

MOONLIGHT GARDEN

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A moonlight garden is designed to be enjoyed in the evening but is beautiful anytime. It will often include fragrant night blooming plants to attract moths and other nocturnal pollinators. These gardens typically contain white flowering shrubs, perennials, and annuals, plus plants with silvery foliage. Incorporating lighting and/or water features enhances the relaxing effect.

Plants used: Miss Pearl Butterfly Bush, David Garden Phlox, Nemesia- Snow Angel, Liatris - Blazing Star, Salvia- Vista White, Artemisia- Parfum D'Ethiopia, New Guinea Impatiens, African Marigold- White Swan, White Shasta Daisy, Dichondra- Silver Falls, Dusty Miller, White Snapdragons and White Red Eye Geraniums

Inspiration: Sissinghurst Castle gardens in Great Britain, and the trading of Dine en Blanc (hosting dinner in the garden and Sking quests to dress in white).

Results: The white flowers and silver foliage give the desired effect. I feel using fewer varieties of plants would result in a more visually pleasing effect. Plants were selected to provide maximum effect mid-summer for our open house. In a home garden adding earlier and later flowering varieties would be recommended.

Factsheet - [Moonlight Gardens - Gardening Solutions - University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences \(ufl.edu\)](#)

[How to Design a White Flower Garden \(thespruce.com\)](https://thespruce.com/how-to-design-a-white-flower-garden-1182828)