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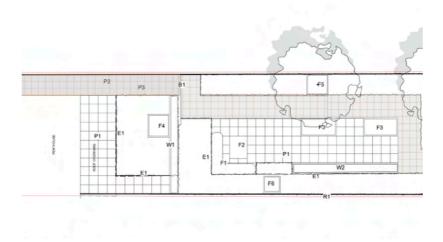
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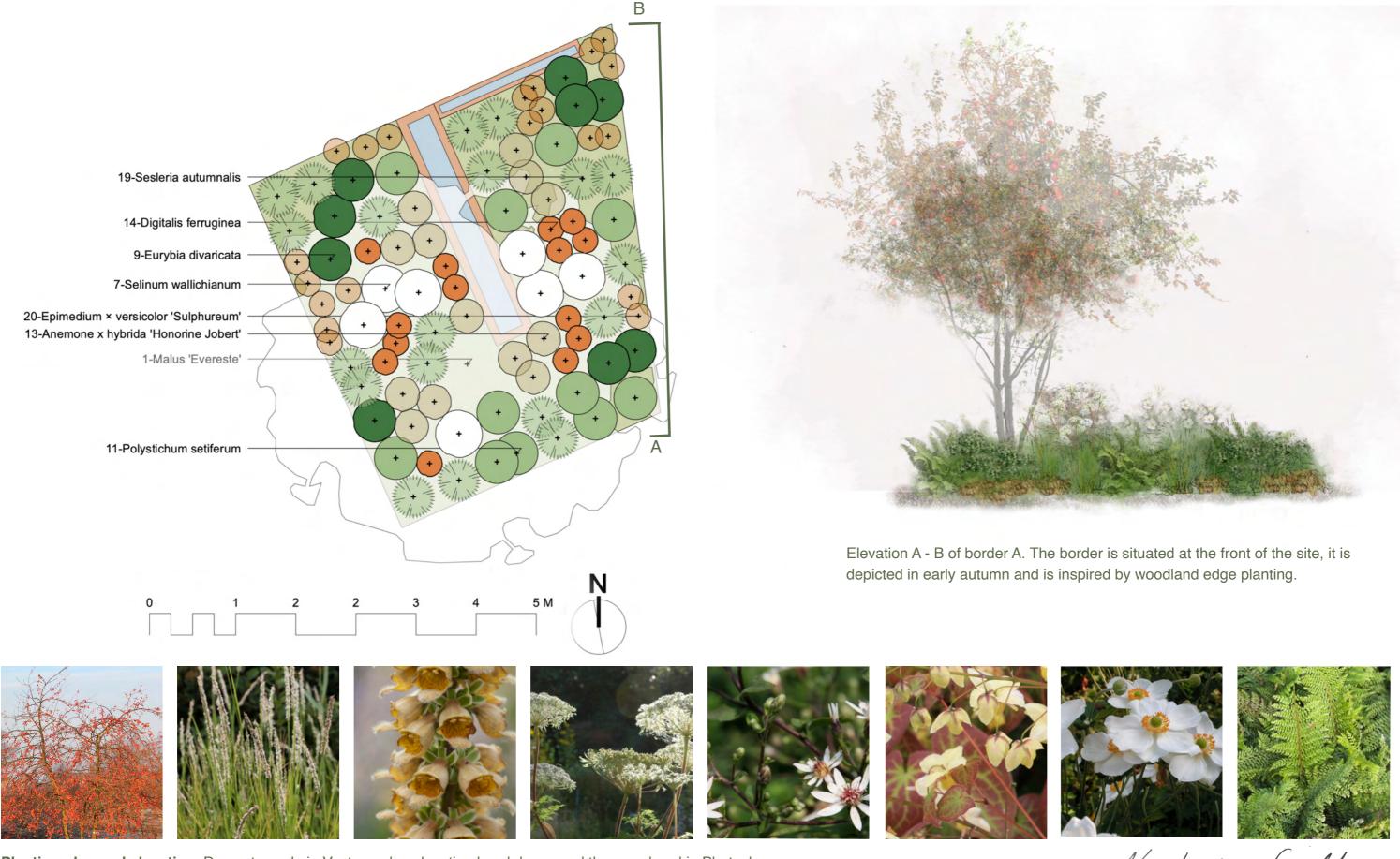


Inspired by the textile compositions of the women of the Bauhaus, the design interweaves the natural world with utilitarian weathering steel mesh pathways that connects the grounds of the Isokon to the nature reserve. The site will constantly evolve due to the kinetic and naturalistic planting. Designed to create a feeling of immersion and a sense of belonging. Increasing the biodiversity of the site was fundamental alongside using sustainable methods such as rain gardens, intensive green roofs, rainwater harvesting and recycling old site material.

