

# Little wonders - courtyard gardens

This project was a particular challenge, as are most small spaces.

The brief was to provide a garden of contemporary feel with a sitting area in a sunny location, to give access from the side gate to the front door and privacy from overlooking windows, and disguise the noise from overflow pipes.

To sympathise with the architecture of the house, a dark blue, small clay cobble was used on a curved path linking the side gate to the front door. This was located on the north side of the courtyard, leaving space for a raised deck in the sunniest part of the garden, creating a more contemporary feel. The small unit cobble and narrow decking

boards gave a feeling of space.

Bamboos and bays were used to screen windows and walls, adding an element of mystery and introducing movement and scent from the leaves.

A small circular water feature provided sound which helped disguise the noise of the overflow pipes and also provided movement and attracted wildlife, while the metal table and chairs gave a modern feel. To complete the project a range of plants gave good structure and interest all year round.

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