



# WYNYATE FRONT GARDEN – PLANTING PALETTE

Tree & Shrub Planting proposals  
chosen for their successional seasonal interest  
REVISED 25.1.19 (Changes where ZONE is in **bold**)



PLANT ZONES



ZONE 1( Jill's office )





### Ornamental flowering cherry trees

Living in Herts/Bucks you can't help seeing the popularity of these trees but with good reason. They offer up a spread of blossom from winter through to late Spring and provide a vivid Autumnal display as their leaves die back.

*Prunus incisa* *Kojo-No-Mai* – A small variety often confused as a bushy shrub which has a spectacular show of small white flowers early Spring to mid April.

ZONE: 1





## *Hydrangea*

Many varieties here but they need space and growing up to 3 meters high they do tend to dwarf surrounding perennials with more floral interest. The blue 'types' only remain blue in an acidic soil or one which has been complimented by adding aluminium sulphate . They prefer half a day's sunshine and tolerate part shade well. I propose the clean white variety *H. Annabelle* which I have used successfully for underplanting tree standards

ZONE: 1, 3, 4, 8



ZONE 2( Left bed)





*Spiraea arguta*

**ZONE: 2**

Flowering: **April/May**

Wonderful display of white flowers. To secure abundant flowering requires pruning annually immediately after flowering





*Abelia grandiflora*

Reliable compact bushy shrub

Fragrant arching white flowers

SEMI EVERGREEN

Flowering July-September

**ZONE: 2**



ZONE 3( Top Left bed)





*Trachelospermum jasminoides*

EVERGREEN

My favourite evergreen climber and perfect to cover 3 trellis's on the front house wall. This confederate or Star jasmine has delicate white flowers that produce a heady perfume. They perform extremely well in full sun and flower from June to September.

ZONES: 3,4,8





## Honeysuckle

*Lonicera henryana*. Evergreen non- scented variety flowering in mid Summer

*Lonicera halliana*, Evergreen large leaved, highly scented in mid summer

*Lonicera perichlymenum* Graham Thomas Deciduous highly scented, longest flowering variety

ZONES: 3,4,8



ZONE 4 (Wall bed)





Rosa Iceberg (climber)  
Sweet smelling small repeat flowering rose which I  
have successfully planted against walls  
and over arches  
Flowering: June/July to September

**ZONE: 4**



Climbing rose

*Rosa* Generous Gardener. Highly fragrant and repeat flowering this musk rose is hardy and reliable. The leaves remain on the plant well into the winter. Requires little pruning if trained on a trellis

**ZONE: 4**





The only herbaceous perennial I would propose for this low maintenance garden is Clematis. Clematis cannot be described as easy because they fall into 3 pruning categories and if you want to mix with other climbers such as Jasmine you'd be best advised to choose the same pruning schedule. My advice is to choose the following to intermix so you have a show of white and purple:

1. *Clematis* General Sikorski – early summer & early autumn flowering
2. *Clematis* The President – May/June flowering
3. *Clematis viticella* Etoile Violette – mid to late summer flowering
4. *Clematis viticella* Polish Spirit – mid summer to late Autumn flowering

ZONES: 3,4,8



*Viburnum plicatum* 'mariesii'

Wonderfully attractive white flowers on tiered stems like a wedding cake! Beautiful autumn colours too

Flowering: **May/June**

ZONE: 4



*Pittosporum tenuifolium* 'Elizabeth'  
EVERGREEN  
Fragrant in early summer  
Reliable shrub with good variegation

**ZONE: 4**



ZONE 5 (Top terrace bed)



*Sarcocca hookeriana* var *digna*

'Sweet Box' amazing scent in the depth of winter.

Pretty white flowers

Flowering: December

ZONE 5 (Nearest front door)





*Cornus kousa* var. *chinensis* Bodnant form

Hardy with large creamy white bracts  
Flowering: May/June

**ZONE: 5**



*Escallonia* 'Donard Seedling'

**EVERGREEN**

Vigorous compact evergreen with dark glossy  
leaves and rose red flowers

Flowering: June

ZONE: 5





*Pittosporum tenuifolium* Irene Patterson

Hardy **EVERGREEN** shrub with simple, leathery leaves and small, honey scented deep purple , 5-petalled flowers

Flowering: **May to June**

**ZONE: 5**



*Hebe* “Purple Pixie”

An EVERGREEN dwarf shrub

This shrubby *Veronica* has rounded bronze evergreen foliage noted for its delicious violet flowers that grow copiously on erect spikes.

