





Take-away plan from the Lloyds TSB garden

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This border is a mixture of traditional and trendy plants for a sunny border. Domed balls of box and dark black foliage of phormiums and ophiopogons are set against a cloud of blue eucalyptus leaves.

Different sized balls of box should be scattered through the border with delphiniums, lupins and grasses rising up dramatically in front of them.

Plants used

- *Eucalyptus gunnii* x 3:

Planted in a staggered row to create a backdrop. Prune these hard every year to promote growth of new, rounded leaves.

- *Buxus sempervirens* x 7:

Choose balls of decreasing sizes, with the largest being around 90cm across and scatter them through the border.

- *Delphinium* x 9:

Blue-flowering varieties.

- *Lupinus* x 9:

White-flowering varieties.

- *Campanula* x 12:

Choose a mix of white and blue flowering varieties.

- *Miscanthus variegata* x 1:

Spectacular variegated grass, with bold ivory and green stripes.

- *Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens'* x 12:

Low-growing, ground-covering, grassy plant, ideal for year-round interest.