Project Description:

This garden reflects the intersection of nature and art; the juxtaposition of designed and natural; and the marriage of aesthetics and productivity. This design is also very personal to the designer and experimental with bold, contemporary, dynamic gestures and an infusion of landscape art. Hedges and forms of hornbeam, beech, yew and boxwood, and masses of herbaceous plants are used to structure these garden spaces. All are designed to emphasize seasonality, color and light, with these qualities changing from one space to the next. The mixture and diversity of plant life serves to support colonies of honeybees hived on the property and an extreme abundance of local insects, pollinators and wildlife.

The driveway is planted with colorful and drought tolerant perennials and the property has a large edible garden of organic production.

There is a tranquil swimming pool and a water feature with a backdrop of espaliered linden trees. A double herbaceous border with a unique collection of plants again emphasizes beautiful qualities that change from one garden space to the next. The garden’s identity derives from juxtaposed plantings and elements and a distinctive fence with cubed plantings separating the pool garden from the hen house and meadow. The meadow is the most naturalistic area where the beehives are housed and where the hens can roam from their house.

As one navigates the property stunning sculptures and earthworks lead to the front of the property. Here, huge swaths of herbaceous plantings are juxtaposed with a sinuous purple beech hedge.
1. Driveway with Perennial Plantings
2. Parking Courtyard
3. Residence
4. Vegetable Garden
5. Double Herbaceous Garden
6. Pool Environment
7. Cubed Plantings & Pool Fence
8. Chicken Coop & Meadow
9. Sculpture, Landworks & Hornbeam Hedge
10. Landworks & Apple Sculpture
11. Sinuous Beech Hedge w/ Swaths of Herbaceous Borders
12. Roadside Wildflower Planting
The garden experience begins with a gravel driveway with stone inlays which is planted with colorful and drought tolerant perennials.
Structure is added with two sets of espaliered linden trees which are under-planted with bright golden Japanese hakone grasses.

One arrives at a parking courtyard and must carefully navigate the collection of interesting and architectural plants growing out of the gravel.

A potting shed confirms a gardener’s interest here and one immediately gets a glimpse of a large edible garden over a sheared beech hedge.
This organic and sustainable production is certainly residential scale but beautifully tended. A central berry cage reflects another garden structure on the opposite side of the property which houses the homeowner’s flock of hens.
In between these areas are a tranquil swimming pool and bubbling water features with a backdrop of more espaliered linden trees. A double herbaceous border with a unique collection of plants again emphasizes beautiful qualities that change from one garden space to the next.
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Tranquility and beauty are wed in this private space.
The garden's identity derives from juxtaposed plantings and elements and a distinctive cedar fence with cubed plantings of yew and boxwoods separate the pool garden from the hen house and meadow.
The meadow is the most naturalistic area where the beehives are also housed and has been seeded with ox-eyed daisies, Queen Anne’s Lace and common yarrow for a mass of white wildflowers.
The hens are allowed to roam under the owner’s supervision.
As one navigates the property, a stunning sculpture, ‘A Brave New World’ by Rick Kirby, sits in an area of earthworks surrounded by a tightly sheared circular hornbeam hedge. Adjacent to this is another sculpture, ‘Large Green Apple’, sitting on a mound of grass. There is a whimsical moment here as this is surrounded by seven Honeycrisp apple trees.
At the front of the property, huge swaths of herbaceous plantings are juxtaposed with a sinuous purple beech hedge and more cubes of beech and hornbeam.
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Cirsium rivulare ‘Trevors Blue Wonder’

Liatris pycnostachya

Astrantia major ‘Roma’

Papaver atlanticum ‘Flore Pleno’

Centurea m. ‘Black Sprite’

Verbascum ‘Cotswold King’

Agapanthus

Lychnis coronaria ‘Alba’

Klasea bulgarica

Cynara cardunculus

Phlomis tuberosa

Verbena bonariensis

Kniphofia linearfolia

Onopordum acanthium

Rudbeckia sub. ‘Henry Eilers’

Verbena hastata

Pastinaca sativa

Valerian officinalis
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Production and harvest of vegetables and cut flowers.