Masterplan of Isokon Site. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks and rendered in Photoshop



Perspective visual looking to left hand side of the Isokon. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, modelled in SketchUp and then rendered in Photoshop.



Planting plan and elevation. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, elevation hand drawn and then rendered in Photoshop.



Visual looking towards the penthouse roof terrace. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, modelled in SketchUp and then rendered in Photoshop.

Residential Garden - Wimbledon



This garden was designed to create a heightened sense of nature and a space to retreat from the surrounding urban environment. The garden becomes an elemental landscape. Water, earth and fire harmoniously work together, allowing for an intimate and calming experience. The raw materials chosen add a warmth and tactility alongside the naturalistic woodland edge planting. The gravel pathway slows the pace and allows for more organic movement. A place for meditation and a space for togetherness.

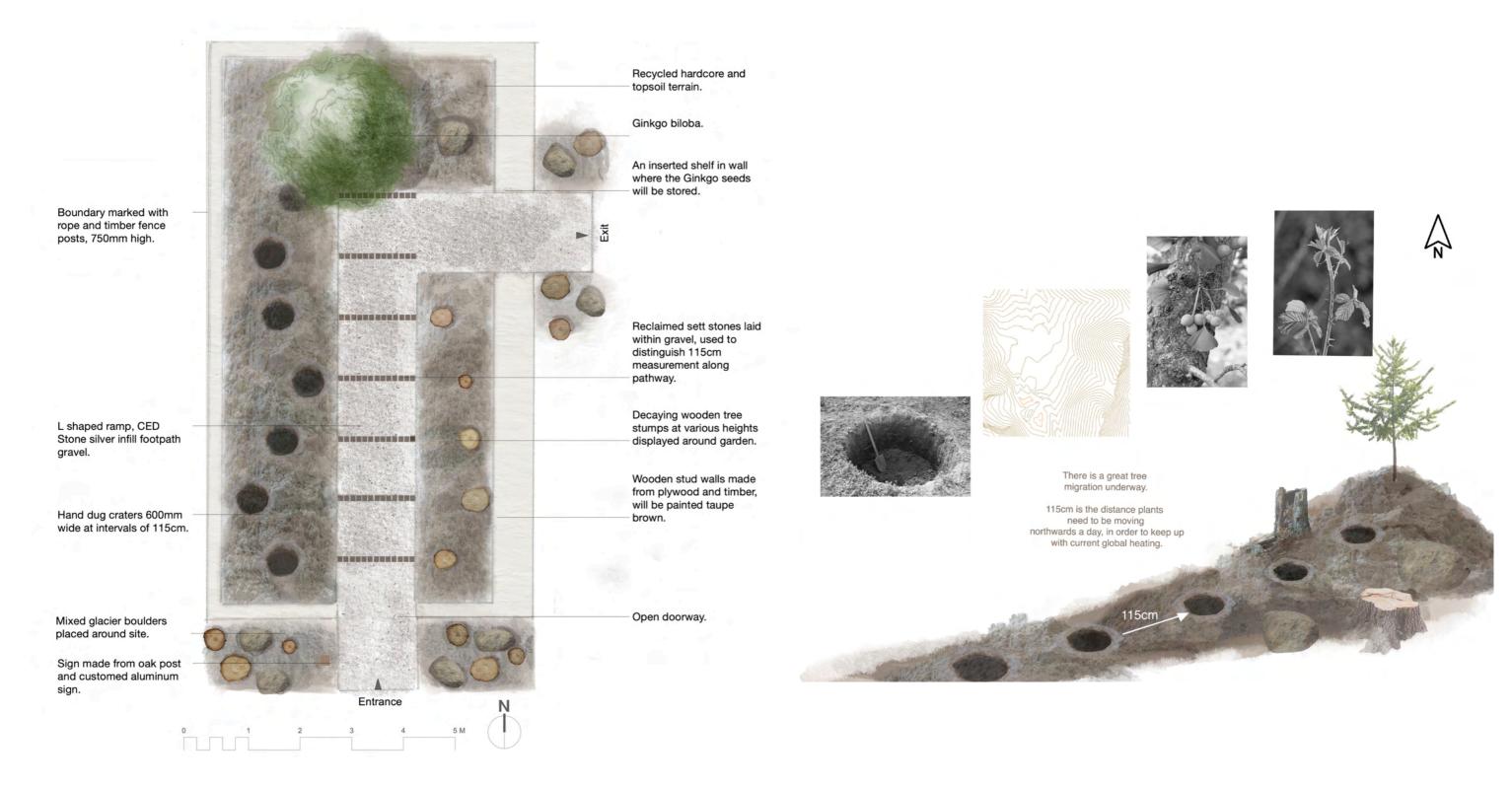
Residential Garden - Wimbledon



Perspective visual of the garden. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, modelled in SketchUp and then rendered in Photoshop.

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Global Impact Show Garden - An Ending (Ascent)



A conceptual show garden for the RHS Global Impact Category. I was inspired by the speed that plants need to move northwards in order to keep up with the pace of climate change. Scientists believe the distance is 115cm a day. This is shown in a human time frame of a week, through the pathway and the craters of the piece. A Ginkgo biloba will be placed at the end of the piece known for its resiliency throughout time. Native pioneer plants will be planted to show natures renewal and succession. At the end of the piece the visitors can take a Ginkgo seed home with them - so can leave feeling optimistic.

Masterplan. Drawn in Vectorworks, hand drawn and then rendered in Photoshop.

Global Impact Show Garden - An Ending (Ascent)



A cross section perspective looking towards the right of the garden. Drawn to scale by hand and then rendered in Photoshop.

