



ZOE GARDENS

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Portfolio

A courtyard raised bed built to be appreciated from the kitchen bifolds. Planted with structural plants for year round interest and perennial and annuals added.



Same client from previous slide: An island bed in the centre of the main entertaining patio which had an overgrown conifer in it. It was planted for year round interest in the client's favourite colours:



Client Feedback: 'Zoe has advised and planted up several beds to provide colour and interest in our garden which is quite exposed. We are delighted with the results, our garden is now a pleasure to be in and to look out on from the house. The colour schemes have worked well, particularly the yellow/lime green and burgundy, We particularly like the chocolate cosmos, the purple alliums and dark purple tulips, which contrast beautifully with nearby shrubs. Thanks very much Zoe.'

Before and after of a back yard transformed into an elegant courtyard garden with water channel, using the stone from the house extension and the existing patio.



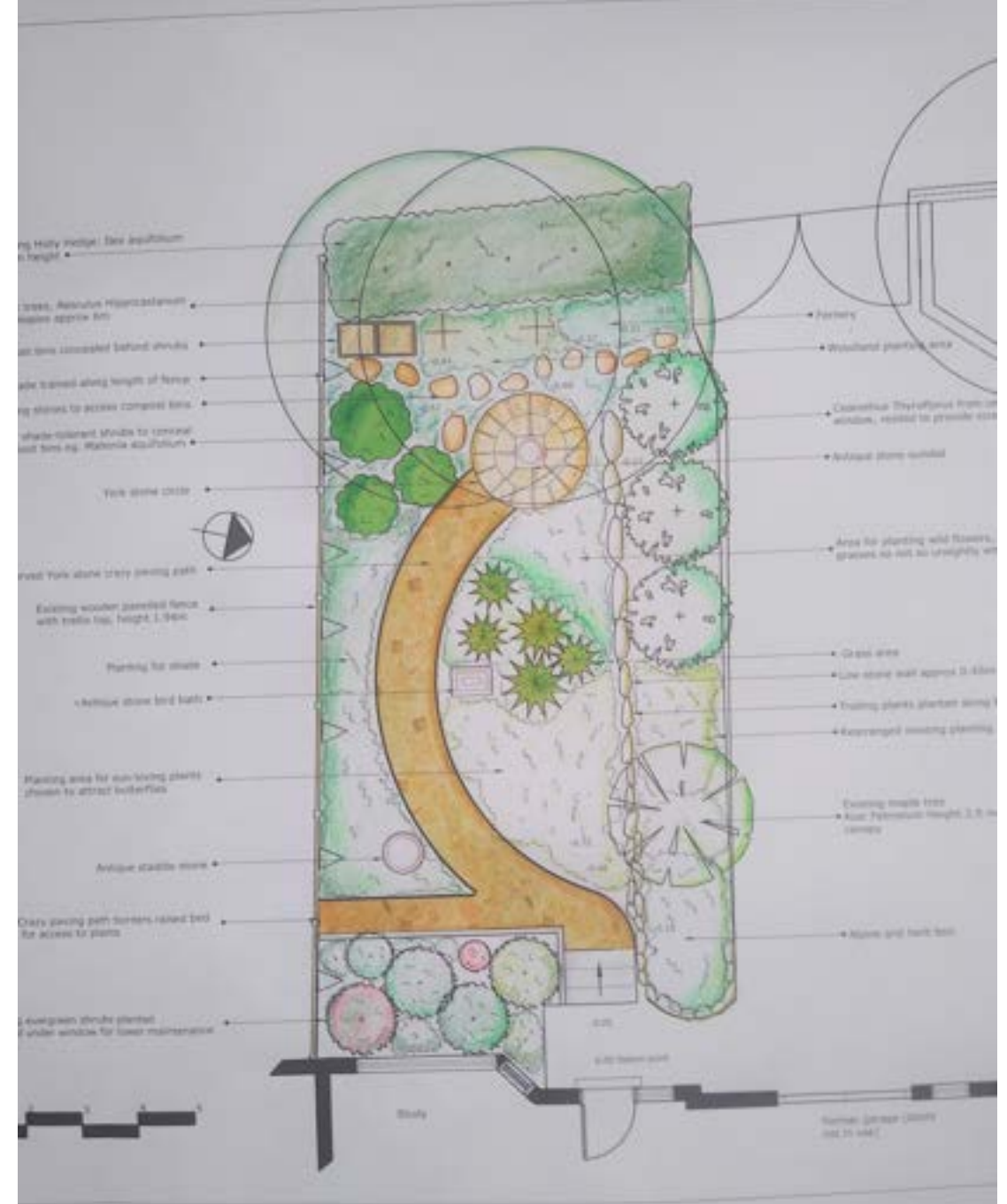
Client feedback: 'What a stunning transformation of our muddy backyard into a beautiful, private courtyard, amazing!'



