



Thank you for enquiring about our garden design service, the following information details the process we will undertake to design your garden.

**Initial consultation** - This will take place in your garden so we can consider the space and use our design expertise to explore it's potential. We will listen to your needs and discuss how you imagine living in your newly designed space. **Initial consultations are charged at \*£100, payable in advance (\*additional fees for mileage may apply.)**

**Design brief** - After the initial consultation we will prepare a design brief for your project, this will outline our approach and our proposed fees to complete your design. Following approval, we will commence with your design drawings. These will include.

1. Site survey
2. Master plan and mood boards
3. Construction drawings e.g. Lighting plan
4. Planting plan
5. Project administration

**Step 1 – Site survey** - An accurate topographical survey of the existing garden is required before any design work can begin. This will be undertaken by a professional surveyor to locate the boundaries, hard surfaces, doors, windows, services, existing vegetation and levels all relative to the house. We will be able to recommend a certified surveyor for you.

**Step 2 – Master plan and mood boards** - A master plan is a scaled 2D layout plan produced in CAD showing details of terraces, steps, walls, planting, lawns, trees and any other elements such as pergolas or water features. The master plan does not include planting plans, these will follow once the master plan is approved. The mood boards will reflect design details and give you a sense of the overall look and feel for your garden. Upon presentation we will invite your feedback and make any amendments to the design, should you wish. If you would like to see 3D renders of your design, we can quote for this service once the masterplan has been approved. **Design time is charged at £720 per day + VAT, we will provide a fee proposal after your initial consultation. Upon instruction 50% fees will be required to commence.**

**Step 3 – Construction drawings (Lighting plan)** - We can prepare detailed construction drawings to enable your landscape contractors to quote and then build the garden. This can include setting out plans, lighting plans and any technical drawings for items such as pergolas or water features. We would strongly recommend considering garden lighting within your design as it not only extends the use of your outside space but creates a beautiful backdrop from the house after dark. A lighting plan will show locations, quantities and types of fittings. **Construction drawings are charged at £90 per hour +VAT. The amount of time required will be agreed with you at all stages.**

**Step 4 – Planting plan** - A planting plan and schedule can be produced once the master plan has been approved. This will detail species, size, quantities and positions to enable accurate quoting and implementation. We can discuss costs and timings for us to supply and plant once your contractor reaches a suitable stage in construction. **Design time is charged at £720 per day +VAT, we will provide a fee proposal after your initial consultation.**

**Step 5 – Project administration** – Site supervision and project management are a crucial part of our service and ensure that the project runs smoothly. We would also love to support you in sourcing any styling elements such as furniture and pots. We work closely with a range of suppliers and would be able to find something that not only suits your budget but works beautifully within the design. **Project administration is charged at £90 per hour +VAT. The amount of time required will be agreed with you at all stages.**



Thank you for enquiring about our planting consultation service, the following information details the process we will undertake during and after your consultation.

### **Planting consultation**

Our planting consultations are intended to advise you on what planting will work well within existing garden areas or show you how to use additional planting to enhance and develop new spaces. We can also provide expert advice on subjects such as pruning, training and general garden management.

During your consultation we will discuss what you would like to achieve and ask you about your preferred gardening / planting styles. We will work together to create an achievable plan for your garden, as well as considering any long-term plans for future development.

We would strongly recommend that the consultation takes place in your garden, as this will allow us to fully evaluate the areas in question and use our expertise to consider their potential. However, if this is not feasible, we are happy to talk through your project here at Preston Bissett nursery, but we would ask that you provide us with pictures and measurements of the areas in question prior to your consultation. **On site consultations are charged at £100, payable in advance (\*additional fees for mileage may apply). Nursery consultations are charged at £60 (per hour), payable in advance.**

### **Planting consultation report**

Shortly after your consultation we will provide you with a consultation report detailing everything we discussed and outlining our recommended approach to your project. Our report is intended to provide you with considered advice and appropriate suggestions that will enable you to achieve your garden aspirations.

If you would like us to develop our report into a detailed planting plan and provide costs to implement your new planting, we can provide you with a quote for the design time required to do this for you. **Design time is charged at £60 per hour +VAT, the amount of time required will be agreed with you beforehand.**

### **Hard landscaping**

Please note that our planting consultations are not intended to advise on hard landscaping elements such as patios, paths or garden structures. If you are considering adding some hard landscaping into your existing garden, then our garden design service will be better suited for you. Whilst we mainly take on full garden re-designs, we can also help develop specific areas such as seating or dining terraces and our garden designers will be happy to talk you through the garden design process and arrange an initial consultation with you.

We love working on gardens of all shapes and sizes and understand that every garden is different. Our consultation service is designed to support your specific needs, from initial ideas to getting plants in the ground, we are here to help every step of the way.

With Kind regards,

The Preston Bissett design team.