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MODERN MINIMALIST

harrys — Se-Facing Garden — Modern Minimalist

Action Plan

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Your redesigned garden

Modern Minimalist design

This is what your garden could look like. The pages that follow explain exactly how to get there — step by step, at your own pace.

01 PROJECT OVERVIEW

Client	harrys
Site Address	—
Date	20 April 2026
Design Language	Modern Minimalist
Estimated Area	49.5 m ²

This proposal outlines a complete redesign of the existing garden space, transforming it into a contemporary, low-maintenance outdoor living area. The design focuses on creating clean lines, structured planting, and functional zones for relaxation and entertainment. Extensive hard landscaping and architectural planting will replace the current sparse lawn and disparate elements.

Project Objectives

- Create a cohesive and aesthetically pleasing modern minimalist garden.
- Maximise the usability of the narrow garden space for relaxation and dining.
- Introduce structured, architectural planting for year-round interest and low maintenance.
- Improve site drainage and soil health for optimal plant growth.
- Enhance privacy and visual appeal from both inside and outside the property.

02 SITE ANALYSIS & CONSTRAINTS

Sun Exposure

Orientation	SE
Morning Light	Full Sun
Afternoon Light	Partial Shade

- Adjacent terraced houses to the north-west (behind camera position)
- Existing evergreen tree in the mid-right section
- Boundary walls casting shadows

Soil & Drainage

Soil Type	Unknown
Drainage	Existing soil appears compacted with poor grass growth, suggesting moderate to poor drainage. Likely a heavy loam or clay content.
Hardiness Zone	USDA Zone 9 / RHS H4

- Incorporate significant quantities of organic matter (compost, well-rotted manure).
- Add coarse grit or sharp sand to improve aeration and drainage.
- Deep cultivation to break up compaction layers.

Existing Features

Feature	Type	Disposition
Left Boundary Wall	Wall	Retain
Right Boundary Wall	Wall	Retain
Rear Boundary Wall	Wall	Retain
Existing Evergreen Tree	Tree	Retain

Sparse Grass Patch & Concrete Path

Other

Remove

Microclimate Notes

- Rear Right Corner: Shaded by the retained evergreen tree, creating a cooler, more sheltered environment.
- Front Left Section: Receives more direct morning sun due to SE aspect and less overhead obstruction.

The garden is generally flat with a slight, almost imperceptible slope towards the right side. No significant level changes are proposed, maintaining a cohesive ground plane.

03 DESIGN DIRECTION

The design embraces a modern minimalist aesthetic, focusing on clean lines, geometric forms, and a restrained material palette. It aims to create a tranquil and highly functional outdoor space, using architectural plants to provide structure and year-round interest, complementing the hardscaping with textural contrast.

The modern minimalist language is ideal for a narrow urban garden, as it maximises perceived space through uncluttered design and clear circulation. Its emphasis on strong forms and limited colour palette creates a sense of calm and sophistication, perfectly suiting the client's desire for a contemporary, low-maintenance garden.

Design Principles

- Simplicity in form and function.
- Clean lines and geometric layouts.
- Emphasis on texture over excessive colour.
- Structured and architectural planting.
- Integration of natural and man-made materials.
- Maximising usable space and visual flow.

Material & Mood Direction


- Smooth Porcelain Paving
- Clean Decorative Gravel
- Rendered and Painted Walls
- Warm Timber Decking/Seating
- Lush Architectural Foliage

Colour Palette

 **Primary Foliage Green**
Lush evergreen foliage

 **Accent Foliage Purple**
Architectural plant contrast

 **Timber Brown**
Seating and decking

 **Hardscape Grey**
Paving and wall render

 **Gravel White/Grey**
Decorative ground cover

 **Subtle Bloom White**
Occasional floral accent

04 SPATIAL LAYOUT & ZONING



Garden Layout Plan — print this and take it outside.