Therapeutic Public Space - The Priory School, Lewes - The Quad









Inspired by the contours of the surrounding Sussex landscape, I've designed a forest school for all and a space to feel a sense of belonging, community and awe. Whilst also celebrating the uniqueness of Lewes, the school grounds become a nurturing environment to inspire growth and to improve the well-being of the pupils and staff.

The Quad, a thoroughfare for students and staff, is no longer exposed to the elements. A curvilinear green roofed pergola stretches across the site supporting native chalk grassland wildflowers. Three large singular beds will be planted up as large herb gardens. The Quad will also become an orchard with Sussex heritage apple trees interwoven amongst the pergola and planting beds.

Masterplan of the Quad. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, hand drawn and then rendered in Photoshop.

Therapeutic Public Space - The Priory School, Lewes -The Quad



A perspective visual looking towards the far left of the Quad. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks and then rendered in Photoshop.

Therapeutic Public Space - The Priory School, Lewes - The Courtyard



The Courtyard is inspired by the ancient woodland within the Sussex Downs. The site which was previously overlooked, will now be densely planted to create a private and enclosed space. The courtyard will now be for the staff of the school only as it backs onto the staffroom. I've created a calming, tranquil and quiet garden where privacy was fundamental to the staff. A place to escape from fast paced nature of the job and by having a muted green palette, the environment feels abundant and comforting.

Masterplan of the Courtyard. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, hand drawn and then rendered in Photoshop.

Therapeutic Public Space - The Priory School, Lewes - The Courtyard



Isometric perspective looking towards the far left of the Courtyard. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, modelled in SketchUp and then rendered in Photoshop.

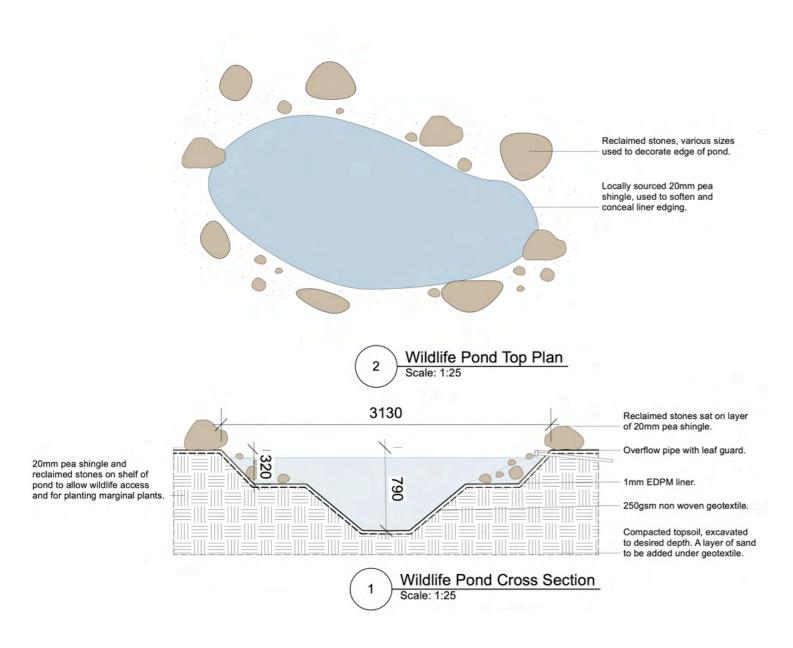
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- Construction Drawings
- General Arrangement and Setting Out Plan
- Lighting Plan
- Planting Plan, Elevation and Schedule

