

## **GARDEN DESIGN BRIEFING FORM**

Thanks for your interest in involving me. Please fill out as much as is relevant here.  
For multiple choice answers, please circle your response. Add any comments in the gaps.

### **1. Which area do you want design help with?**

Front/Back/Side/parts of ...*please specify*

### **2. What do you want your garden/feature for?**

Will any of these use the garden regularly:

Children/infirm or disabled/allergy sufferers/animals  
(*Please give details of garden users*)

How are you most likely to use your garden:

Sunbathing/sitting in sun/sitting in shade/reading or working/pottering/serious gardening

Meals: breakfast/lunch/tea/supper?

Entertaining: how many people? Barbecue area?

Playing informal games of: croquet/bowls/chess/badminton/cricket/football/other.....  
and how often?

### **3. What feel and style would you like?**

Eg formal/informal/romantic/modern/wildlife/cottage/organic etc

#### **4. Garden features**

- a) Are there existing features you would like to keep, move or remove? If so, what are they?
  
- b) New features:  
Statuary/arches/ pergolas/gazebos/seats/steps etc? Any preferred positions?

Is soft planting to be used as a stand-out feature, eg architectural plants?

Focal points to be used? Eg local views or features inside the garden

#### **5. Green areas: What are your requirements for:**

Short grass?

Long grass?

Proportion of shrubs?

#### **6. Planting:**

Likes and dislikes?

Planting to be retained?

Do you have any favourite colours? Or ones to avoid?

#### **7. Water**

Pond/lake/stream/fountain/childproof feature etc

**8. Other requirements:**

Garden Buildings

Fruit and vegetables

Rubbish, compost heap etc?

Lighting? (security/decorative/entertainment area)

**9. What do you see as the main advantages and/or disadvantages of your site?**

**10. How many hours per week, on average, are you prepared to spend gardening?**

**11. How are you planning to build this garden?**

Self /contractor /gardener or odd job man /other

What is your timescale for building the garden, and do you want it in phases or to do it all at once?

**12. What is your budget for construction and planting?**

**13. Is there anything else you would like me to know? (continue on back)**

**14.** Please include a **basic plan of the garden**, showing where north is, measurements, slopes, and any photos you think will help, including from the garden looking to the house and from the house to the garden.

**Please send your completed questionnaire, plan and photos to:**

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**Thank you.**