The spatial composition employs a strong axial alignment, with the main path creating a clear visual corridor from front to rear. Rectilinear paving defines the social zones, contrasted by the organic flow of the central gravel garden and planting beds. Proportional balance is achieved by varying the depth of planting beds and the scale of hardscaping elements, ensuring the narrow garden feels expansive rather than confined. The existing evergreen tree is integrated as a key vertical element, anchoring the mid-ground.

Design Zones

Zone	Type	Area (m ²)
Entrance & Dining Area	Entertainment	12.5
Central Gravel Garden	Planting Bed	15
Rear Contemplation Nook	Contemplation	8
Left Border Planting	Planting Bed	6.5
Right Border Planting	Planting Bed	7.5
Utility Screen Area	Utility	1.5

Focal Points

- Feature Water Bowl: A contemporary, low-profile stone water bowl positioned in the Rear Contemplation Nook (B2), creating a tranquil sound and visual interest.

Architectural Phormium Grouping: A cluster of Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' in the Central Gravel Garden (C3), providing a strong vertical accent and rich colour.

- Linear Timber Bench: A sleek, minimalist timber bench integrated into the paving of the Main Seating Area (D4-E4), offering a comfortable resting spot and defining the edge of the dining zone.

Circulation Routes

- R1: Porcelain Paving, 0.9m wide
- R2: Decorative Gravel, 0.6m wide

05 PLANTING SPECIFICATION

The planting strategy focuses on creating distinct layers: an existing canopy layer from the retained evergreen tree (F4), an understorey of medium-sized architectural shrubs like *Fatsia japonica* and *Phormium*, a shrub layer of compact *Pittosporum* and *Choisya*, and a ground layer of textural grasses and groundcovers like *Hakonechloa*, *Stipa*, *Ophiopogon*, and *Heuchera*. Climbers (*Trachelospermum*) are used vertically on walls to maximise space.

Plant Schedule

Botanical Name	Common Name	Qty	Mature Size	Layer	Care
Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' 'Purpureum'	New Zealand Flax	3	1.5-2m H x 1.5m W	Shrub	
Fatsia japonica	Japanese Aralia	2	2-3m H x 2-3m W	Shrub	
Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola' 'Aureola'	Japanese Forest Grass	5	0.4m H x 0.6m W	Ground	
Stipa tenuissima	Mexican Feather Grass	7	0.6m H x 0.3m W	Ground	
Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens' 'Nigrescens'	Black Mondo Grass	8	0.2m H x 0.3m W	Ground	
Heuchera 'Palace Purple' 'Palace Purple'	Coral Bells	6	0.4m H x 0.4m W	Ground	
Trachelospermum jasminoides	Star Jasmine	2	3-6m H x 2-3m W	Climber	
Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb' 'Tom Thumb'	Kohuhu 'Tom Thumb'	3	0.8m H x 0.8m W	Shrub	
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald 'n' Gold' 'Emerald 'n' Gold'	Wintercreeper 'Emerald 'n' Gold'	4	0.5m H x 1m W	Ground	
Choisya ternata 'Sundance' 'Sundance'	Mexican Orange Blossom 'Sundance'	2	1.5m H x 1.5m W	Shrub	
Buxus sempervirens	Common Box	10	1m H x 1m W (clipped)	Shrub	

