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Environmental Design Consultants - Landscape Planning Guide

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"There are few opportunities in life for you to create spaces that reflect your unique personality and life style. The home environment is sacred ground that can and should provide a refuge of self expression."

*Bob Elam, APLD*



### Landscape Design Checklist

In order to create a personalized landscape design, your input is needed and encouraged. Feel free to include ideas you favor as well as those you do not want in your own landscape. The following is a list of key design points to use as a guide. You, of course, are not limited to these ideas. Please include pictures from magazines and other sources that represent the look you desire in your Homescape.

#### Client Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

#### Project Profile: Please check all concepts or details that best apply to your project.

- New construction                       Remodel
- Need extensive landscape renovations
- Need specific area improvements      List areas \_\_\_\_\_
- Restrictive landscape covenants apply (please provide)
- Urban home site                       Suburban home site                       Rural home site
- Large family                               Small family                               Empty nesters
- Entertain large groups                       Entertain small groups                       Private retreat
- Family allergies exist                       Medical conditions exist                       Have outdoor pets
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Design Theme:** When you think about your project, which of the following best fits the style you want?

- Formal                       Natural                       Contemporary                       Country

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Design Forms:** Which of the following design forms do you typically favor?

- Curving lines                       Straight lines                       Diagonal lines
- Natural lines                       Loose/informal                       Clean/crisp                       Formal/balanced/manicured

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Design Mood:** What overall feel would you prefer for your project?

- Private retreat                       Social/public/interactive                       Open/play/spacious                       Wildlife sanctuary

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Plantings:** Please use the note section to list any additional likes or dislikes.

List plant material desired

List plant material NOT desired

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### **Bloom Colors: What color scheme do you prefer?**

Warm colors – red, yellow, orange, etc.

Cool colors – blue, white, lavender, etc.

Mixed colors

Other \_\_\_\_\_

### **Timing of Color: Are there times of the year you specifically want to see more color?**

Throughout the year

Fall

Winter

Spring

Summer

What is your favorite season \_\_\_\_\_

### **Turf: Please check the description that best describes the turf area you desire.**

Small grassed area

Large grassed area

Play surface

None

Variety of turf preferred \_\_\_\_\_ (Bermuda, Zoysia, Centipede, etc.)

### **Maintenance Desired: Please check the description that best describes your maintenance preference.**

Low

Moderate

Avid gardener

Will use professional maintenance contractor

### **Irrigation: Please check the description that best describes your irrigation preference.**

I have an irrigation system

I need an irrigation system

I will manually water

Water restrictions apply

**Hardscape: Please check elements you want as part of your overall design.**

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Terrace/patio         | <input type="checkbox"/> Driveway/parking      | <input type="checkbox"/> Walkways/paths                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor kitchen       | <input type="checkbox"/> Fireplace/fire pit    | <input type="checkbox"/> Privacy structure               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arbor/shade structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Waterfall/garden pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spa/hot tub           | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool house            | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's play area/game space |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor lighting      | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Dog kennel                      |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Construction Material Preferred for Hardscapes: Check all that apply to your project.**

- |                                    |  |   |
|------------------------------------|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brick     | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone/pavers    | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood      | <input type="checkbox"/> Native stone/boulders | <input type="checkbox"/> Crushed stone      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flagstone | <input type="checkbox"/> Stamped concrete      | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal/wrought iron |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

