

Creating privacy in the garden and on the patio



Are you tired of letting your neighbours spy on your yard to their heart's content? Beyond fences and hedges, there are countless ways to shield your outdoor space from prying eyes. Here are a few to get you inspired.

Natural screens

Take advantage of the natural properties of plants such as sedges and climbers — the latter of which grow incredibly quickly and require little maintenance — to create a vertical garden. Clematis, honeysuckle and climbing roses, for example, will embellish your patio with their colourful flowers, while the dense foliage of vines, lichens and hops will create a magnificent screen of greenery. Walls, fences, lattices, arbours — there are tons of different structures your plants

can climb.

Furthermore, sometimes it only takes one strategically positioned large plant (palm tree, hibiscus, etc.) to create a privacy screen. Something to consider! **Smart arrangements**

Various arrangements can allow you to enjoy your backyard in perfect privacy. Consider awnings: a simple sheet of fabric over your meal area or outdoor living space is enough to block the view of neighbours whose windows have a bird's eye view onto your yard.

Similarly, you could frame your outdoor seating with a wooden structure to create a sort of outdoor alcove. A nice folding screen, some decorative curtains suited for outdoor use or a booth with a very high backrest are all great ways to block outside views.



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