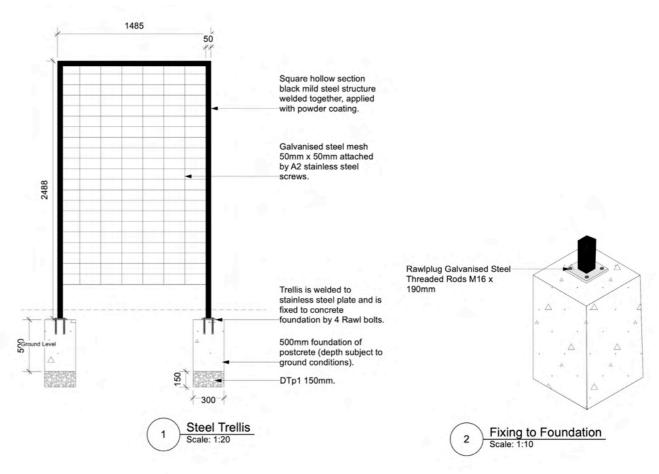
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Appendix - Construction Drawings

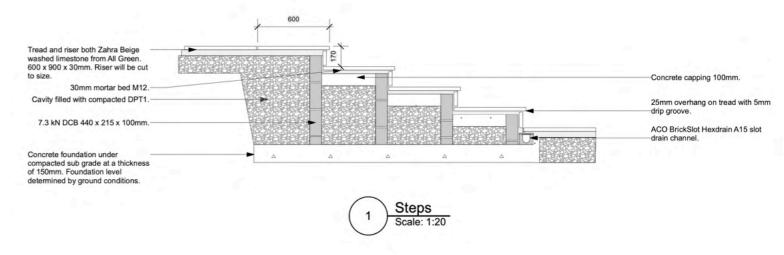
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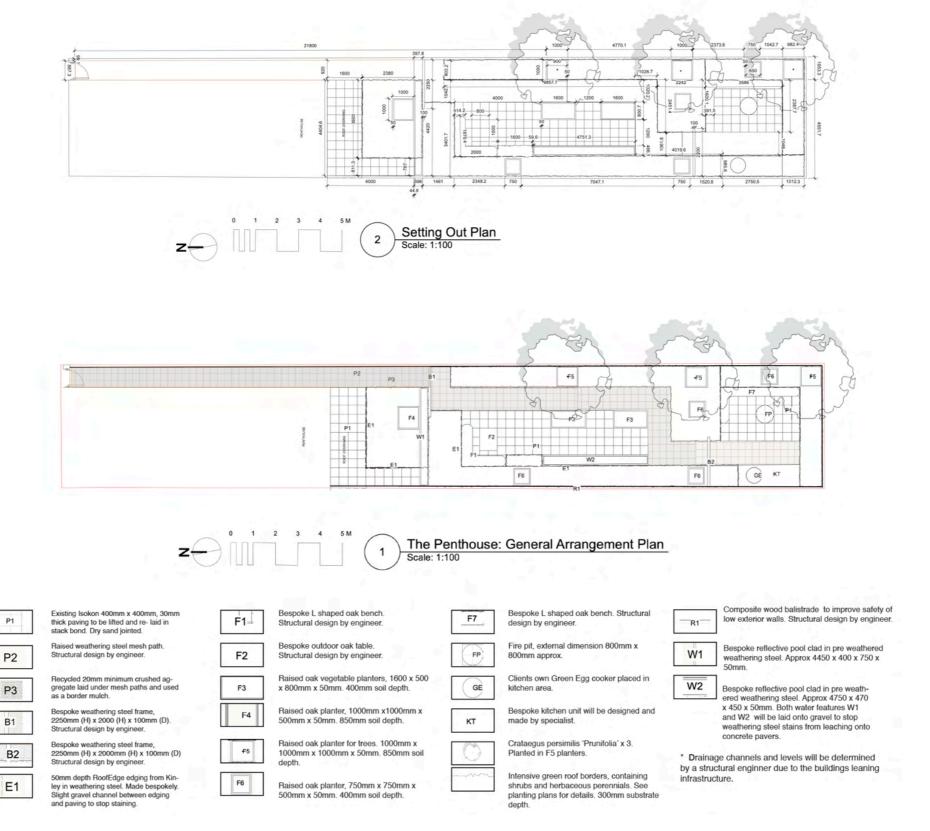
Appendix - General Arrangement and Setting Out Plan

