



The Less is More Garden: Big Ideas for Designing Your Backyard *Presented by Susan Morrison*

Attention, space-challenged gardeners! The less is more approach to garden design was created specifically to address the realities small to-average sized backyards present. From learning a novel technique that will help you determine the best ways to invest your budget, to strategies for creating spaciousness to suggestions for high-performing, problem-solving plants, you will learn how less space and effort can result in more beauty and enjoyment.

Defining the Lifestyle Garden: Begin with the three W's

- WHAT will you be doing in the garden
- WHEN will you be outside
- WHO will be with you

Getting More From Less

- Double Duty Design
- Finding Space
- Creating Illusions
- See-Through Plants

The Art of the Focal Point

- Lead the Eye
- Unify a Space
- Bring the Outdoors In

Plants Mentioned

- 'Chef's Choice' Rosemary
- 'Pesto Perpetuo' Basil
- *Prunus caroliniana* 'Bright 'N Tight Carolina Laurel'
- *Dodonaea viscosa* 'Atropurpurea', Purple Hopseed Bush
- *Acer palmatum* 'Orange Dream' 'Orange Dream' Japanese Maple
- *Clematis virginiana* 'Sweet Autumn Clematis'
- *Corylus avellana* 'Contorta' Harry Lauder's Walking Stick
- *Anigozanthos* 'Big Red' and 'Ruby Velvet', Kangaroo Paw
- *Leonotis menthifolia*, Dwarf Lion's Tale
- *Bouteloua gracilis* 'Blonde Ambition' Grama Grass

Susan Morrison Author of *The Less is More Garden: Big Ideas for Designing Your Small Yard*, landscape designer Susan Morrison is a nationally recognized authority on small-sized outdoor spaces. Susan's designs have been featured in various publications, including *Small Space Gardening*, *Cottages and Bungalows* and *Fine Gardening* magazine, where she also contributes articles on design and plant selection.

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