

2073 Braeburn Cir.: Sylvester Cemetery

It's hard to believe this lovely, peaceful space filled with old oaks, pines and magnolias, plus hundreds of azaleas in bloom for the tour, was once a crime-ridden dump site overgrown by invasive vines. The cemetery has been restored by a devoted group of volunteers, who continue to maintain the existing gardens and plant more shrubs and perennials.

The cemetery dates to the 1860s and is the final resting place of more than 1,400 people. They include Confederate soldiers and country music pioneer Fiddlin' John Carson, but the cemetery's East Atlanta neighbors may be more likely to recognize names like Marbut and McWilliams. The East Atlanta Strut is happy to help visitors discover or rediscover this space, and we urge you to support the Historic Sylvester Cemetery Foundaiton.





1641 Flat Shoals Road: Backyard oasis

The back garden is the main attraction in this landscape. When the homeowners arrived in 2018, there was only the big tree in the backyard.

Now it's full of raised beds and specimen plants. If you'll forgive the patch of dead grass, you'll be allowed to pet the very cute dog who killed it.





915 Winfield Ave.: Test of Time

This gardener has been working on her traditional landscape for many years and is thrilled to share it with visitors.





1379 Orange Blossom Terrace:

Cozy, tasty and lovely This homeowner has been transforming her backyard into what her friends call a "fairy garden." She's designed a haven for birds, butterflies and bees, with plenty of seating for humans, too. One highlight is the wrought iron gazebo surrounded by grape vines and wisteria, which grow up the sides and create a cozy cave-like environment.

This is a drought-tolerant, chemical and pesticide free garden, which makes the strawberries and blueberries in season now the perfect garden snack.





1341 Sargent Ave: A Fresh Start

This garden offers a unique story of resilience and a commitment to sustainable urban gardening. Begun in 2016, the garden faced a significant setback in 2021 when an oak tree fell on the home, requiring a fresh start in 2023 when the owners moved back in.

This restart was an opportunity to create a lush, sustainable oasis featuring native plants, fruit trees, havens for pollinators, water-diverting dry creeks, and a productive food garden with a water-saving, automated irrigation system. It is now a space enjoyed by family and friends and, of course, their dogs and children. The thriving result of two years of dedicated effort, now enhanced by chickens, showcases a fun, fresh start journey and a beautiful example of sustainable urban living right here in EAV.





I 396 Sargent Ave.: A Garden Art Exhibition

Cynthia Farnell Projects (CFP) is an art gallery focusing on outdoor and indoor sculpture and works on paper. The aim of this gardengallery is to combine sustainable landscaping with art to create a culturally enriching and welcoming environment.

The gallery encompasses the home's garden with flat files and additional display areas inside a circa 1930s cottage. The CFP program features two focused group exhibitions a year. The spring exhibition, "Equinox Spring 2025," is on display for this tour.





2105 Cloverdale: Sharing the green

Neighborhood walkers know this garden because of the "Take a plant, leave a plant" spot in the front yard. This gardener loves sharing her passion for gardening and sharing her plants.

This home features a large vegetable garden. The homeowner is filling the rest of the landscape with native perennials and ornamental plants.





792 Gresham Ave.: A Family Garden

These gardeners have taken a yard that had almost nothing and made it into an inviting garden that offers year-round interest.

It features lots of things to eat, a pond, some awesome trees, and lots of fun for all ages.





1447 Newton: Living a Wildlife

Last year's overall winner! This cottage garden provides a welcoming environment for visitors of all species.

Look among the collection of perennial plants and shrubs and you'll find pollinators and other creatures. Because of that, this garden has been named a certified wildlife habitat by the National Wildlife Federation.





1430 May Ave.: A Sunny Accident

If you've been on the tour before, this garden may look familiar. But things have changed at Bluebird Cottage.

Two big trees have come down, which means there have been some major changes to both the front and back gardens!





1442 Metropolitan Ave.: Rooms to grow

The front garden is divided into three distinct "rooms," each with its own character. The first is a Japanese-inspired garden, featuring a Coral Bark Japanese Maple tree, a bamboo fountain, and a rock garden. Next, the cottage garden offers a pollinator-friendly habitat, filled with native Georgia plants chosen for their beauty and ecological benefit. Finally, the edible garden blends utility with intention. While many of the plantings are still maturing, we hope you catch a glimpse of the vision and the joy we find in tending this evolving space.





1513 Glenwood: A Cascade of Blooms

The front yard garden at this home came with a sunny slope perfect for colorful annuals and perennials.

Yogardener helped guide, install, and plan the garden, and the homeowners took over maintenance after Covid., and it has become the family's safe place.



