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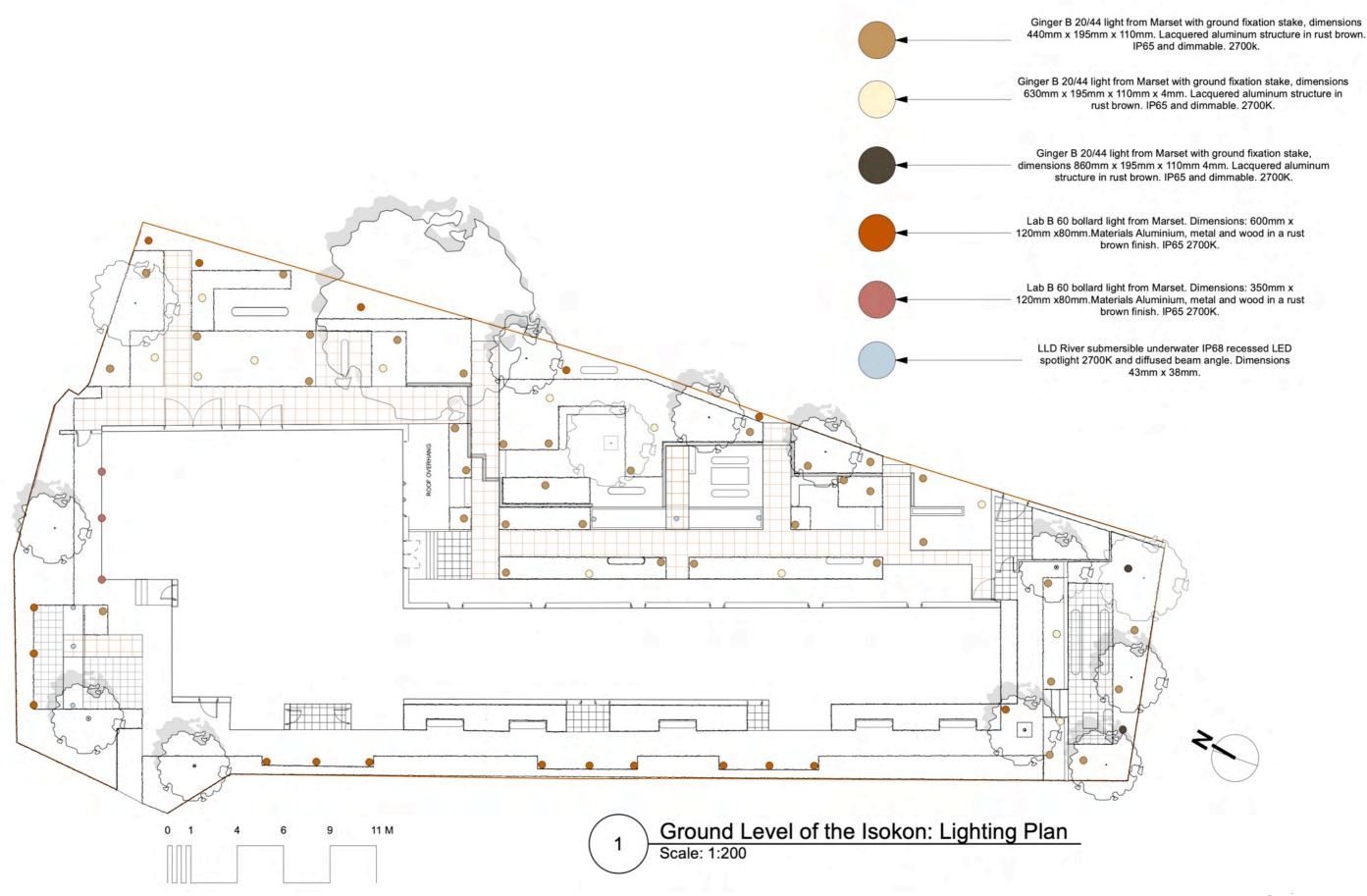
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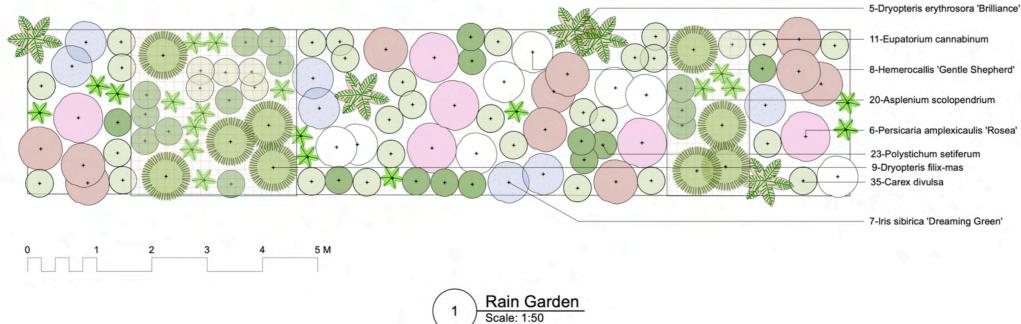