easy moderate needs attention

05b SEASONAL INTEREST MATRIX

Plant	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
New Zealand Flax	Emergence of new, upright purple-bronze leaves.	Bold, architectural form with deep purple foliage, occasional flower spikes.	Foliage maintains strong colour and structure.	Evergreen, providing year-round architectural presence and colour.
Japanese Aralia	Large, glossy, palmate leaves unfurl, creating a lush tropical feel.	Dense, evergreen foliage provides a cool, green backdrop.	Clusters of white, spherical flowers appear, followed by black berries.	Evergreen foliage offers structure and interest, berries persist.
Japanese Forest Grass	Bright golden-green foliage emerges, forming graceful mounds.	Cascading variegated leaves provide a soft, flowing texture.	Foliage turns coppery-orange, adding warm tones.	Dies back to ground, leaving dried foliage for winter interest before new growth in spring.
Mexican Feather Grass	Fine, bright green new growth emerges, creating a soft haze.	Silky, feathery plumes sway in the breeze, catching the light.	Foliage and plumes turn golden-blond, providing warm colour.	Dried plumes and foliage offer continued texture and movement, especially when frosted.
Black Mondo Grass	New black strap-like leaves emerge, forming dense clumps.	Deep black foliage provides striking contrast, small pale pink flowers may appear.	Foliage maintains its intense dark colour, followed by black berries.	Evergreen, offering dark, textural groundcover even in cold weather.
Coral Bells	Rich, deep purple-bronze leaves emerge, forming tidy clumps.	Foliage maintains colour, delicate white flowers appear on slender stalks.	Foliage deepens in colour, providing late-season interest.	Semi-evergreen in mild climates, retaining some foliage colour and texture.
Star Jasmine	New glossy green leaves emerge, forming a dense screen.	Profusion of highly fragrant, star-shaped white flowers.	Foliage may take on bronze-red tints in cooler weather.	Evergreen, providing a dense, dark green screen year-round.
Kohuhu 'Tom Thumb'	Compact, rounded form with small, crinkled, dark purple-green leaves.	Foliage maintains its deep colour, providing a dense, neat shape.	Leaf colour intensifies, offering rich texture.	Evergreen, maintaining its compact form and dark foliage for winter structure.
Wintercreeper 'Emerald 'n' Gold'	Bright green leaves edged with golden yellow emerge.	Vibrant variegated foliage provides year-round colour.	Yellow margins intensify to pinkish-red in cooler temperatures.	Evergreen, providing colourful groundcover even under snow.
Mexican Orange Blossom 'Sundance'	Bright golden-yellow new foliage emerges, vibrant and fresh.	Foliage retains its sunny colour, clusters of fragrant white flowers appear.	Foliage maintains its bright hue, providing a cheerful accent.	Evergreen, offering bright colour and structure through the colder months.
Common Box	New bright green leaves emerge, forming a dense, neat hedge.	Dense, dark green foliage provides a structured, formal element.	Foliage maintains its deep green colour and form.	Evergreen, offering year-round structure and definition to planting beds.

In **spring**, the garden awakens with fresh green growth from grasses and perennials, complemented by the vibrant golden-yellow of *Choisya 'Sundance'*. **Summer** brings the full lushness of evergreen foliage, the fragrant white blooms of *Trachelospermum*, and the delicate plumes of *Stipa tenuissima* swaying in the breeze. **Autumn** introduces warm coppery tones from *Hakonechloa* and intensified deep purples from *Phormium* and *Heuchera*. **Winter** maintains strong structural interest with the evergreen forms of *Fatsia*, *Pittosporum*, *Buxus*, and the dark *Ophiopogon*, ensuring the garden remains visually appealing year-round.

06 HARDSCAPE & MATERIALS PALETTE

The hardscape palette is deliberately restrained, featuring light grey porcelain paving and decorative gravel to establish a clean, expansive base. Off-white rendered walls provide a bright, neutral canvas, allowing the rich greens and purples of the planting to truly stand out. Dark charcoal composite decking and natural hardwood timber introduce warmth and textural contrast, ensuring the minimalist design feels inviting and sophisticated rather than stark. This cohesive material selection reinforces the modern aesthetic and creates a harmonious backdrop for the garden's features.

Materials Schedule

Element	Material	Finish	Unit Cost Estimate
Main Terrace Paving	Porcelain Paving Slabs	Matt, anti-slip	€50-€70per m ²
Central Garden Surface	Decorative Gravel	Washed, angular	€40-€60per tonne
Boundary Walls	External Render & Paint	Smooth, weather-resistant	€30-€50per m ²
Rear Nook Decking	Composite Decking	Grooved, anti-slip	€70-€100per m ²
Linear Bench	Hardwood Timber	Smooth, oiled	€150-€250per linear metre

These are ballpark figures to help you plan. Prices vary by supplier and region — always get a quote before you commit.

