

Autumn: A Time to Rethink Your Garden

As summer draws to a close and gardens begin to slow down, Autumn can feel like a time to put our gardens to bed. At Mimosa Garden Services, we see it differently. Autumn is one of the most interesting times of year, a season for planting, but also for taking a fresh look at what is working and what perhaps isn't anymore.

We regularly visit gardens that were planted five, ten or even twenty years ago. In that time, plants naturally mature, spread and compete for space, and borders that once worked can look overcrowded or tired.

That doesn't necessarily mean starting again. Often, some of the best plants are already



there. Established perennials can be divided, shrubs repositioned or pruned, and combined with new varieties, give a garden a completely different feel.

While regular garden care is still at the heart of Mimosa, we are increasingly focusing on transforming existing gardens, designing new planting schemes and helping homeowners make more of the spaces they already have.

For us, it feels like a natural direction. Plants and horticulture are at the heart of every good garden, and there is something particularly satisfying about taking a space that isn't quite working and helping it become

somewhere its owners genuinely enjoy.

We also consider about how today's gardens will perform in the future. Gardens increasingly need to cope with prolonged dry periods as well as spells of heavy rain. The answer isn't to make gardens boring or completely drought-tolerant, but to choose the right plant for the right place and create planting that can establish and become more resilient over time.

Sometimes a garden doesn't need replacing. It simply needs someone to look at it with fresh eyes.

Perhaps an old border needs rejuvenating, an awkward area needs rethinking, or the whole garden is ready for change. At Mimosa, we work with what is already there, introducing something new where needed, and creating gardens that continue to develop and improve for years to come. ■



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