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Open Gardens South Australia

Welcomes you to

LUCY'S GARDEN

Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th March, 2023

Dowie Designs were first approached by Lucy to create a landscaped area in her back yard. To begin with it was an open sloped area with not much on it at all. There were no defined levels or areas to sit and enjoy, it was a blank canvas... the landscapers dream.

Lucy wanted a central entertaining area, a fire pit area and somewhere she could put things to compost. She also wanted to block out the view of surrounding houses as much as she could with plantings. With this initial direction from Lucy we got started with a design. We believe gardens should be full of interest, functional and have separation within them to create a cosy and inviting feeling.

With a design in place we got to work, starting with excavation to create different levels within the garden. Forming the different levels created interest and brought definition between the spaces. Next all the hardscaping (paving, retaining walls, timber screening and stonework) took place. We chose materials that would tie in well together and sit well within the garden around them. For the planting we went for a native/ Mediterranean feel, selecting plants that we knew would suit the environment and grow to create a beautiful garden to sit amongst and enjoy. We added lighting into the garden to give opportunity for the space to be enjoyed in the evenings too.

Since completing the rear garden in November 2019 we have visited a couple times a year for maintenance days, ensuring the garden matures as we intended. In October 2022 we gave the front garden a quick redo. Most of what was there we kept, only adding better definition to the paths whilst keeping it a produce focused area.

We hope you enjoy the space we have created in Lucy's garden. If you have any questions about it and are unable to have them answered on the day please reach out to us at Dowie Designs, we would be happy to answer any questions you may have about the garden.

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