Boundary Treatments

- The existing concrete block walls on the left, right, and rear boundaries will be cleaned, repaired, and then rendered with a smooth finish, painted in an off-white colour. This creates a uniform, bright backdrop, enhancing the sense of space and highlighting the planting. Height remains approximately 1.5m.

Water Features & Focal Structures

- A minimalist, low-profile stone or concrete water bowl (approx. 0.8m diameter, 0.2m high) with a small submersible pump, creating a gentle bubbling sound. Positioned in the Rear Contemplation Nook (B2).
- Linear Timber Bench: A custom-built hardwood timber bench (approx. 2.5m L x 0.4m W x 0.45m H) integrated into the paving of the Main Seating Area (D4-E4), providing a sleek, contemporary seating solution.

Lighting Specification

Type	Location	Colour Temp
Uplighter	Along left and right planting borders	2700K
Path Light	Along the main paved circulation route	2700K
Feature	Within the water bowl in the Rear Contemplation Nook	3000K

07 SOIL, DRAINAGE & IRRIGATION

Soil Preparation



The initial step involves removing all existing sparse grass and debris. The entire garden area designated for planting beds will be excavated to a depth of 300-400mm. The existing subsoil will be broken up to alleviate compaction, then thoroughly mixed with a generous amount of well-rotted organic compost (50% soil, 50% compost) and coarse horticultural grit to improve structure, fertility, and drainage. A final layer of high-quality topsoil (150mm) will be added to achieve desired finished levels.

Drainage Strategy

Improved subsoil preparation and the addition of grit will enhance general drainage. For hardscaped areas, the porcelain paving and composite decking will be laid with a slight fall (1:80) away from the house towards a linear drain discreetly integrated along the right boundary. This drain will connect to a soakaway system located at the rear of the garden, ensuring efficient surface water management.

Mulching

All planting beds will be mulched with a 50-75mm layer of fine-grade bark mulch or decorative gravel (matching the central garden gravel). This will help suppress weeds, retain soil moisture, regulate soil temperature, and provide a neat, finished appearance. Mulch should be applied after planting and irrigation installation, and topped up annually in spring.

Irrigation Zones

Zone	Type	Coverage (m ²)
Perennial & Shrub Beds	Drip	20.5
Feature Planters & Climbers	Micro-spray	2

08 HOW TO DO IT — YOUR PHASED PLAN

RIGHT, LET'S GET STARTED

We've broken this into phases so it never feels overwhelming. Phase 1 is a great place to start — most people get it done over a couple of weekends. Come back to this plan whenever you're ready for the next step.

This weekend

- 'Site Clearance and Demolition
- 'Groundworks and Sub-base Preparation
- 'Wall Treatment and Paving Installation

Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION

Smart Irrigation Controller

Upgrade the standard irrigation timer to a smart controller that connects to local weather data. This system automatically adjusts watering schedules based on rainfall, temperature, and humidity, optimising water usage and plant health.

Given Ireland's variable weather, a smart controller would prevent overwatering during wet periods and ensure adequate hydration during dry spells, saving water and reducing manual adjustments for the homeowner.

€200–€400 installed

RECOMMENDATION

Integrated Garden Storage

Design and build a discreet, low-profile storage unit (e.g., a timber-clad box) within the utility screen area (Z6) to house garden tools, cushions, or a small composting system. This maintains the clean lines of the minimalist design.

The minimalist design relies on an uncluttered appearance. Dedicated, hidden storage is essential in a smaller garden to keep tools and other items out of sight, preserving the aesthetic and functionality.

€500–€1000 for custom build

RECOMMENDATION

Vertical Green Wall Section

Install a small, modular vertical green wall system on a section of the rendered left boundary wall (e.g., A3-A4), planted with shade-tolerant ferns or small-leaved evergreens. This adds a living art piece.

In a narrow garden, vertical planting maximises green space without encroaching on the footprint. It adds an unexpected lush element and textural interest to the otherwise plain boundary wall, enhancing the modern aesthetic.

