meandering pathways, sensorial water, and secluded seating areas perfect for contemplation or socializing. Inspired by the intricate beauty of natural ecosystems and wanting to represent the life cycle, the garden reflects a deep personal interest in conservation and the preservation of biodiversity. It caters to nature enthusiasts, seekers of serenity, and those passionate about sustainable living, offering a serene retreat and a sanctuary for local wildlife.

Planting and Colour scheme

The garden features a vibrant tapestry of colours and textures, meticulously arranged to evoke a sense of tranquillity and wonder. The planting scheme revolves around a naturalistic palette, incorporating hues of blues, purples, and orange, echoing the colours found in local landscapes.

With a theme centred on biodiversity, sustainability and healing, the garden showcases a harmonious blend of native flora, featuring statement plants like *Betula nigra* and *Euphorbia characias* 'Black Pearl'.

Relocation

The garden will be relocated to Whipps Cross University Hospital in London after the festival.

6) The Explore Charleston Garden

Sponsors: Explore Charleston and Brand USA

Designer: Sadie May Stowell

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The Explore Charleston garden blends history and present-day landscape into one. You can wander through manicured hedges and symmetrical patterns, evoking classic English gardens before seamlessly transitioning into the serene, free-flowing beauty of Lowcountry grasses and flora. The garden will showcase both the unique formal pocket gardens found in Charleston and the natural beauty of the Lowcountry.



The centre piece for the formal garden will be a specially crafted water feature based on an iconic Charleston landmark, The Chapel Street Fountain. The garden will use many reclaimed materials including handmade bricks and reclaimed ironwork.

Planting and colour scheme

The formal garden will contain *Liriope muscari*, topiary yew balls, palms and feature plants. Ivy will creep amongst the planting which is typical of a Charleston garden. Flowering perennial and bedding plants will be used for colour, typical of these garden spaces.

A mixture of grasses and damp loving plants will form the planting in the wetland area and will be combined with trees and shrubs to create a feeling of enclosure.

Relocation

The elements will be broken down post show and items will be returned to suppliers, recycled or donated to charity.

7) Oregon Garden

Sponsors: Explore Charleston and Brand USA

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This garden is inspired by the natural beauty of the state of Oregon, with its planting, natural crisp clear water falls and forest planting. The garden will include conifer trees of differing ages to highlight the importance of regenerative travel.

Enormous boulders have been used to create the water feature, with some of the boulders weighing up to 1.5tons in weight, to reflect the natural beauty of Oregon's waterfalls.



Insect attracting planting is the focus of this garden, inspired by the importance of crops and vineyards pollination to the state. Oregon has beautiful wild meadows, so an abundance of wildflowers are present in this show garden.

Planting and colour scheme

The planting is natural in appearance and focuses on pollinating plants and flowers. The overall colour scheme is burnt orange, blue and white with a tapestry of greens.

Relocation

The garden will be recycled post show, with some items returned to suppliers, some items recycled locally, and other items donated to charity.