



Planting Proposal



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Festuca (Blue Fescue)



Festuca is a low-lying ornamental grass that is low maintenance and adds a very nice dynamic texture and unique colour to the planter bed. This plant was selected for both patios as it is wind tolerant, has a light range of sun to full sun, it is an evergreen perennial, meaning it will be green throughout the year (will bloom in the early summer) and will only need to be replaced every 3-5 years, and is drought tolerant and it thrives in a confined environment (ie a planter box as opposed to an open garden).

Liriope



Liriope is a tough and hardy evergreen perennial that blooms purple or pink flowers in autumn. When not in bloom the plant appear to look like grasses which aligns with the aesthetic of the planting plan, but when they're in bloom the flowers will be a nice seasonal addition. This plant was selected for the partially shaded areas on the two patios. It is a drought tolerant plant which will be suitable for the summer. These plants are also well suited for containers.



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Black mondo grass



Black Mondo grass is a unique perennial due to its dark purple almost black shade. It was selected for its colour to add a dynamic pop to the Boho Chic theme. It is a suitable plant for the shaded areas particularly on the lower patio as that is more shaded. They are suitable for containers, however, grow slower in containers which can be beneficial for maintain a desired aesthetic and balance with the other plants. Black Mondo grass is also drought tolerant once established which will be good for the summer months.

Purple Moor Grass



Purple Moor Grass is a deciduous perennial that gives a very tall and fine stem which is perfect for adding height to the planter. It will bloom in late summer, early autumn. It is suitable for both patios as it is a full sun to partial shaded plant and is tolerant to wind conditions. It is tolerant to containers.



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Feathered Reed grass



Feathered reed grass was selected due to common looks to hair grass. It is a tidy and upright perennial that does not flop through the season. Feathered reed grass was selected as it thrives in containers, is wind and drought tolerant and is suitable for both patios as it can be in the full sun or partial shade.

Pineleaf Penstemon



The pineleaf penstemon is an evergreen dwarf plant that blooms in late spring throughout the summer. It was selected due to its bold coloured flowers and overall appearance that compliment the grasses. It is suitable as it is suitable in full sun conditions and is drought tolerant once established. This plant thrives in containers and they have a thick stem so are suitable for windy conditions.



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Phormium Tenax



Phormium Tenax is a hardy ornamental evergreen grass. It is suitable for exposed or sheltered conditions and can be positioned in full sun or partial shaded environments making it ideal for both patios. This plant comes ins a variety of colours which makes it ideal to use in several different areas in the patio. This plant thrives in containers and is drought tolerant which is ideal for the summer.

Trachycarpus Fortunai



Trachycarpus Fortunai is an evergreen palm with a thick trunk making it hardy for windier conditions however it will be best used on the lower patio only so it can receive some shelter from colder winds in the winter. It thrives in containers which is ideal for a patio and is great in full sun or partial shaded areas.



Trachycarpus, varigated Phormium Tenax, Pineleaf Penstenom:

Trachycarpus, Black Mondo, Blue Fescue and purple Phormium Tenax:



Liriope, Black Mondo, purple and varigated Phormium Tenax:





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Achillea 'Moonshine'



This plant was selected as it is very tolerant to many different growing conditions. It performs well in most soil and exposures and prefers sunny or shady locations. This plant creates a very interesting texture in the garden as it forms flat looking clusters which will provide some depth to the planting scheme. Furthermore, this plant is also very low maintenance and grows well around other plants.

Astrantia major 'Rosa



Another low maintenance plant, the Astrantia major is herbaceous perennial and was selected as it features a very long blooming period and can have flowers from late spring up until fall in the best occasions – this is ideal as it extends the plant's capability as a pollinator plant. It grows well in containers and pots and can be in a variety of sun conditions from full sun to dappled shade which makes it a great and flexible plant for our scheme. These plants thrive around competition which is ideal for the presented planting scheme.