€800–€1500 installed (for a small section)

Total Duration (Estimate) 12 weeks Based on a standard contractor team. Actual duration may vary.

Groundworks and hardscaping (paving, walls, decking) must be completed before any significant soil preparation or planting can begin. Irrigation installation should precede planting to avoid disturbing newly planted areas. Electrical

works for lighting and water features should be coordinated with groundworks for ducting, with final fixture installation occurring during the finishing phase.

Phase	Task	Time needed
Phase 1 — Hardscape	Site Clearance and Demolition	2–3 weekends
Phase 1 — Hardscape	Groundworks and Sub-base Preparation	2–3 weekends
Phase 1 — Hardscape	Wall Treatment and Paving Installation	3–4 weekends
Phase 2 — Planting	Soil Preparation for Planting Beds	2–3 weekends
Phase 2 — Planting	Irrigation System Installation	A weekend
Phase 2 — Planting	Planting and Staking	2–3 weekends
Phase 3 — Finishing	Gravel Laying and Mulching	A weekend
Phase 3 — Finishing	Lighting and Water Feature Installation	2–3 weekends
Phase 3 — Finishing	Furniture Placement and Final Clean-up	A weekend

09 ONGOING CARE

This is your year-round care guide. Every garden is different — use this as a starting point and adjust as you get to know your plants.

Season	Task	Frequency
Spring	Apply slow-release granular fertiliser	Annually
Spring	Prune deciduous grasses and deadhead early perennials	Annually
Summer	Monitor and adjust irrigation	Weekly
Summer	Lightly trim evergreen shrubs and climbers	Monthly
Autumn	Top up mulch layers	Annually
Autumn	General tidy and leaf clearance	Fortnightly
Winter	Inspect hardscaping and structures	Annually
Winter	Clean and store garden furniture	Annually

Annual Pruning Regime

Buxus sempervirens: Light trim in late spring/early summer to maintain desired shape. Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb': Light shaping in late spring. Choisya ternata 'Sundance': Prune after flowering to maintain shape and encourage new growth. Trachelospermum jasminoides: Prune after flowering to control spread and remove any dead wood. Stipa tenuissima & Hakonechloa macra: Cut back hard to ground level in late winter/early spring before new growth appears.

Feeding Schedule

Apply a balanced, slow-release granular fertiliser (e.g., 10-10-10 NPK) to all planting beds in early spring. For container plants (if any are added), use a liquid feed every 2-4 weeks during the growing season. No specific feeding required for the existing evergreen tree if healthy.



Long-term Management

Over a 5-10 year period, monitor plant growth and adjust pruning to maintain the desired minimalist forms. Consider dividing larger clumps of perennials (Heuchera, Ophiopogon) every 3-5 years to rejuvenate. Hardscaping materials, particularly timber, will require periodic cleaning and re-sealing/oiling to maintain their appearance and longevity. The irrigation system should be professionally checked annually. Walls may require re-painting every 5-7 years.

Professional Visits 2 per year

10 COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY

Category	Description	Low	High
Site Clearance & Groundworks	Removal of existing vegetation, paths, excavation, sub-base preparation, drainage installation.	€2,500	€4,000
Paving & Hard Materials	Porcelain paving, decorative gravel, composite decking, wall render materials.	€4,000	€6,500
Plants & Bulbs	All specified plants (shrubs, grasses, perennials, climbers) and any additional bulbs.	€1,200	€2,000
Soil & Mulch	High-quality topsoil, organic compost, horticultural grit, bark mulch.	€600	€900
Irrigation System	Drip and micro-spray system components, pipes, emitters, controller.	€400	€700
Lighting & Features	LED uplighters, path lights, water bowl, submersible light, electrical cable.	€800	€1,300
Garden Furniture & Accessories	Custom linear timber bench, any additional decorative items.	€700	€1,200
Total incl. 15% contingency		€11,730 – €19,090	

Estimates are based on retail prices for materials and plants available in Ireland, assuming self-implementation by the homeowner. These figures do not include any labour costs for professional contractors or design fees. Prices are indicative and subject to market fluctuations. It is recommended to obtain multiple quotes for bulk materials.

