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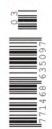
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2016 GARDEN TRENDS

Philippa Pearson asks top Herts garden designers Patricia Fox and Andrew Wenham for their tips for this year's garden





WITH spring to the air and its longer and warmer days, March is a good time to get your garden tided up and ready for the new reason. For new features later in they ear, this is also the time to plan some rewesting chatges. Gardens are about recode, so think of your

garden as a space that grows with year meeds, and expairments, whether these are family ornested, centered on eiterstancing, for relatation responses to the contraction of the contract

'The art in a small garden is introducing one or two significant pieces that bring drama and impost' embrace some change. Even on a small scale, it can bring big rewards.

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garden designer Andrew Wenham. This can be as simple as the tone and colour of internal and enternal floor surfaces, to more complex ideas like plansing or structures that you can see through and beyond."

A small charge ruch as introducing containers will create new vistus and features while individualising your outdoor space, Wenham adds. 'Large ceramic pots always look great. Choose simple shapes for a strong look – structures

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Like the fashion industry, gardening has fresh trends each year to tempt you





space, even a balcony, they are annaising. They provide generacy, tearure, drawn, fingume and colour, all is a degrh of around 10cm. That's a prevent passaing passed for such a law of space. They're no harder to look after than a trackizonal booker and come with their own fereignism (simplicition and fertilizen pystems. If you have a small guidee, Nr. and Wenhamm agree less is more. The real art is a small guidee, any for, is any for, is introducing one or two rejurities as

ags Fox, is introducing one or two significant pieces that bring drawn and impact. We crased a beautiful sculpctured wicker seat into a tiny garden measuring only-tims fin and narrounded it with dicknosia tree ferm; the space became breedtealine?

Wenhum adds, 'Look at bold shapes, keep things simple, select fewer plants and plant en masse. Choose structural elements that have

multi functions – a retaining wall supporting a





designed by Araka (Photo: Araka)



to walkways and seating

change in levels that also acts as seasing, and in massenals that refuse to the house." My tips for quick and easy ways to transform

your garden include reshipting the laws and defining the eligin with pool borfer shown, and painting fences and furnissian with one of many exterior woodwork paints are failed. Also very growing fruit and suggestable in constant accorpieron like pen sinchor, relation one among the control of the control of the control of the bally battle on windowskills, trained fruit trees in pote on the paint, and charge measures in any law of the control of the control of the and because the control of the control of the paint and the control of the control of the control paint and because the control of the control of the great according to the paint and the control of the great according to the patients.

Philippa Fearan's book Smill Space Big Ednos published by Durling Kinderday has lists of step-by-step projects for small gardens, boliconian and incline spaces. See philippaperson coats.



Steps and containers add witerest and depth to the garden by Andrew Veserbarn Shots hink connects

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