Continued from Slide 4: The courtyard garden being used and how the abundant planting developed over the seasons:



An un-loved, urban front garden that the client wished to turn into a wild-life haven. The garden design with the grass removed and planting for sunny, shady and woodland areas, climbers for the fence and screening from the road. Lots of bee-friendly plants selected.



Continued from slide 6: The structural element of path and stone circle completed and an antique sun dial added which I helped the client buy. The planting is coming on nicely.

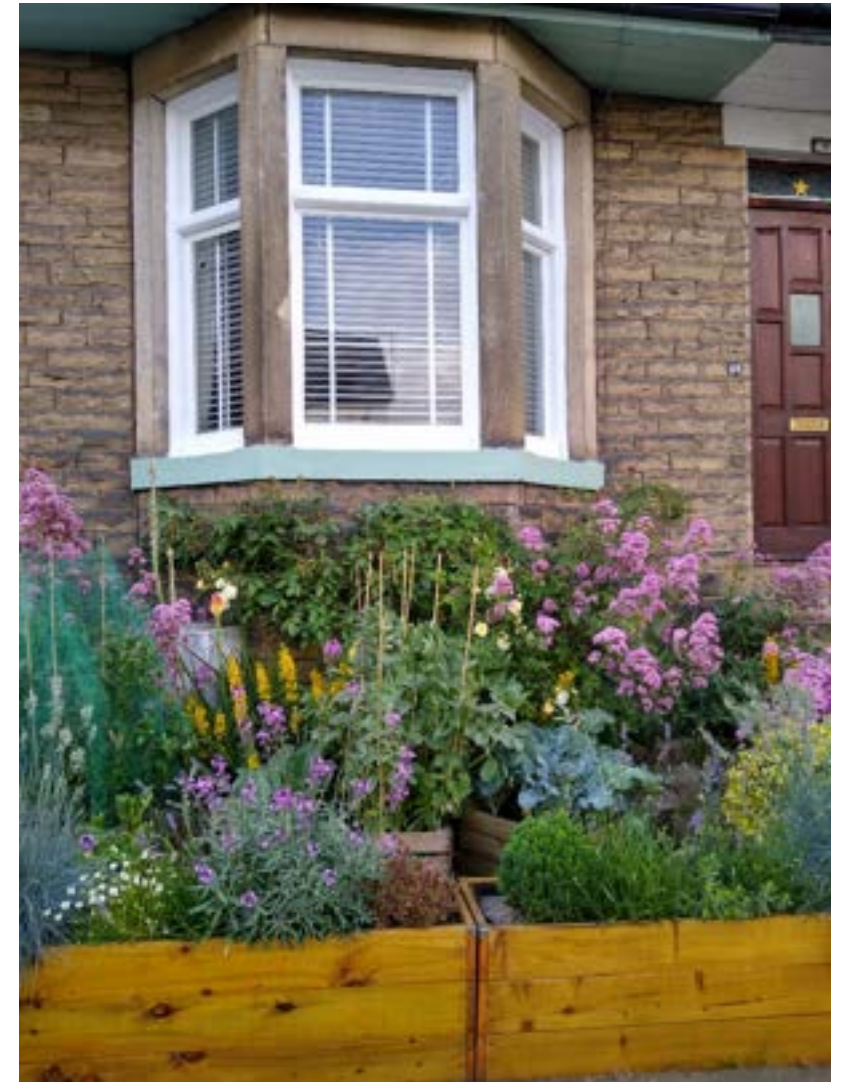


Feedback from the client: 'Zoe is an enthusiastic and passionate gardener and has lots of exciting ideas for garden design and planting. She has created a beautiful, colourful sanctuary for me... and the birds, bees and butterflies love it too— I am so very happy with it and look out on it with joy every day.'