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Salvia Viridis



Low maintenance plant that can be either an annual, biannual or perennial. It is ideal for flower beds and is great in dense planting schemes where they might be situated under other plants – which will likely be the case in this dynamic scheme, making this plant ideal. It is generally trouble free when it comes to pests and is good in sheltered or exposed environments which is great for the roof top. They prefer full sun conditions, so we need to keep that in mind when placing.

Rudbeckia fulgida var.



This perennial blooms in mid to late summer and lasts into the fall providing a splash of colour later in the growing season, which again adds to the seasonality of the scheme, and prolongs the effectiveness of using these plants as pollinators. This plant can be planted in either shaded or exposed conditions, in full or partial sun, making it very flexible to use around the scheme. This plant is drought tolerant which is ideal for dryer summers and thrives in planter boxes and containers.



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Eryngium giganteum



This perennial was selected due to its tolerance in exposed conditions. This plant will be utilized in more exposed parts of the patio because it also prefers full sun conditions. Another unique part of this plant is that the flower heads remail on the plants over winter and thus provide an interest to planters in the winter, which provides a sense of seasonality to the planting.

Geum Scarlet Tempest



This plant is great as it brings the red back in from the first scheme, again unifying the two phases. In addition, this plant flowers twice, once in the early spring and again in the late summer into fall, increasing its benefits as a pollinator and serving as an interesting feature in the garden. This plant is a low maintenance perennial which can be planted in sunny to shady environments.



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Pleached Silver Birch Betula Utilis Jacquemontii



Betula Utilis Jacquemontii, or as it is better known as, Silver Birch, is popular for its stark white bark and good autumn colour. In fact, this deciduous tree is one of the most sought-after birch varieties precisely for the dramatic display it creates in the landscape and year-round interest it offers.

Silver birch received the prestigious Award of Garden Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society for its exceptional qualities including famed resilience. This is a tree native to the Himalayas, so its no surprise that it is fully hardy in the United Kingdom and able to withstand extreme winter temperatures.

Nepeta 'Florina'



Nepeta 'florina' is an aromatic perennial that is very drought resistant and can be grown in shady or sunny conditions. It is an ideal plant for containers and enjoys being planted under larger shrubs. It grows well in mixed gardens which fits well with this scheme and can grow in sunny or shady, sheltered, or exposed conditions.

Planting Scheme - Planters



To fit a tree of this size we want a planter at least 70cm in diameter The orb is slightly larger as the opening is smaller and must be taken into consideration (therefore have an overall larger diameter). Both planters are bulky and sturdy enough to hold the larger 2-3m trachycarpus tree. All planters within the design scope are to be flexibe and can be moved if neccesary.



Type 1



750mm(dia) x 600mm(H)

Type 3 1000mm(L) x 400mm(w) x 900mm(h)



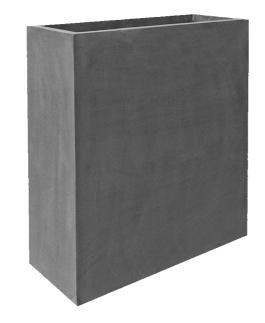
720mm(L) x Type 4 300mm(w) x 760mm(h)

For the longer troughs, we will need to piece together multiple individual planters, to achieve the intended length. See below two more streamlined planters of the same brand of those above to ensure a consistent material, look and feel. In addition, we have included a natural wooden planter as a feature planter which may be a nice addition used in only one or two moments around the space to compliment the other wooden accents on the patios. All troughs within the design scope are to be flexibe and can be moved if neccesary.

Type 2



870mm(dia) x 750mm(H)



Type 5



720mm(L) x 300mm(w) x 760mm(h)

Planting Scheme - Planters



Additional plant pots selected to complement the initial planting scheme

Type 6



650mm(dia) x 700mm(H)

Type 7



700mm(dia) x 720mm(H)

Complete Planting Scheme - Mood Board















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Planting Scheme - 5 St. Cross Street