11 KEY CONSIDERATIONS

A few things worth checking before you get started — nothing to worry about, just good to know.

Planning Permission

Certain structures such as walls above a set height, outbuildings, or significant tree removal may require local authority approval. This should be confirmed before works commence.

Protected Trees

Any existing trees on or adjacent to the site may be subject to Tree Preservation Orders or equivalent local protections. These must be identified and checked before any removal or pruning takes place.

Boundary & Neighbour Considerations

Works near site boundaries may require neighbour notification or formal agreement, particularly where excavation, drainage, or new structures are involved.

Underground Services

Before you dig anything, know what's under your garden.

The presence of buried utilities including gas, water, electricity, and telecoms must be identified and confirmed before any excavation begins. A services search or on-site detection survey is strongly recommended.

Soil Assessment

Your soil is the foundation of everything.

Soil type, pH, compaction, and drainage characteristics will directly affect plant selection viability and drainage performance. A basic soil assessment is recommended before planting or groundworks begin.

Aspect & Microclimate

Sun path, prevailing wind direction, frost pockets, and shade cast by adjacent structures or planting can significantly affect plant survival and design performance. These should be validated on site before finalising the planting scheme.

Wildlife & Ecology

Existing habitats such as hedgerows, ponds, or areas of mature planting may support protected species. These should be assessed before any clearance or groundworks begin.

Materials Specification

All hard and soft landscaping materials should be fully specified before procurement, including finishes, grades, fixing methods, and preferred sources where relevant.

Measurements on Drawings

The measurements here are a guide — always measure your actual space before ordering materials.

All dimensions shown in this plan are indicative and represent design intent only. A construction or implementation plan would require these to be replaced with real, surveyed measurements taken on site before works commence.

Drainage & Levels

Surface water management, finished ground levels, falls to drain, and any significant changes in level across the site must be resolved during the design development stage.

Lighting & Electrical Implementation

Where lighting or power points are proposed, underground ducting to all outlet points must be planned in advance and installed during groundworks, before any surfacing or planting is laid.

Irrigation Specification

Where an irrigation system is proposed or recommended, full specification and routing should be confirmed prior to groundworks. This is particularly important in zen garden designs and in any scheme where drainage or dry soil conditions are a significant factor.

Phasing

Larger or more complex schemes may benefit from being implemented in phases, prioritising groundworks and structural elements before soft landscaping and planting.

Access for Plant & Machinery

Site access constraints may affect what equipment can be brought on site and how materials are delivered. This should be assessed before contractor engagement.

Contractor Coordination

Where multiple trades are involved, including groundworks, electrical, irrigation, and planting contractors, sequencing and coordination between trades should be planned in advance to avoid abortive works.

Maintenance Guidance

The ongoing maintenance requirements of this design should be clearly understood before implementation. This includes seasonal tasks, hard landscaping material care, and a plant management programme appropriate to the species specified.

App A GARDEN LAYOUT PLAN

Top-down layout sketch showing proposed planting areas. Print this and take it outside.



Plant Reference

#	Location	Plant	Description
1	Central feature bed	Phormium tenax 'Purpureum' — New Zealand Flax	Provides strong vertical accent and rich, dark foliage, central to the minimalist aesthetic.
2	Rear left corner	Fatsia japonica — Japanese Aralia	Large, glossy leaves provide bold texture and a lush, ever-green backdrop in the shadier rear corner.
3	Front left border edge	Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola' — Japanese Forest Grass	Offers fine texture, golden colour, and a soft, flowing contrast to hardscaping, excellent for border edges.
4	Mid-right gravel bed	Stipa tenuissima — Mexican Feather Grass	Adds movement, fine texture, and a naturalistic element to the gravel garden, thriving in sunny spots.
5	Front left border	Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens' — Black Mondo Grass	Provides a dramatic, dark groundcover, creating strong visual contrast against lighter paving and gravel.
6	Front central bed	Heuchera 'Palace Purple' — Coral Bells	Offers a splash of rich, dark colour and fine texture, ideal for softening edges and providing underplanting.
7	Rear left wall	Trachelospermum jasminoides — Star Jasmine	Provides an evergreen screen and fragrant blooms, softening the left boundary wall without taking up ground space.