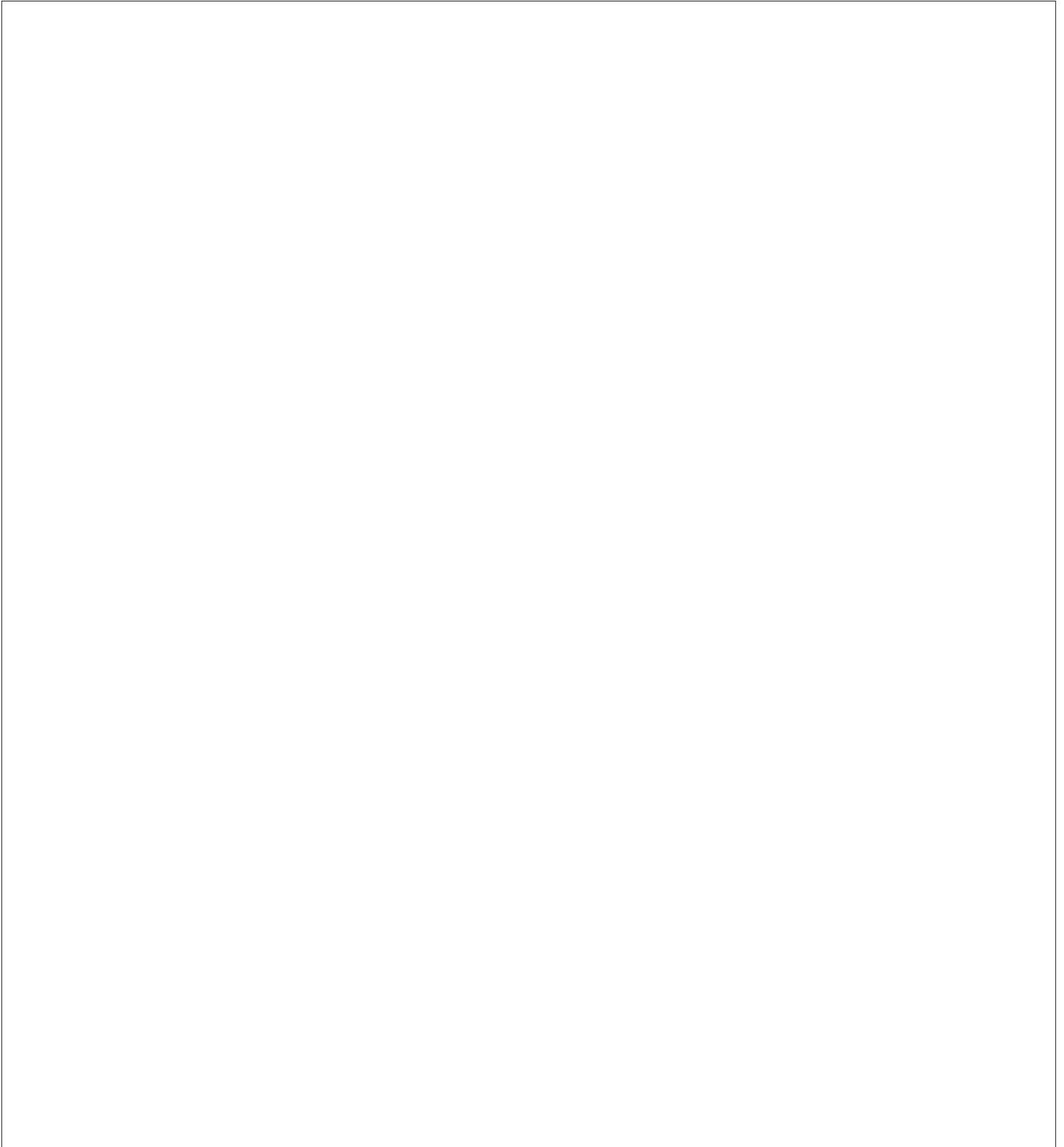
**Installation Process:**

- I will use a professional landscape contractor.
- I will install a portion of the project myself.
- I will install the entire project myself.
- I will complete the project in stages over time.
- I prefer the project to be completed at one time.

Have you established a budget for the complete installation of this project? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

*Please use the following page for additional comments or directions.*

**Notes – Please use this page for any additional notes or comments.**

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for handwritten or typed notes and comments. It occupies the majority of the page's vertical space.

### Your Visual Ideas

On the grid below, draw a rectangle that represents your home on your lot. Roughly indicate with outlines or circles your personal ideas of the general landscape you desire. Don't worry about being exact or even artistic, we just want an idea of your vision.

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A large grid for drawing a landscape plan. The grid is composed of small squares and is intended for the user to draw a rectangle representing their home and other landscape features.

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