Appendix - Planting Plan, Elevation and Schedule



Rain Garden - Plant Schedule

Latin Name	Quantity	Size	Туре
Dryopteris filix-mas	9	2L	Fern
Dryopteris erythrosora 'Brilliance'	5	2L	Fern
Asplenium scolopendrium	20	2L	Fern
Polystichum setiferum	23	2L	Fern
Carex divulsa	35	2L	Sedge
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Rosea'	6	2L	Perennial
Eupatorium cannabium	11	2L	Perennial
Iris sibirica 'Dreaming Green'	7	2L	Perennial
Hemerocallis 'Gentle Shephard'	8	2L	Perennial
Leucojum aestivum	100		Bulb
Camassia leichtlinii 'Alba'	75		Bulb



Planting plan and elevation. Drawn to scale in Vectorworks, elevation is hand drawn and then rendered in Photoshop.

Kutie Needlam

About Me

As a garden designer and artist I have a deep appreciation for the natural world and it's where I find my greatest inspiration. Taking a sensitive and considered approach to the land, I wish to create gardens that are functional yet enchant and allow for humans to reconnect and coexist with the outdoors. Resiliency, sustainability and creating rich diverse ecosystems are all fundamental to my practice and inform my design decisions.

When I'm not working I spend most of my free time outside if possible, whether it's birdwatching, visiting gardens and going for long walks in my local forest.



Photograph: Andrew Fox. From the article 'Meet the people who ditched the grind for the garden' by Alice Vincent.

EDUCATION

Garden Design Diploma - Distinction KLC School of Design, 2023 Winner of the KLC Award for 'The Priory School' project.

RHS Level 3 Certificate in Practical Horticulture Moulton College, Northampton, 2022

The WRAGS Scheme, The Manor, Priors Marston, Warwickshire, 2021-2022

RHS Level 2 Diploma in the Principles and Practices of Horticulture Moulton College, Northampton, 2020-2021

BA (Hons) Fine Art: Sculpture - 2:1 The University of Brighton, 2015-2018

Foundation Diploma in Art and Design - Distinction The University of Northampton, 2014-2015

EMPLOYMENT

Self Employed Gardener, Good Nature Gardens Buckinghamshire, 2020 - Current.

Apprentice Gardener
The Manor, Priors Marston, Warwickshire, 2021-2022

Sales Advisor, COS Brighton, 2018-2020

EXPERIENCE

Great Dixter Autumn Plant Fair Volunteer, October 2023

RHS Chelsea Flower Show Volunteer on Cleve West's Centrepoint Garden, 2023

Hampton Court Palace Horticultural work experience, 2023

Nurture Through Nature Volunteer, charity growing food for food banks, Brighton, 2020



Hazel I coppiced, wove into arches and grew sweet peas up.



Native perennial wildflower meadow I established in a client's garden.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Vectorworks

SketchUp

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe InDesign

Microsoft Office



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