

Small Town Gardens
Friday BBC2

Cool jewel

How do you introduce a flavour of North Africa into a small town garden in Leeds? Key to the transformation unveiled in this week's *Small Town Gardens* is an octagonal sunken seating area, expertly lined with Moroccan tiles. Presenter Joe Swift says the colour of the tiles was crucial. "Very strong colours don't always work in our soft light, so the patterns on the ones that were used are subtle terracotta, brown, greens and so on." But what else should the aspiring designer with an eye for the exotic be thinking about? Swift offers these few handy tips.

- **Geometry** Islamic art is based on geometry, so the layout of the garden should be geometric and symmetrical.
- **Planting** Choose plants that look Moroccan, lush and exotic, but are tough enough to withstand the UK climate, such as standard Photinias and the hardy palm, *Trachycarpus fortunei*.
- **Finishing touches** Artefacts such as ornate wrought-iron window grilles fixed on plain walls add the final touch.

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The colourful Photinia brings a bit of North

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6.00 The Simpsons

PM *All Singing, All Dancing*. The family recall their many musical moments from previous seasons. (R) (S) 709868
Fancy The Simpsons theme on your phone? Visit www.radiotimes.com

6.20 The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air

Striptease for Two. Will and Carlton decide to perform as male strippers at a party. (R) (S) 703684

6.45 Robot Wars: the Fifth Wars

The tenth heat of machine carnage features Kat III, Monad and Barberous, plus series two champion Panic Attack. With Craig Charles and Phillipa Forrester.
Director Stuart MacDonald; Series producer Bill Hobbins (R) (S) (W) 964684

7.30 The Good Life

Home Sweet Home. When a boar-walker pays them a visit, he recommends that Tom and Barbara move to a larger smallholding for the good of their pig.
Written by... (R) (S) 619

8.00 Small Town Gardens

In the second of the series, Britain's top designers restyle some of the nation's smallest urban gardens. Leeds. Presenter Joe Swift and design duo Judith Wise and Juliet McKelvey are in Yorkshire to bring Islamic art and a Moroccan influence to a courtyard garden.
Director/Producer Paul Vanezis www.bbc.co.uk/gardening (S) (W) 8619
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8.30 Gardeners' World

With autumn approaching, Alan Taittonmarsh has advice on which plants to spruce up and which to leave alone. Plus, Rachel de Thame and Joe Swift plant bulbs to bring some spring colour, and Piet Oudolf is at Pensthorpe Waterfowl Park in Norfolk to learn about the planting of perennials.
Executive producer Tony Laryoc; Series producer Colette Foster (S) (W) 4226
BBC MAGAZINES: *Gardeners' World*, £2.60; *Gardens Illustrated*, £3.50
BBC BOOK: *Grow Your Own Cut Flowers*, £18.99

9.00 Reputations

CHOOSE *Prince Albert*. The latest in the documentary series asks if Queen Victoria's husband was in reality a manipulative husband, authoritarian father and ambitious politician.
Producer Kate Townsend; Series editor Jenny Abbot (S) (W) 425232

9.50 Witness

A double bill of the series in which people recount their personal experiences of major historical events.
Series producer Tom Ware (S) 469665

10.00 Have I Got Old News for You

Angus Deayton, Ian Hislop and Paul Merton are joined by comedian Shazia Mirza and Boris Johnson MP.
Director Paul Wheeler; Producer Nick Martin (R) (S) (W) 30961

10.30 Newsnight

With Kirsty Wark. (S) (W) 43481

11.00 Newsnight Review

Presenter Mark Lawson discusses the week's cultural highlights with guests including Tim Lott and Bonnie Greer.
Producer Tanya Hudson Repeated next Sunday on BBC4 (S) (W) 520752

11.35 Liar

Shown Monday at 9.30pm (S) (W) 736936

12.05 Buffy the Vampire Slayer

AM Shown yesterday at 6.45pm (R) (S) 6835998

12.50-2.45 AM Immortal Beloved ****

Historical biography. When Ludwig van Beethoven dies, the composer's faithful secretary begins to investigate the identity of the "immortal beloved" to whom he has left his estate. Widescreen. **Review page 59.**

Ludwig van Beethoven Gary Oldman Joanna van Beethoven
Anton Schindler Jeroen Krabbé Johanna Ter Steege
Countess Anna Maria Endody Karl van Beethoven
Isabella Rossellini Marco Hofschneider
Director Bernard Rose (1994, 15) (S) (W) 247004

3.00-5.00 AM BBC Learning Zone

Repeats are not indicated.