Flowering: **May to September**

ZONE: 5



ZONE 6 (Mid terrace bed)



*Carpenteria californica*

EVERGREEN

Mid sized bushy attractive shrub with bowl-shaped  
white flowers in summer

H4 hardiness (average winter -10 - -5)

Flowering: July-September

**ZONE: 6**





## Architectural shrubs

I tend to incorporate a few of these to take the eye away from hard landscaped corners, house right angles etc. They also perform as well at the back of borders. All are happy in part shade but perform well in full sun.

1. *Sambuca nigra* 'Black Lace' The black elderflower is an excellent counterpoint for most perennials as its colour and habit give style and structure to the less formal perennials

ZONE: 6





*Choisya ternata* Aztec Pearl

This accompanies the 'mock orange' with its powerful orange scent  
The Mexican orange is an evergreen that flowers in Spring and Autumn.

ZONE: 6





Wonderful true blue *Hibiscus syriacus* “Oiseau Bleu”  
Bright blue flowers arrive in late Spring and last  
through to the end of August

ZONE: 6



ZONE 7 (Lower terrace bed)



*Iberis sempervirens*

EVERGREEN

Pretty spreading sub-shrub 30cms high

Flowering: July-August

**ZONE: 7**



Climbing and shrub rose  
*Rosa Felicia*

My favourite bushy shrub rose with the most delicious scent. I propose 3-5 of these planted along the front drive border retained by the box hedge

ZONE: 7





*Buxus sempervirens* Box hedge is excellent as a low perimeter hedge.  
EVERGREEN requiring 2 clips a season

ZONE: 7 To provide an edge to the lowest planting beds and driveway



ZONE 8 (Wall bed)



I'm not a huge lover of the tulip magnolia (*grandiflora*) as they tend to swamp any design subtlety but this one is really a star hence *Magnolia Stellata*. Lovely white foil to March/April/early May planting.

ZONE: 8 (Alternative: Zone 1 or 12)





Architectural shrubs

*Euphorbia amygdaloides* & *subsp.characias*

ZONE: 8



*Lavandula* 'Hidcote' is my preferred lavender as it has a neat compact form, the deepest tone of flowers and a powerful scent. Avoid giving these plants too much 'tlc' as being of truly Mediterranean origin they like to struggle a bit in full sun. I have lost many to soils which have been too heavily fertilised/composted.

ZONE: 8 To line the top path (house side) and either side of the steps providing wonderful purple flowers with superb scent



ZONE 9 (Top angled bed)



*Viburnum tinus* 'French white' – reliable evergreen, scented, flowers Feb-March.  
ZONE: 9



*Buddleia davidii* with its evocative smell and languorous habit . I propose 'Dark Knight' as a dramatic deep purple. ZONE: 9



ZONE 10 (Mid angled bed)



*Ceanothus* Trewithen Blue. We all deserve a Californian lilac but the difficult thing is to find the bluest variety. I'm still undecided but this one definitely performs for me. Full sun, happy even on a slope if well watered. Tough, resilient and long lasting if pruned after flowering. Flowers May/June. Also recommend *C. Burkwoodii* in addition as flowers August/September and needs a prune by a third.

ZONE: 10





*Syringa* Madama Lemoine

Pure whitefragrant flowers flowers from yellowish buds

Bushy medium sized lilac

Flowering: May

**ZONE: 10**





ZONE 11 (Lower angled bed)



1. *Philadelphus Virginal*  
(Mock Orange)



An absolute must in your garden as the scent is wonderful and shape and structure within this plant are remarkable. Flowering June and July this 'Mock Orange' eclipses most shrubs with its powerful scent.

ZONE: 11



*Melianthus major* Wonderful companion plant with an extraordinarily powerful chocolate smell! ZONE: 11



ZONE 12 (Low corner bed)





2. *Amelanchier grandiflora* “Robin Hill” Dense upright small tree which bursts into life end of March with small white/pink starry flowers. Has eye-catching red berries in June followed by rich red and orange Autumnal foliage.

ZONE: 12( FIRST CHOICE)



*Deutzia x Hybrida* Mont Rose

Hardy and fragrant

Flowering: June

ZONE: 12



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