

# PORK CHOP GARDEN

BERKELEY, CA



## ***Project Description***

This small garden is situated between a large Victorian house and a Craftsmen bungalow in the garden community of Berkeley. The property owners reside in the rear bungalow house, and desired a garden that would be for their private use. The gently sloping site suggested a slightly raised deck as a means to create some usable level space. The concept for the deck was to create a “rug”, by contrasting the materiality and pattern of the wood with the fluidity of the concrete perimeter. The form and orientation of the deck was developed as a response to the very large redwood tree that dominates the space, and to allow for wide planting areas. The lush planting of tropical and primitive plants reinforces the playful shapes, and creates a context that integrates the redwood tree.

The tiny rear patio is efficiently designed as a hot tub garden and kitchen garden. The fence trellis will eventually be covered with creeping fig, and the cobble patio is surrounded with herbs and lemon espalier to give the garden a rich sense of texture, smell and utility.

## ***Client***

Private



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