

THE PRINCESS AND THE ROSE GARDEN

WARWICK RD, PASCOE VALE

FRONT GARDEN DESIGN BY COMMUNITREE

CLIENT DESIGN BRIEF AND DESIGN RESPONSE

The Client brief was to incorporate plants they had grown from cuttings from their previous property; a Silver Princess Gum Tree and a dark pink coloured Rose - both beautiful feature plants. They also wanted to use rocks that were unearthed during construction of their house.

Other points of the brief:

Incorporate a pale pink Rose given as a gift, plus a 'Just Joey' apricot Rose

Use mostly native plants, but also a citrus tree and herbs

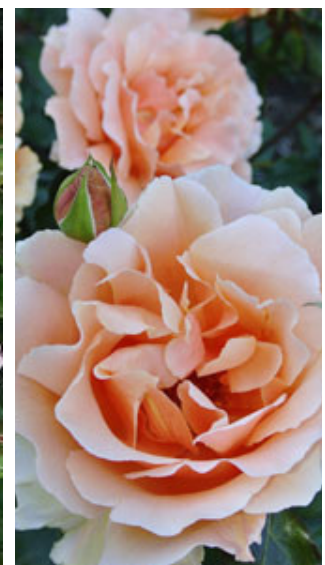
Remove/re-use damaged soil and debris from site

Materials and plant colour palette to compliment new house (painted dark blue and white, with orange-toned brick)

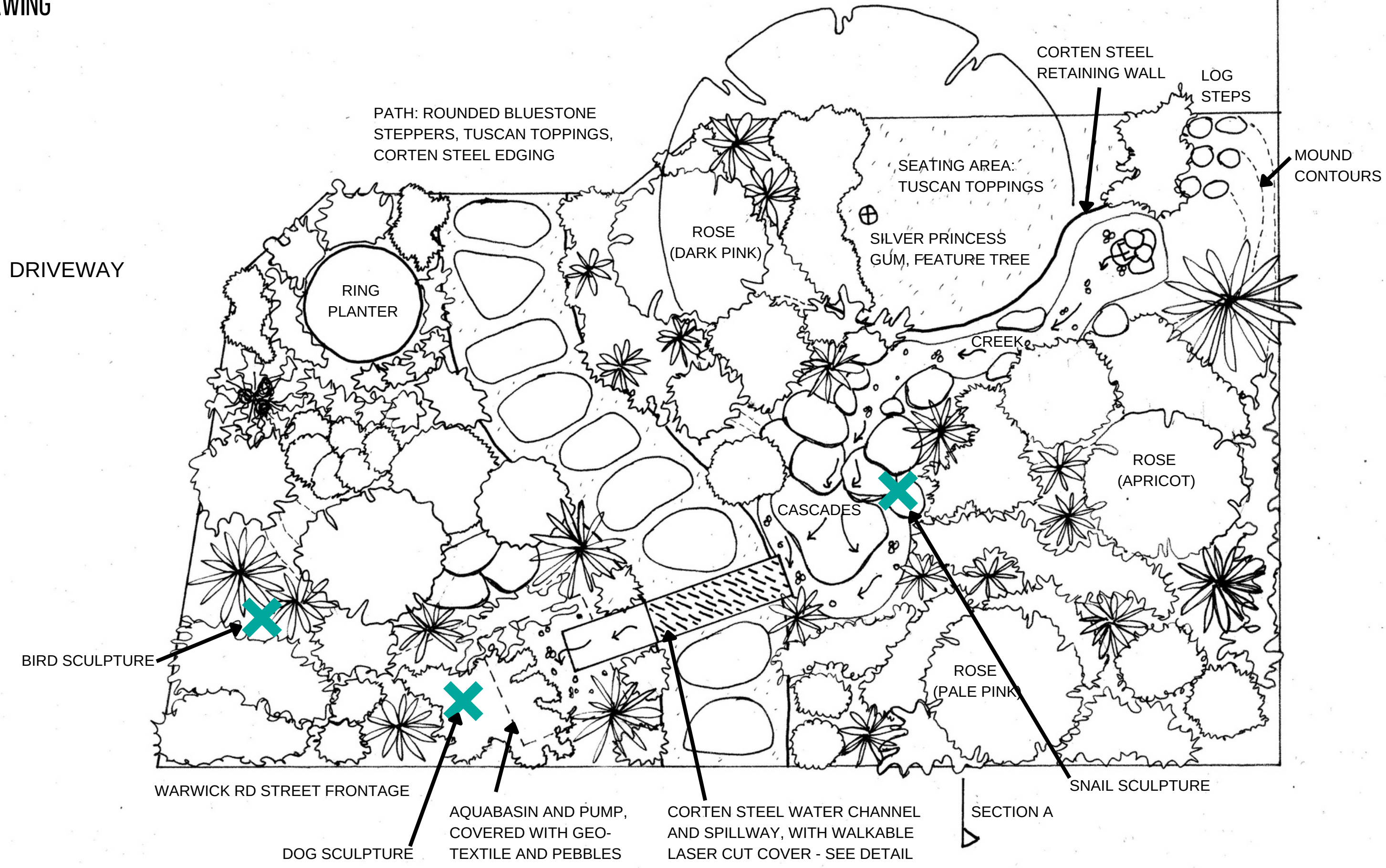
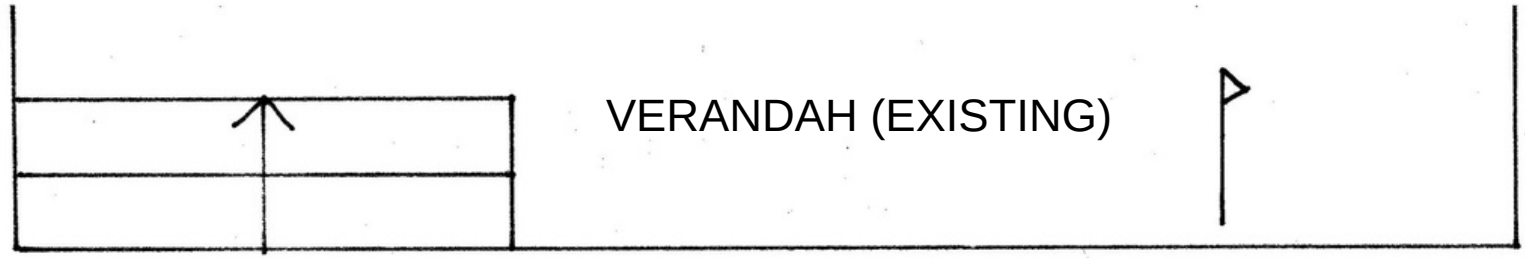
Incorporate clients' quirky animal sculptures - a dog, bird and snail

I like to tap into my clients memories of gardens from early life. One client's parents' garden featured mounds made from excavated soil from building works, which in the long term created privacy for the house and a beautiful feature. The other client's parents' garden was very productive, with loads of fruit and vegetables.

To meet the clients' brief I designed two mounds, which use the damaged soil and debris and also the rocks. The larger of the two mounds features a creek which cascades down over the rocks, flows under a corten steel laser cut grill which cuts through the bluestone path, and out of a spillway, before the water is collected in a sump and pumped back to the start of the creek at the top of the mound. There's also a seating area under the feature 'Silver Princess' Gum Tree, enclosed by a low corten steel retaining wall. The planting is a mix of natives and exotics, including the client's roses and has an edibles area for a lemon tree and herbs. The clients have young children, so the garden is made for them to explore and enjoy as well. My clients are super happy with the final design and looking forward to construction starting soon!



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 SECTION, ELEVATION & DETAIL DRAWINGS

