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GARDEN GROW-HOW

Why a garden is for life, by Leigh-on-Sea-based **Katrina Kieffer-Wells** of Earth Designs



It's that time of year when most of us are too preoccupied with Christmas to give a thought to the garden. But once the festivities are over, spring will be just around the corner and summer not far behind. Before you know it, you'll want to be back outside and unless you start thinking about what you want from your outdoor space now, the same old garden will be waiting for you.

Why redesign your garden now?

Now is the ideal time to think about what you want from your garden. As plants and foliage die back you'll be left with a blank canvas,

which is the perfect starting point for creating the garden you want.

A gift that keeps on giving

I know we're biased, but it also happens to be true that your garden is a gift that will just keep giving. While we often transform gardens over a few weeks, the benefits and rewards of a well-designed garden last much longer. Start the design process now to get the garden you want and reap the rewards for many Christmases to come.

Showcase your style and creativity

Often, people pay huge attention to every



View of a combined seat and raised bed planted with herbs, and paved area



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last interior design detail but forget about the outside. Nowadays there are so many creative ways to reflect your personal style in your garden, from colour choices to textures, accessories, lighting and design details. Bring a touch of that interior design creativity outside and you could be looking out onto much more than a boring backyard next summer.

Revolutionise your social and family life

People also forget that the garden is part of your home. It is, or can be, much more than a patch of grass to kick a ball around. Previous Earth Designs clients tell us that their new

garden has transformed how they use the space in their home. That they spend more time together as a family, or with friends, in their new outside spaces. And that the new view from their window brings them pleasure every day. But with a little care, your garden will only get better with each passing year. And that’s a gift worth cherishing.

Award-winning Earth Designs are members of the British Association of Landscape Industries and the Association of Professional Landscapers. Book your two-hour garden design consultation to begin the garden design process.



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