

Hot Tips

How to plant a border

Plant in groups

Apart from large plants, known as specimens, plants are best planted in groups of three. Bold splashes tend to look better than single plants. You can be forgiven for using single plants because space is limited as this is a common mistake. The impact is often better if you use fewer kinds but more of each.

Final size

Consider the ultimate height and width of the plants

Plant stepping

Place the tallest plants to the back with the smallest at the front. An island bed would have the tallest in the centre. The odd focal plant that stands out from the rest can be very effective.

Seasons

Remember plants look there best at different times of the year. Use a range to give all year interest.



Foliage plants

Variegated leaf foliage helps to maintain interest throughout the year.

Ferns in tubs at Rectory Terrace.

Lakeland Bark

In a shrub border it is worth mulching the ground after planting. It will conserve moisture and some mulches, such as our Lakeland natural barkchip, not only lasts longer but it is attractive as well. Remember to use our weed suppressant fabric.

*Remember;
Attractive gardens seldom just happen, they are designed*

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