10 (OF THE MANY) GARDEN STYLES

- 1) Secret Garden (enclosed on 3 of 4 sides, often in shade)
- 2) Modern/Contemporary (lots of concrete/ stone, clean lines)
- 3) Display Garden (majority of flowers bloom within a two-week period)
- 4) Country/Cottage Garden (aka English Gardens)
- 5) Formal Gardens (aka French Gardens)
- 6) Woodland Garden (Heather's Favourite! Designing WITH Nature)
- 7) Whimsical Gardens (outdoor spaces & sculptures that inspire joy+play)
- 8) Rock/Alpine Garden (aggregates, pine, topiaries, natural stone)
- 9) Asian-Inspired/Japanese Gardens (miniature landscapes ie. mountains)
- **10)** Desert/Arizona gardens (sand/gravel, xeriscaping, yucca & cacti)



COLOUR PREFERENCES

- Monochromatic, Triadic, Analogous, Complimentary & Tetradic
- White & Black Gardens
- In small spaces LESS IS MORE!

DESIGN ELEMENTS & PRINCIPLES TO INCORPORATE INTO YOUR GARDEN



ELEMENTS

Physical things in the space (line, point, focal points, etc.)



PRINCIPLES:

Rules that guide the placement of elements (scale, balance, etc.)

- Line, Point & Focal Point
- Texture, Material & Colour
- Pattern, Repetition
- Borrowed Views
- Scale & Balance
- Form & Contrast

- Symmetry vs. Asymmetry
- Massing/Grouping & Layering plants
- Whimsy & Echo
- 'Hide & Reveal' and the

Element of Surprise!



WEEDING & MAINTENANCE

- Avoid disturbing soil (ie. tilling)
- Deadhead before plants go to seed
- Ensure you are installing good quality soil & mulch in bulk (not bags/black)
- "weed-barrier fabric" should not be used in gardens
- The less space between your plants = less space for weeds to grow
- Mulch types: Shredded Pine/Gro-bark (the best)

GENERAL PRUNING RULES

- Once leaves have started to appear in Spring, remove anything that is DEAD, DAMAGED or DISEASED from the plant
- Deadhead & prune back plants AFTER the flowers have finished blooming and have turned brown, turned to fruit or fallen off



DESIGN WITH NATURE

 Boxwood hedge requires regular shaping. Consider planting other plants in a line to create a hedge (ie. Bobo Hydrangea). Keep the natural, form of a plant in mind when -making your selection. [FYI: Boxwood Blight - left]

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Water features best (low-maintenance) placed within the garden
- Shop with plant photos (a Plant Palette) in-hand when plant shopping (right)



Plant Palette created using canva.com



POLLINATOR & NATIVE GARDENS (A SMALL SELECTION OF PLANTS)

- Butterfly Weed (Asclepias tuberosa) NOT Butterfly Bush!
- Milkweed (Asclepias syriaca)
- Spotted Bee Balm (Monarda punctata)
- Anise Hyssop (Agastache)
- Blazing Star (Liatris spicata & Liatris cylindracea)
- Joe-Pye Weed (Eupatorium purpureum)
- Buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis)
- Redbud (Cercis canadensis)



SOME OF HEATHER'S FAVOURITE PLANTS

- 'Blue Chiffon' Rose of Sharon
- 'Mount Everest' White Alliums
- Fringe Tree (Chionanthus)
- Full Moon Japanese Maples
- Amsonia 'Blue Star' (see photos on the right)
- Ligularia
- Euphorbia 'Ascot Rainbow'
- Silver Lace Vine OR Sweet Autumn Clematis
- Japanese Forest Grass (Hakonechloa)
- Neon and Angelina Sedum
- Popcorn Plant (annual that smells like buttered popcorn!)

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- Hellebores
- Salvia
- Oakleaf Hydrangea

AT HFFMAN'S

- Climbing Hydrangea Vine
- Fothergilla (photo collage right)
- Serviceberry (Amelanchier)
- Beautyberry (Callicarpa)
- Nasturtiums
- Dogwoods
- Clematis
- Daphne







ADDITIONAL LINKS/SOURCES

- Heeman's: www.heeman.ca
- Heather Jerrard, My Landscape Artist: www.mylandscapeartist.ca
- My Landscape Artist, Garden Inspo on Pinterest: www.pinterest.ca/mylandscapeartist
- Perennial Website (advanced search to include light and soil conditions): www.perennials.com
- Landscape Ontario (peer reviewed and companies) local Landscaper Search: https://landscapeontario.com/
- Grow Me Instead: https://www.ontarioinvasiveplants.ca/resources/grow-me-instead/
- Juglone (Black Walnut) tolerant plants: https://extension.psu.edu/landscaping-and-gardening-around-walnuts-and-other-juglone-producing-plants
- London Ontario Bylaws: https://london.ca/by-laws
- Upper Thames River Conservation Authority: https://thamesriver.on.ca/
- Royal Botanical Gardens, Mississauga: www.rbg.ca
- Cambridge Butterfly Conservatory: https://www.cambridgebutterfly.com/
- Niagara Butterfly Conservatory: https://www.niagaraparks.com/visit/attractions/butterfly-conservatory/
- Whistling Gardens (North America's Largest Peony Collection!): www.whistlinggardens.ca
- Landscape Design at Fanshawe College: Landscape Design, Fanshawe
- Better Homes & Gardens: https://www.bhg.com/

