

fáilte go dtí na cluainte

Ó fhobair Philippa Bayliss grá mór do phlandaí agus í ina páiste, bhí ról lárnach ag an ngairdín seo ina cuid oibre mar phéintéir. Ó ghairdín in Gravesend ar dhuirling sceirdiúil, na taipéisí den Bhean agus an tAonbhannach, mionphictiúir Pheirseacha, scollaí tírdhreacha na Síne agus comhtháthú gairdín agus tírdhreach de chuid Capability Brown a tháinig coincheap an ghairdín seo. Os comhair an tí, tá fíar pampas, mioscantach, mionbhuaircnígh agus buaircínigh sínte, fináil oráiste, watsonia, kniphofia, méaracáin dhearga, fraoch agus miontas cait.

Sa ghairdín cún, tá fál neamhfhoirmiúil de rósanna toir agus roinnt crainn suimiúla agus plandaí den chineál luibheach den chuid is mó ina measc, agus is ann atá stíúideo samhraidh Philippa. Dearadh an ghairdín chun nach mbeadh móran le déanamh leis, chun nach mbeadh aon trealamh meicniúil ag teastáil agus chun nach mbeadh obair chrua de dhíth ach anois is anois chun ord agus eagair a choinneáil air.

Léiríonn cuairt ar Na Cluainte an méid is féidir a bhaint amach ar bheagán airgid agus i mbeagán ama, agus is cinnte go spreagfaidh sé daoine eile sa chás céanna díol áilleachta a chruthú.

welcome to the meadows

Since developing a deep love of plants as a child, this garden has been integral to owner, Philippa Bayliss' work as a painter. The concept for this garden came from a garden in Gravesend on a wind swept pebble beach, the Lady and the Unicorn Tapestries, Persian miniatures, Chinese landscape scrolls and Capability Brown's integration of garden and landscape. In front of the house there are plantings of pampas grass, miscanthus, dwarf and prostrate conifers, orange fennel, watsonia, kniphofia, fox gloves, heathers and catmint.

The back garden, which contains Philippa's summer studio, is planted with an informal hedge of shrub roses and some interesting trees interspersed with mostly herbaceous plants, set into gravel. This garden has been designed with low maintenance in mind, needing no mechanical tools and only intermittent hard work to keep it in order.

A visit to The Meadows demonstrates what can be achieved with a small budget and limited time, and will certainly inspire others in a similar situation to create something of beauty.

Tá 19 ní éagsúla garraiodóireachta is díol spéise ar Chonair Gairdíní Cheatharlach. Is conair atá éasca le leanúim fára bhuail comharthaí soilír bóthair agus tugtar tuilleadh fainseáise ar phainéil scéaláiochta ar thailte gach ní is díol spéise. Tá an chéad ní garraiodóireachta eile is díol spéise ar Chonair Gairdíní Cheatharlach ag barr thaobh na láimhe clé os ciomhna leárscaile (thall) agus léirítear gach ní ina diaidh sin ag dul deiseal. Is féidir tú a chur leis an gconair ag aon cheann de na nithe garraiodóireachta agus is féidir í a leanáint i geachtaí den dá theeo. www.carlowgardentrail.com

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