

Garden Descriptions

320 Forest Grove Piperton, TN 38017

Shannon Hammers: 'The Estate Garden'



This five acre property contains numerous gardens and features. The front garden is highlighted by a large tranquil pond with double fountains surrounded by twelve varieties of hydrangeas and numerous types of azaleas. The terraced side gardens feature flowers and shrubs. At the back of the property is a vegetable and fruit garden protected from deer by a nine-foot fence. The native trees provide shade for fourteen hydrangea varieties and other shrubs. The

sunny, open areas around the pool and entertainment area are filled with colorful perennials and annuals. A garage bay was designed to be used as a greenhouse. Under a shady tree canopy you will find a playground. This garden is designed for all ages and is an enjoyable paradise for the homeowners, their family, and guests.

Note: Parking is one side of the street only. Be prepared for a longer walk to garden entrance.

Experts: Herb Society at this location

9658 Dove Meadow Cv E. Germantown, TN 38139

Linda Reyle: 'The Artist's Garden'



What do art design and garden productivity have in common? A whole lot. Lovingly named Respite Farm, this backyard garden produces vegetables and fruits year-round using raised beds and simple, sustainable production practices. See how you could begin growing even a single vegetable regardless of the size of your abode.

Whatever harvest is not consumed or given away is preserved using canning, dehydrating, and freezing for year-round nutrition. Flowering perennials offer beauty and, more importantly, an attraction for pollinating bees and butterflies.

Inviting you to relax, rocking chairs overlook the water garden where koi swim among the lotus and lilies. Linda has created a special art installation (on display for

the tour) celebrating the production of homegrown food. Worked by one person (Linda), this garden uses economical seed germination, neighborhood leaves for mulch, composting (open bin and vermicomposting), and harvest efficiencies. Come, enjoy, and relax.

Experts: Daffodil Society and University of TN Agriculture Extension Agent (specializing in home vegetable gardens) at this garden

857 Lancelot Circle Collierville, TN 38017

Jan Dickey: 'The Lake Garden'



You will be amazed that this garden is only three years old. Doing much of the work themselves, it has been filled with many of the cherished plants from their previous home. The small lake at the back of the property is a borrowed view that serves as a focal point in the overall design of the garden. To open up the view and to let in some sunlight, 15 trees were removed from the property. Additional sun on the property allows for more flowering plants. Both perennial pollinator plants and tender annuals that Jan typically propagates from cuttings, and starts from seed. Many of these plants were originally gifts from friends and will grow to 8 feet and

last from mid-June to October. A favorite pastime is watching the hummingbirds and butterflies vying for the porterweed, and viewing the sunsets over the water through the trees.

Experts: Irrigation expert at this garden

1717 Shoal Creek Ln Collierville TN 38017

Kelly Grayson: 'The Nature Garden'



What once was a flat, clay-filled, new-build suburban plot is now a certified wildlife habitat and tree sanctuary filled with countless native or nativar plants that support a balanced ecosystem. It is a diverse garden where blooms attract the eye year-round. During the summer, watch the butterflies, bumblebees, and hummingbirds put on daily airshows. Stop for a moment on one of the benches and be rewarded with countless sightings of wildlife while you marvel at the positive impact that even an average-sized suburban yard can have on our world. When you get hungry, vegetables and herbs are fresh for the picking right outside the door through multiple seasons. Relax under the pergola and enjoy the natural-style pool and

waterfall. This is a garden that not only provides beauty, but more importantly, a service to the environment and food for the animals, human or otherwise, who occupy it.

Note: Uneven and raised stepping stones. Be cautious of possible tripping hazards.

Experts: Wild Ones Mid- South Chapter at this garden

9975 Bentwood Creek Dr Collierville, TN 38017

Teresa Devlin: 'The Sloped, Low Maintenance Garden'



Teresa and her husband are a DIY power couple who designed and installed all of the hardscape in this challenging lot. The garden has been divided into distinct zones; slopes, wooded areas of deep shade, hardscaping, lawn and full sun. Drainage issues have been addressed through stone pathways and dry creeks to direct water. Raised beds and container gardens were incorporated to improve soil conditions for a variety of woody and herbaceous perennials. The challenge of finding plants well-suited for slopes, wet areas, and dry shade while still creating a landscape design with visual interest and continuity is addressed through careful plant choices which allow the

garden to become a place for wildlife as more native plants are being incorporated. This garden has evolved into a colorful space that can be enjoyed by everyone. It's a play space for their dog and a relaxing lounge for my family. More importantly, its low-maintenance! Through careful selection and layers of hardy perennials and evergreens, the garden only requires seasonal pruning and occasional weeding.

Experts: Memphis Horticultural Society at this garden

707 New Byhalia Road Collierville, TN 38017

Memphis Area Master Gardeners: The Collierville Victory Garden



The Collierville Victory Garden is a demonstration and education garden. Community members are welcome to visit and learn. You can also get involved by volunteering to get first-hand knowledge through participation. First started in 2008 by Memphis Area Master Gardeners as part of the “Plant A Row for the Hungry” program. It is located on the grounds of the Collierville Christian Church, which also shares their water supply with us. Staffed entirely by volunteers and funded by MAMG, all the produce grown at the garden is donated to the needy in the Memphis area.

The pollinator garden to attract beneficial insects and birds. Fresh flowers are also shared with area assisted living homes. Native and perennial plants are grown to offer at the Master Gardener annual Spring Fling plant sale fundraiser. In addition to growing things, we exist to educate the community on sustainable gardening practices: composting, vermiculture, irrigation techniques, companion planting, and many other aspects of outdoor gardening.

Experts: University of Tennessee Extension - Ask a Master Gardener at this garden