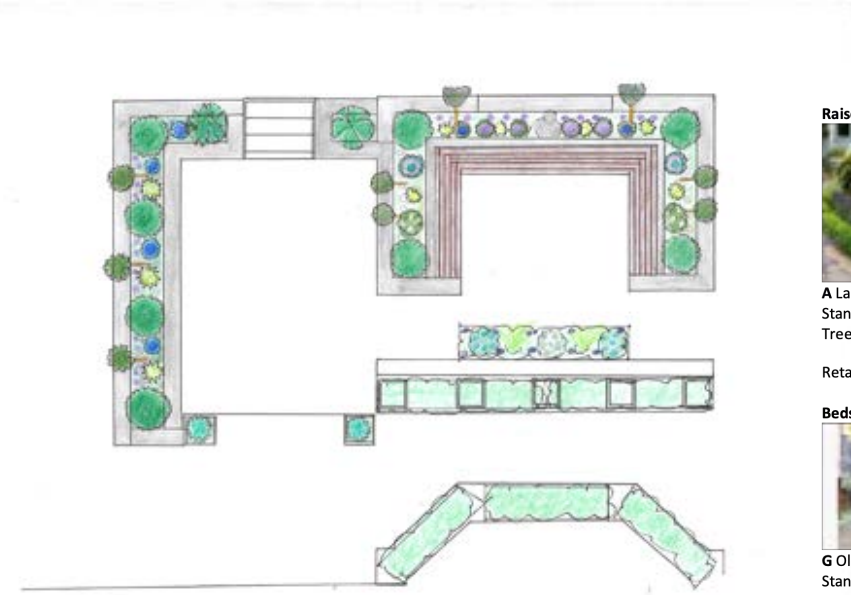
A tiny front garden with planters and a rockery added for sun-loving plants, with room for a container allotment:



Client feedback: I can't believe this is my little front garden, what an explosion of colour! I even have space to grow some vegetables too, wonderful!



A design for a dining and seating area with accompanying planting plan for a contemporary, Italian-style theme in a sunny south-facing patio.



Raised bed to the left of the dining area



A Laurus Nobilis
Standard Bay
Tree

B Buxus
sempervirens
Box balls

C Carex
oshimensis
Evergold 30x35

D Allium bulbs
Purple Sensation

E Salvia
Merleau blue'

Retain the two palms (F) in the beds by the steps

Beds around the seating area



G Olea Europaea
Standard Olive
tree (existing)

A Laurus Nobilis
Standard Bay
Tree

D Allium bulbs
Purple and
White

H Euphorbia
Characias Tasmanian
tiger

B Buxus
sempervirens
Box balls



I Lavandula
Munstead
Lavender

E Salvia Merleau
blue'

J Azalea
Japonica 'Geisha
purple'

K Hydrangea
'Runaway Bride'

L Rosemary for
pots by dining
area

Suggested planter opposite seating area



M Agapanthus
Blue African
Lily

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Album African
Lily

G Carex oshimensis
Evergold 30x35






N Purple tulips



Client feedback: 'Zoe offered a full professional service. This included an initial visit and discussions on our requirements and how to proceed. She produced detailed design plans incorporating soil analysis and the best planting suggestions for sunny and partially shaded gardens and gave follow-up consultations and advice. Zoe was always happy to incorporate any of our ideas and provided good knowledge on what was best suited to our garden. Excellent service'.






For the same client (Slide 9): A planting plan for a north-facing front garden bed, shaded by evergreen and deciduous trees, to provide impact on arrival and year-round interest from the kitchen window. A sketch of how it will look when established. Photos are of the bed just after planting.

