

INITIAL CONSULTATION LANDSCAPE DESIGN CHECKLIST



1. DEFINE YOUR GOALS

- **What do you want to achieve with your landscape?**

Consider whether you want a space for entertaining, gardening, play areas for children or pets, or simply aesthetic improvements.

- **Identify any specific problems you want to solve.**

Such as drainage issues, lack of privacy, or poor plant health.

2. ASSESS YOUR CURRENT SPACE

- **Spend time in your outdoor area.**

Take note of what works and what doesn't.

- **Make a list of features you love and those you dislike.**

This could include existing plants, hardscapes, or layout issues.

3. GATHER INSPIRATION

- **Collect photos and examples of gardens you like.**

Please note specific elements from these inspirations that appeal to you. This could be colors, materials, plant types, or layouts.

4. PREPARE RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

- **Please be sure to have your property survey or plot plan ready.**

This will help the designer understand property lines and existing structures.

5. ESTABLISH A BUDGET

- **Determine a budget range for your project.**

Be honest about what you can afford; this will help the designer tailor their suggestions accordingly.

6. IDENTIFY USERS OF THE SPACE

- **Consider who will use the space most often:** Family members, pets, guests?
- **Think about special needs:** Are there young children or elderly family members who require accessibility considerations?