

Western Red Cedar garden wins RHS Silver Gilt medal

Western Red Cedar is still the firm crowd favourite, particularly when it comes to gardens. Whether it's to provide richly coloured decking or to give a new twist on the traditional garden fence, this versatile material is often the first thing garden enthusiasts think of.

The colour variations in the Western Red Cedar slatted screens provided a perfect fit for the garden Josh Chapman designed for the RHS Flower Show Tatton Park and the aesthetic he was looking to achieve.

The slatted screens were used to build a partially enclosed shelter at the end of the garden, providing an inviting place to relax in the shade and take in the scent of the cedar, a perfect place to sip an ice cold drink in the summer. Western Red Cedar was chosen for this design as the warm tones of the timber complimented the copper cladding used in the water features and turf seats.



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Josh credits growing up in the Yorkshire Dales with instilling him with a love of nature which then developed into enthusiasm for plants and design, and this is prevalent in this show garden favouring flowering borders over a large lawn.

It's no surprise that the interesting use of slatted screens and copper cladding, combined with the complementing purple and burnt orange planting scheme won this garden the Silver Gilt medal at the 2015 RHS Flower Show Tatton Park.

Feedback on the garden was overwhelmingly positive, visitors loved the relaxed feel of the space. The relationship between the materials including the cedar and the planting drew particular comment. The shelter is going to be rebuilt in the New Year in a client's garden in Harrogate.

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