Evergreen shrubs








A *Taxus baccata aurea* Golden Yew
B *Fatsia Japonica* Castor Oil Plant
C *Sarcococca Confusa* Sweet Box
D *Mahonia Japonica* Oregon Grape
E *Skimmia Japonica* Reevesiana

Ferns








G *Polystichum setiferum*: Soft shield fern Spreading shrubs
H *Athyrium niponicum* 'Silver Falls' Deciduous shrubs
I *Dryopteris erythrosora* Copper Shield Fern Grass
J *Asplenium scolopendrium* Hart's Tongue Fern
K *Polypodium vulgare*

Deciduous shrubs








L *Cotoneaster horizontalis*
M *Euonymus Fortunei* 'Silver Queen'
N *Hydrangea Macrophylla* 'Deep Purple'
O *Berberis Thunbergii* atropurpurea
P *Anemanthele lessoniana* Pheasant's tail grass

Taller perennials








Q *Digitalis* Foxgloves
R *Lunaria Biennis* Honesty
S *Acanthus Mollis*
T *Aquilegia Canadensis*
V Japanese Anemone X hybrid 'Honorine Jobert'

Low-growing perennials

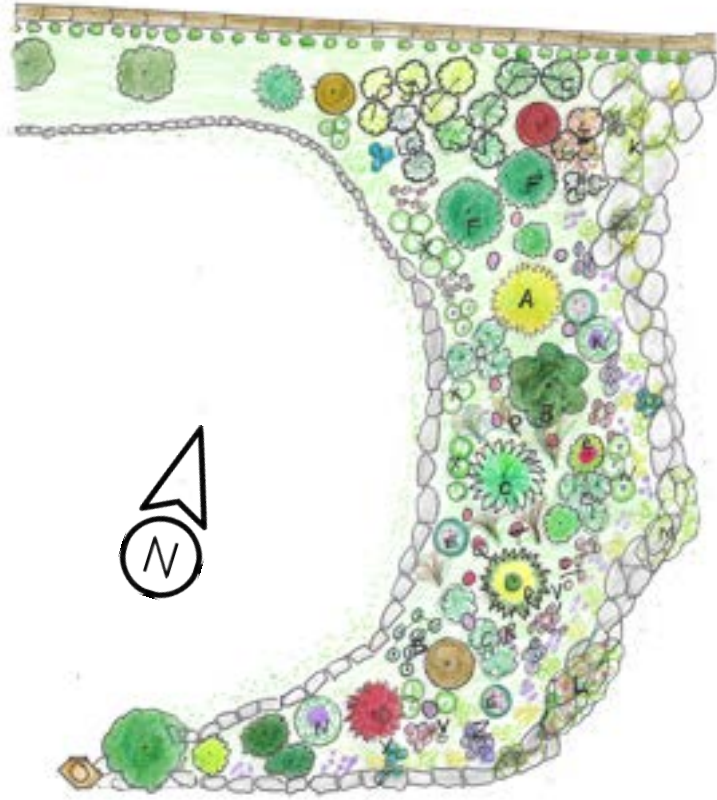


Geranium aemum 'Lily Lovell'
X Geranium nodosum 'Svelte Lilac'
Helleborus niger Lenten rose
Y Pulmonaria Lungwort
Z *Zajuga reptans* 'Atropurpurea'

