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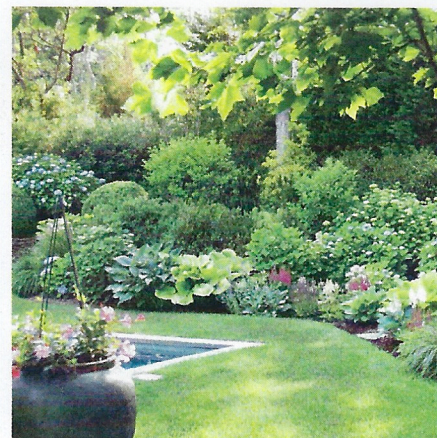
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STRIKE A POSY From left: The vibrancy of Frederico Azevedo's perennials fills the grounds with warmth and color; a poolside garden makes a morning swim that much more relaxing.

IN LIVING COLOR

Landscape architect **Frederico Azevedo's** modernist sensibility and love of vibrant hues were inspired by his childhood in Brazil. Here, the CEO of **Unlimited Earth Care**—and designer of gardens for clients like art dealer Jeffrey Loria and radio personality Joan Hamburg—explains how to create environments that are spectacular and sustainable.

I grew up in the late '60s and the '70s, when modernism in Brazil was happening. People were using masses of flowers and organic contours, which really influenced my designs. My first garden when I was a child was a vegetable garden. I loved seeing the seeds grow into flowers, the flowers become fruit and the fruit turn back to seeds—the whole cycle of plants fascinated me.

People in the Hamptons have a great appreciation of design, art and style—it's a very cosmopolitan culture. It pushes me to update my designs all the time—to know not only what is happening now but also what is happening next.

Sometimes, my clients see new places in their travels that they want me to recreate. My challenge is to make those ideas a reality that can be executed in the local environment, and to create landscaping that will inspire and satisfy them through the years.

You always need to have a plan when you design a garden, even if you're not able to complete it all at once. A plan will keep the landscape consistent and ensure that everything will naturally blend. One of the reasons gardens are beautiful is the repetition of the elements and how they flow together. It all adds up to make the landscaping more beautiful. unlimitedearthcare.com

AZEVEDO'S GARDEN GUIDELINES

- I always recommend that people work with native plants so they adapt to the soil we have in the Hamptons. We have three different kinds of environments here—sand at the waterfront properties, farms with fields, and woods. Native plants will adapt to one of these three environments and use less water and less fertilizer. It's a way to be sustainable and beautify the landscaping at the same time.
- Always accessorize your garden with pots and planters containing a variety of colorful flowers that will bloom the whole season. The movement and the color will break up the hardness of a building, a house or a pool cabana area, as well as accent a patio or deck.
- The biggest mistake I see people making is trying to create small sitting areas far away from the house. No one ends up going there, and you have these eyesores out in the distance. As much as possible, you want to unify patios and terraces closer to the house together with the swimming pool, where people really spend their time.