

Home & Garden in and around the home

Japandi Style

With Spring now upon us it is the perfect time to refresh your homes in preparation for long days of summer ahead and with this in mind I am going to introduce you to a new style that is rather delicious. Have you heard of Japandi Style? If you haven't you are

in for a treat as this gorgeous interior style is making a big impact. I personally love the Japandi style as it offers the clean minimal lines of Scandinavian style while bringing warmth and coziness through with the Japanese style. (Pic attached) Japandi style is simple, functional, and effective. It embraces craftsmanship and tradition while using raw materials and simple natural elements. Japandi brings a calm and serene approach to life.

Japandi builds on the Japanese expression "Wabi-Sabi" which is about finding beauty in the incomplete and imperfect. Wabi-Sabi is a Japanese Philosophy that has existed since the fifteenth century. Wabi-Sabi is about finding the beauty of the imperfect and connecting with the earth. It is about enjoying and appreciating the simply joys of life. Scandinavian style interiors lean towards being very neutral in their palates and this is where the Japanese colour palate provides the warmth and presence to create Japandi Style. If you are interested in using Japandi Style in your home but are unsure where to start then give us a call and we

can help you create a beautiful Japandi styled home. We can supply you with rugs, furniture, ceramics, lighting and soft furnishings to create a perfect interior. Have a wonderful month everyone. Rach and Bex

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Spring is in the Air

Spring is one of the most important seasons for tree care. Spending time now on seasonal maintenance will ensure your trees are healthy and strong for the upcoming growing season where they are most active.

It's a debate that happens every year, but personally, I think spring really starts to kick in at the equinox, this year falling on Sunday, 23rd September. This is when most trees start to put their leaf on, which in turn



starts changing the skyline through to next Autumn, when the cycle begins again.

I find we have an influx of calls for pruning and general tree work simply because the garden is far more welcoming as the day light hours become longer.

This draws people from inside the house outdoors and into their gardens.

Not only is spring a great time to look after your existing trees, but it is also the perfect time to be planting new ones. To do this, we are often called in to remove an unwanted tree, or a tree that has outgrown its surroundings. When planting, take the time to consider what tree you will plant in an area to avoid size or space issues in the future.

Although the best time of year for pruning is when the tree is dormant, now is a good time to be removing dead, damaged or broken branches as it will help encourage new growth.

Spring is when garden enthusiasts start mulching and generally tidying their gardens to make the most of summer, especially socialising with family and friends outdoors. Mulching is great for moisture retention, temperature moderation and inhibiting weed growth to name a few. We will delve further into this in future articles.

It is also a great time for a new garden project to start taking shape.



One of my favourite types of trees at the moment is a port wine magnolia which has an incredible fragrance. I'm going to plant some of these myself up our driveway. It is always a pleasure at this time of year to work in various gardens and witness the buds breaking out and trees coming to life.

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