

Arne Maynard

BIOGRAPHY

"Arne Maynard is one of the most talented garden designers working in Britain today. Whether in the city or in the depths of the country, his gardens are a magical combination of architecture and romance, the classic and the contemporary, and relate to their surroundings in subtle ways." **Tricia Guild**



Arne Maynard is an RHS Chelsea Gold medallist and a successful garden designer. After studying architecture, he turned to garden design and now his commissions range from large-scale country gardens to small urban spaces. His architectural background is clear in his work.

Arne has a holistic approach to design and believes that to succeed, a garden must relate and respond to its surrounding landscape, its history and to the buildings within and around its confines, as well as to the needs of its owners. Bold lines and a strong architectural framework are characteristic, and hedges and walls are used to divide the gardens into separate areas and to give year-round presence and a sense of permanence. To counter-balance the formality of these lines, he often creates soft inner plantings of herbaceous flowers and roses that are casual, lush and expansive.

His gardens have appeared in many publications, including *Gardens Illustrated*, *Sunday Telegraph*, *Country Life*, *Homes & Gardens*, *Garden Design Magazine (USA)*, *T Magazine (NY Times)*, and *Vogue USA*.

In 2000 **Arne** won, with Piet Oudolf, the coveted *Best Garden Award* at the *Chelsea Flower Show*, and in 2012 won Gold again, this time for his design of the Laurent-Perrier Bicentenary garden.

He has given a series of sell-out lecture tours at *Lady Salisbury's Hatfield Festival of Gardening*, the *English Gardening School*, *RHS Wisley*, *The Oxford Botanical Garden* and a number of rural garden societies and trusts. In the USA he has lectured at *The Royal Oak Foundation* in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles.

He was commissioned by the *National Trust* to design the garden at *Dyrham Park*, short-listed to design the 9/11 British Memorial Garden in Manhattan and he created a sustainable garden at the Wildfowl and Wetlands Centre in Barnes, London. Recent projects include large scale estates in Italy, USA, Scotland and Devon.

Arne has written two books; *Gardens With Atmosphere* (2001), and *Garden Design Details* (2004).

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