## A Private Residence

Bernardsville, New Jersey





This award-winning design prepared by Davies Associates Landscape Architects began with a simple program addressing drainage and planting issues, and evolved over time to incorporate a variety of components, including gardens, a garden house, patios, a future swimming pool and pool house, and a pergola. Drainage problems in the rear yard were addressed by terracing the sloping yard with fieldstone retaining walls and regrading areas adjacent to the house. Fieldstone stairways leading through these walls provide and encourage circulation throughout the gardens, while the walls provide a perfect backdrop for the perennial borders. A generous bluestone patio adjacent to the house and an upper patio complete with a grill and a long wisteria-covered pergola provide the clients with varied areas for entertaining. The pergola also provides a dramatic backdrop to the garden below and delineates the transition between the gardens and the woodland.

This garden won an Honor Award from the New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. The firm also won a national Golden Trowel Award for the design from Garden Design Magazine.



