



THE LANDSCAPE CONSULTANTS

Your design and installation team



A Victorian Perennial Garden

“To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow”

Whether you want a Victorian or Cottage Garden, you simply have to conjure up in your mind a mixture of bright flowers, herbs and maybe a few vegetables packed in to a small space. Then you will be able to see and smell the garden from where you are. Even if these garden seem to be an array of unruly plants tumbling over each other. The true cottage gardens have strong elements of formality. These are often small rectangular plots; they have direct and functional paths, sturdy hedges or fences and vegetables grown in straight rows.

However the two ideas – the romantic impression of abundant flowers versus the reality of practical order, can in fact be a very successful design solution for today's small lots and urban living. With today's modern cultivars of roses, trees, shrubs and perennials the gardener can have a more disease resistant, low maintenance garden that has all the beauty of the old-fashioned cottage gardens. The aim is a sense of intimacy, enclosure and pleasant nostalgia, with plants and artificial structures working in harmony. By adding a bench in the garden where it will catch the afternoon sun or placing a rusty metal obelisk in the middle of the flowerbed for a vine to grow up, you will be well on your way to transforming your garden into a **Victorian or Cottage Garden!**