

“When we contacted Dave at Award Horticulture to assist us in creating a landscaped garden, Dave’s experience came to the fore.

He asked many questions about what we wanted. This lays the critical foundations to ensure what level of ongoing maintenance we were willing to do, as well as considering our preferred colourings and layout.

Dave understood the soil types and drainage requirements and was able, in a timely manner, to draw up plans for our consultation, where his advice and guidance were very much appreciated.

Dave created us with a wonderful space for our children to grow, in the privacy of verdant hedges, surrounding splashes of colour though crepe myrtle, golden elms and Japanese maples.

Dealing directly with the owner of the business, Dave ensured that no element was too much trouble. Dave created and installed a rain sensing automatic irrigation network to relieve the obligation of watering, whilst considering the direction of the sun and what plants would flourish in each area of our garden.

Dave provided support from design and layout to assist with council requirements, through to purchase and planting of the trees. His service and attention to detail was of great value to me, being time poor and not quite the green thumb I thought I was!

This was our first property which required landscaping and Dave provided all areas of expertise to make the dream a reality.

Over time, Dave also extended his services to include ongoing maintenance to ensure the plants were growing and were cared for as they deserved. Further, Dave was able to supply and build an arbour to provide the finishing touches to our welcoming entrance.

From conception through to the finishing touches, Dave proved to be the ultimate professional in creating our wonder masterpiece.”

Tom S. – French’s Forest, NSW

I have used Award Horticulture for many years. He has provided me with a comprehensive service covering installation of a large water tank and irrigation system at our home, landscaping and maintenance of our rather large garden. Dave Thurston (Award Horticulture) has undertaken major and minor works at our home. Our home has featured in the Mid-Mountains Garden festival to be enjoyed by others. In addition, Dave has installed irrigation in our place of business, and he has provided all the maintenance required for our beautiful garden there. Many people comment on the spectacular roses and neatly trimmed magnificent Murraya screen that resembles an English walled garden. The irrigation system enables me to ensure that the gardens are always watered but that no water is wasted.

I have absolute confidence in Dave Thurston. He is honest and reliable. He anticipates every garden need and I know that at my age when I can no longer do the heavy work, he will already be in the garden doing it for me. He built my chicken coop and large run enabling me to keep chickens which are safe from predators.

I asked him to design my son's garden a few years' ago and gave him the house plans and the site dimensions. As my son lives in Newcastle, Dave prepared this from the plans and photos and emailed the drawings and list of plants to him. My son followed the plans and now has a beautiful garden with the correct plantings for his area and soil.

Dave is extremely knowledgeable in all areas of horticulture, but he has a particular interest in waterwise plants such as unique cacti and succulents. His latest interest is in Beekeeping.

My husband and I have no hesitation in endorsing and recommending Award Horticulture to others for any landscaping and/or maintenance of any type of garden including irrigation needs.”

Elizabeth B. – Linden, NSW