Fls and tubers

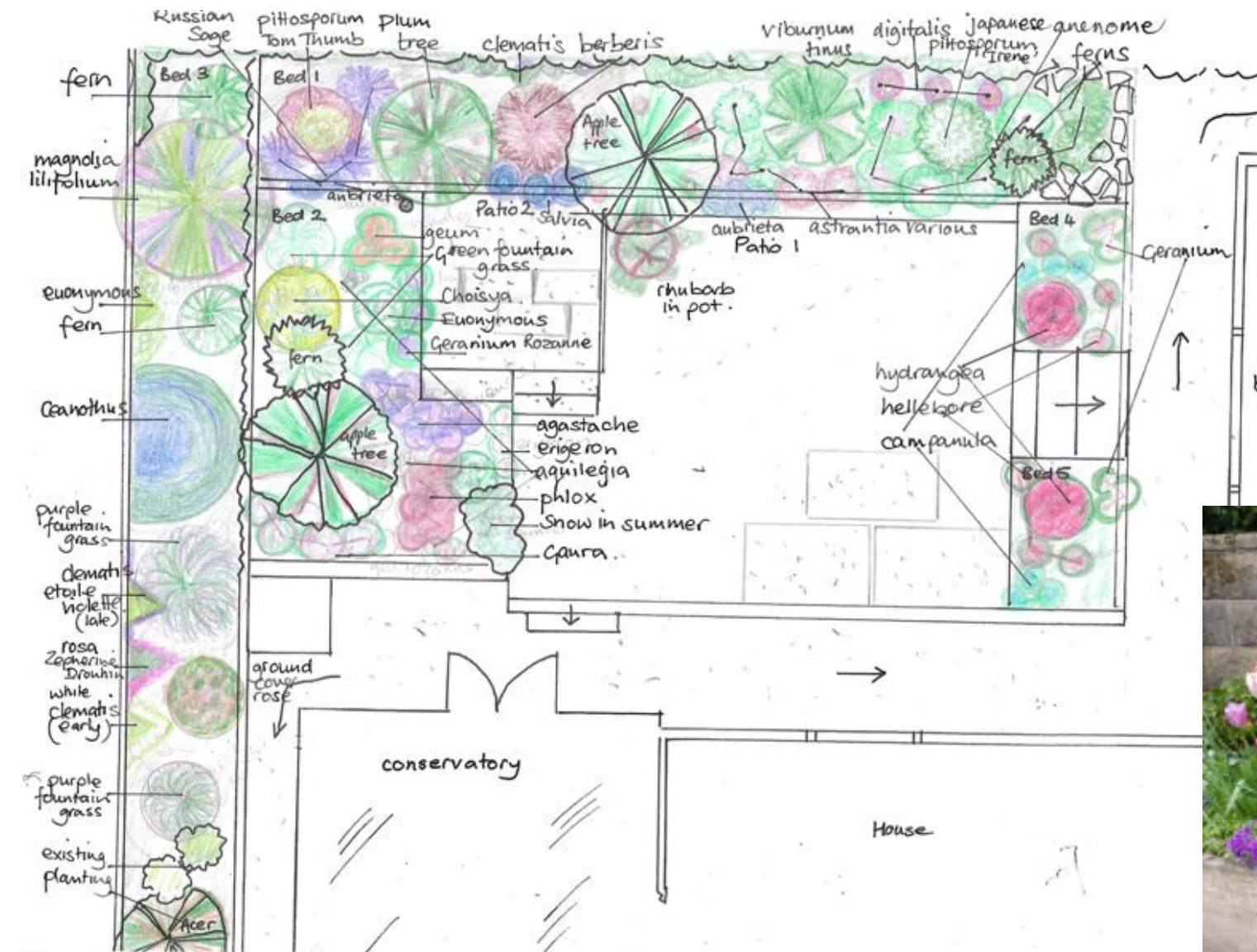


lanthus Nivalis snowdrops
Crocus
Narcissi tete a tete Dwarf Daffodils
Hyacinthoides non-scripta-English
Cyclamen hererifolium

