

# NEW GROWTH

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“Gardening is about enjoying the smell of things growing in the soil, getting dirty without feeling guilty, and generally taking the time to soak up a little peace and serenity.”

Lindley Karsten



## PRIDE IN YOUR HOME STARTS AT THE PROPERTY LINE

Perhaps you'd like your garden to be, in the words of author H.E. Bates, “a place of secret corners, unexpected deviations and seductive surprises”. Or maybe you prefer something much more straightforward – a simple statement that says, “Welcome to my home.”

Whether your garden is a mirror image of your neighbours' yard or a lively statement made by a previous owner, it may be time for a change – because *your* garden should reflect *your* personality.

And it doesn't need to take hours of backbreaking

work to make it happen because we at Greenlife Garden Care and Landscaping have been transforming the gardens of Ottawa from bland and ordinary to creative spaces for the past six years.

The six experienced and imaginative horticulturalists on our team are ready to take on any job, big or small. With your input, they can turn your outdoor space into a place for entertainment, enjoyment or peaceful relaxation that suits your lifestyle and your budget.

Our process is straightforward. We draw up plans to fit your environment, and our designs allow you to

**Interplanting:** The practice of planting a fast-growing crop between a slower-growing one in order to make the most of your garden space.

### Strange Facts:

We're not sure exactly how long it took someone to count them, but the average garden variety caterpillar has 248 muscles in its head. And a snail can have up to 25,000 teeth.

DOES YOUR PROPERTY NEED TLC  
ALL YEAR ROUND?  
TRUST US TO GROW

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is your personal gardener and property maintenance specialist.  
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envision the finished garden before we even start work. Along with coloured photos of suggested plants, we also provide a complete plant list and a care sheet so there are no unwelcome surprises when we deliver the finished product. If you want a garden that takes little upkeep, that's what we'll give you. If you want to spend all summer getting your hands dirty, we can make sure of that too!

Although we don't do any hard landscaping (driveway or path construction, for example), we can provide ideas and referrals. Our expertise is in soft landscaping, in designing and developing your garden,

and in planting and maintaining the trees, shrubs and flowers that suit your surroundings, show off your lifestyle and meet your budget.

If you're new to gardening, or tired of the routine care of an established garden, a garden makeover can bring a whole new level of interest and enjoyment to your leisure hours. Please check out our website at [www.greenlifelandscaping.ca](http://www.greenlifelandscaping.ca) or call our office directly at 613-692-3047. Our office manager, Tina, will have someone call you back so that we can begin as soon as possible.

### Our Clients Have Their Say

*Dear Sarah,*

**W**e are so delighted with the splendid landscape you did for us. The thought of undertaking this endeavor ourselves was very daunting. You and your crew worked like busy bees and in one day and a half created our little piece of heaven.... We have received many compliments so far and we cannot wait to see the impact over time. Like good wine, it will improve with age!

It was such a pleasure to work with you and your wonderful crew. Your professionalism and efficiency are next to none. We only wished we had more land to have you work your magic. This experience was surely one of the highlights of our summer.

*Anick Maranda & Jean-François Lefrier*

*Sarah,*

**T**hanks so much to you and your team for giving our backyard garden a much-needed "facelift". In just 1 1/2 days you and your crew accomplished what would have taken us all summer. We are now able to spend the summer enjoying our garden, rather than feeling discouraged by work to do. We were also most impressed that you worked with the plants that we already had and thus reduce costs and respect the environment.

You and your staff listened to our needs and designed the garden with an understanding of how we would enjoy it. One of our favourite moments was to have all of you gathered in our kitchen to appreciate the view that we see from inside and to design from that perspective. This is truly respectful of us and reflects your caring and professionalism.

*Diane Gorman and Craig Lee*

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**S**ix years ago, Sarah Johnston and her son Dave formed Greenlife Garden Care and Landscaping in South Ottawa to provide local residents with a personal gardening experience. With two part-time helpers, some basic equipment and a great deal of hard work, they planned, planted and maintained local properties year round ... but the demand for their services has grown so fast that they now hire six trained horticulturists, three additional people to work on maintenance and garden installation and a full-time office manager. Despite the larger staff and the purchase of some heavy duty equipment, Greenlife takes pride in preserving the personal touch and close client relationship that sets them apart from their competitors.

*Services include:*

**Creative Gardening** – We design, install, transform and maintain small or large areas

**Lawn Maintenance** - We handle spring maintenance, summer lawn care, lawn mowing and fall clean up for traditional or organic lawns

**Container Gardening** — We offer container gardens for spring, summer, fall and winter

**Garden Care** – We'll take care of your established garden all season long

*Trust us to grow*

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