8	Mid-right border	Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb' — Kohuhu 'Tom Thumb'	Offers dense, dark foliage and a compact, rounded form, perfect for structured planting and contrasting with lighter elements.
9	Mid-right border	Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald 'n' Gold' — Winter-creeper 'Emerald 'n' Gold'	Adds bright, variegated colour and evergreen groundcover, brightening shadier spots and providing textural contrast.
10	Front right border	Choisya ternata 'Sundance' — Mexican Orange Blossom 'Sundance'	Provides a vibrant splash of golden foliage and fragrant white flowers, adding brightness to the front right border.
11	Front border edging	Buxus sempervirens — Common Box	Used as a low hedge to define the edges of planting beds, providing classic, formal structure in keeping with the minimalist style.

App B APPENDICES

B — Site Photography: Before & After

BEFORE



YOUR REDESIGNED GARDEN



C — Your Finished Garden



<p>THEME Modern Minimalist</p>	<p>TRANSFORMATION 5 — Full redesign: Start fresh with a completely new vision for Se-facing the space</p>	<p>ORIENTATION</p>
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D — Plant Data Reference

Botanical Name	Sun	Water	Growth	Hardiness
Phormium tenax 'Purpureum'	Full Sun	Moderate	Moderate	RHS H4 / USDA 8b
Fatsia japonica	Partial Shade	Moderate	Moderate	RHS H4 / USDA 7b
Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola'	Partial Shade	Moderate	Slow	RHS H6 / USDA 5a
Stipa tenuissima	Full Sun	Low	Fast	RHS H4 / USDA 7a
Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens'	Partial Shade	Moderate	Slow	RHS H5 / USDA 6a



Heuchera 'Palace Purple'	Partial Shade	Moderate	Moderate	RHS H6 / USDA 4a
Trachelospermum jasminoides	Partial Shade	Moderate	Moderate	RHS H4 / USDA 8a
Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb'	Full Sun	Moderate	Slow	RHS H4 / USDA 8a
Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald 'n' Gold'	Partial Shade	Low	Moderate	RHS H5 / USDA 5a
Choisya ternata 'Sundance'	Full Sun	Moderate	Moderate	RHS H4 / USDA 7b
Buxus sempervirens	Partial Shade	Moderate	Slow	RHS H6 / USDA 5a

E — Notes & Caveats

- The exact condition of underground services is unknown; a full services survey is recommended prior to any excavation.
- Soil analysis has not been conducted; recommendations for amendments are general and may need adjustment based on specific test results.
- Access constraints for machinery and materials may impact implementation timelines and costs, assuming manual labour for most tasks.

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Your Garden Shopping List

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Plants

- 3 × New Zealand Flax
- 2 × Japanese Aralia
- 5 × Japanese Forest Grass
- 7 × Mexican Feather Grass
- 8 × Black Mondo Grass
- 6 × Coral Bells
- 2 × Star Jasmine
- 3 × Kohuhu 'Tom Thumb'
- 4 × Wintercreeper 'Emerald 'n' Gold'
- 2 × Mexican Orange Blossom 'Sundance'
- 10 × Common Box

Materials & Hardscape

- Main Terrace Paving — Porcelain Paving Slabs
- Central Garden Surface — Decorative Gravel
- Boundary Walls — External Render & Paint
- Rear Nook Decking — Composite Decking
- Linear Bench — Hardwood Timber

Tools & Sundries

- Garden fork or spade
- Trowel
- Compost (as required)
- Mulch (as required)
- Plant labels
- Watering can or hose