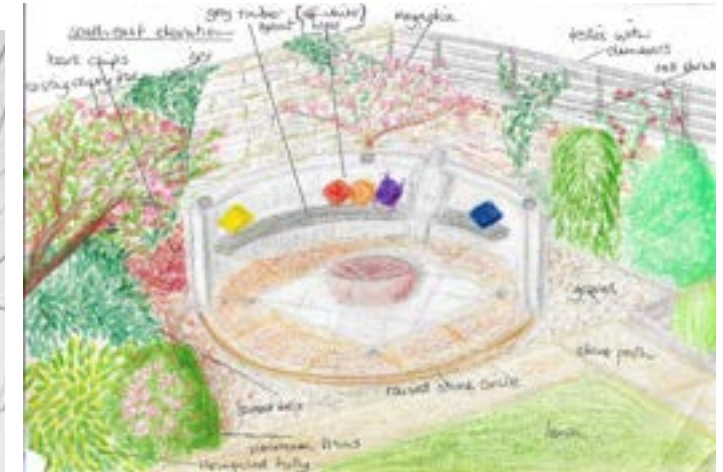
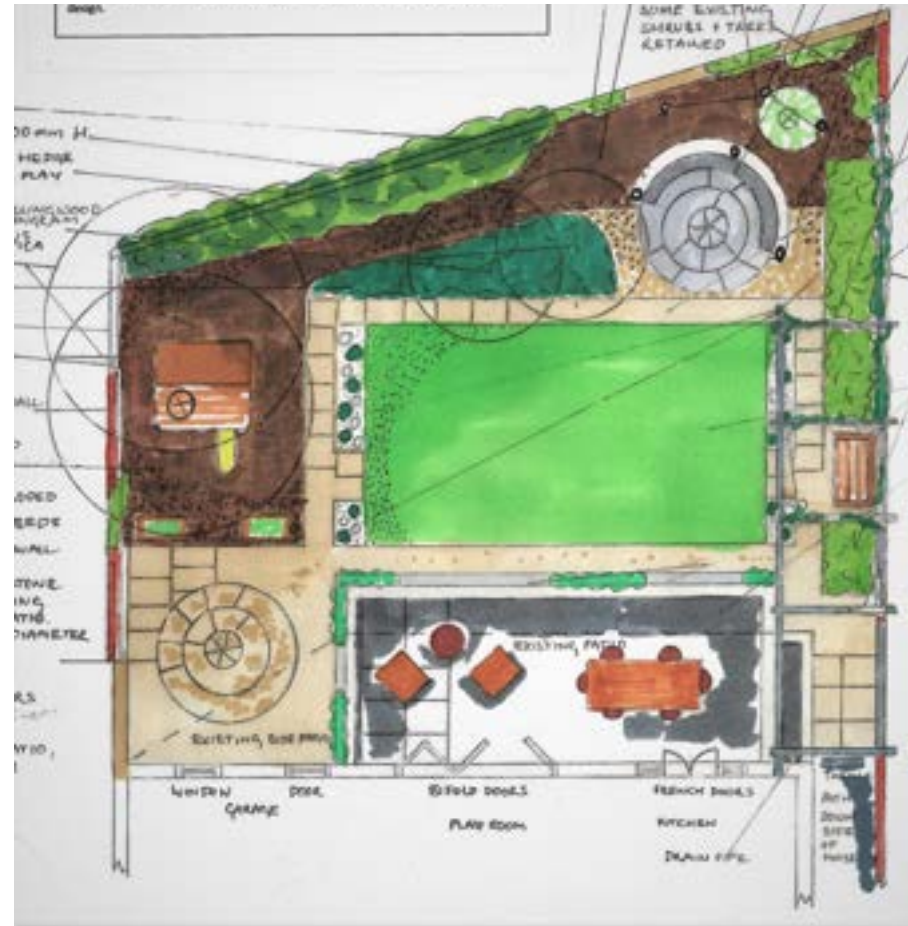


Example of a naturalistic planting plan for a courtyard garden, to provide lots of colour to be seen from the conservatory and other rooms in the house.

Feedback from the client: 'Zoe has a warm personality and with her soft-spoken demeanour she inspires confidence in her abilities as a garden designer. She is knowledgeable about planting and has helped me to develop a planting plan for my garden which has maximized the full potential of the garden's aspect. Her enthusiasm and her hard work have helped me to transform an otherwise drab space into a colourful, vibrant courtyard garden bursting with life and vivacity. Thank you Zoe!'



An initially quite bland, family garden designed to include a natural area for children's play (with a tree house and secret path), family entertaining, planting around an existing pergola and a modern, adult retreat with wow factor. Building is underway.



Client Feedback: 'Zoe was highly recommended to us and has helped us design a modern rethink of our mature garden. She listened carefully to our needs for a grown-up space with room for our toddler to play safely, asking us all the right questions and making us feel at ease from the start. We love the designs and cannot wait to get started on making it a reality'.