



Landscape Design + Consultation

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Landscape Design Client Questionnaire:

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ **Work phone:** _____ **Cell phone:** _____

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What is your preferred way to be contacted? _____

The following questions are designed to give me an overall idea of what your likes and dislikes are, and what kinds of things you might like to see in your new landscaping.

I. General Information:

- 1.) Please list **family members** and **hobbies** which might influence property use
- 2.) Are there any **allergies** or other **medical conditions** to be considered?
- 3.) Do you have any **pets** that might require a special area or run?
- 4.) Do you want or need a **fence**? Are there any specific height restrictions or covenants?
- 5.) **Entryway:**
 - Would you like it open, or more enclosed and private?
 - What type of walkway? Is it wide enough (welcoming?)
- 6.) **Driveway:**
 - Is it wide enough/too wide for your needs?
 - Do you need parking for guests?
- 7.) **Utility Area:**
 - Where will you place your garbage cans?
 - Do you need room for a compost pile? Woodpile? Storage shed?
 - Any future outbuildings?
- 8.) **Children’s Play Area:** needed? If so, how big?

9.) **Entertaining/ Outdoor Living:**

- Do you entertain large crowds? Small? Informal? Formal?
- Would you like (more) decking or a large patio?
- Permanent outdoor seating? In sun or shade?
- Do you want any special areas such as a swimming pool, hot tub, outdoor cooking area, fire pit, or sport court?
- Outdoor lighting?

10.) **Maintenance:** Do you enjoy working on your property? Do you want:

- Especially low maintenance? An irrigation system?
- Lawn mostly? No lawn? Graveled or paved areas?
- High maintenance areas such as flowerbeds, roses, vegetables?

11.) Do you have **specific plant preferences and colors**? Plants/colors to **avoid**? Are deer a problem in your area?

12.) **Circulation:** Are there areas where a path might be needed? Traffic-tolerant surfaces?

13.) Do you want any of the following **decorative features or accessories**?

- Large boulders/ garden sculpture/ bird attractors/ gazebo/ arbor/ pergola/ pond/ waterfall/ other water feature/ garden furniture?

II. Site Information—(provide site map and plans if available)

1.) Approximate **size** of property?

2.) Site **character:** Wooded? Open meadow? Urban lot? Small suburban lot? Steep?

3.) Considering your lifestyle, what **feeling or mood** do you want to establish in your outdoor environment? (casual, formal, contemplative, restful, active?)

4.) What type of **style** appeals to you and your family? Do you prefer a formal look? Informal? Asian? English Country? Pacific Northwest Natural? Does this tie in with the **architectural style** of the house?

5.) Are there any natural features on the property that you would like to emphasize, such as views, woods, streams, boulders, etc.?

6.) Are there any **privacy** concerns or features you would like to de-emphasize, such as unwanted views, noise problems, streetlights? Do you need screening from outside views or neighboring yards?

7.) Are there any problems related to **elevation**, such as drainage, prevailing winds, etc.?

8.) Do you have any **hidden or out-of-sight problems**, such as underground storage tanks, septic systems, tree roots, utilities, or buried refuse?

9.) In your opinion, do any existing trees or plants need to be **removed or relocated**?

10.) Are there any areas of **micro-climate** that should be addressed, such as total shade, hot sun, windy, boggy areas, etc.?

11.) Are there any CC&R's that affect your property and its landscaping? Easements?

A few other ideas to think about:

- What areas on your property do you like the best? The least?
- What time frame do you have in mind for the project?
- Do you have a budget in mind?
- Do you plan on doing the work yourself or hiring outside help?
- Do you have a copy of a plot map from your builder, realtor, or county that gives specific property dimensions and the house footprint?

Thank you for your input! Please feel free to add any other information that you think would be helpful in planning your design, the more the better.

Photos or clippings of ideas that you like are always welcome!



When completed, you may mail your questionnaire to me (or you may fill it out from the website and e-mail it to me at contact@visionscapenorthwest.com).

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Other questions/comments, feel free to contact me at 503-531-3947