

## **Landscaping, Lawn Service and Tree Work**

**All About Landscaping** - (703) 362-8777. If you are considering any landscaping work, I would highly recommend that you contact "*All About Landscaping*". José Orellana, the proprietor, is a pleasure to work with and has excellent landscaping ideas. Prices are reasonable and you won't be disappointed with the quality of his work. He is licensed and insured. Recommended by Peter Koenig, Banff Street.

**Alvarez Basic Landscaping Services** – (571) 241-1124. After seeing the work they did for our neighbor, we engaged Alvarez Basic Landscaping Services to clear and replant an area on the hillside in back of our house, selecting the plants he recommended. Looks beautiful. You can see it from the park. He also trimmed dead wood from trees and threw in as a freebie a repair on our second story gutter. Reasonable prices and beautiful work. We highly recommend them and are awaiting the start of phase 2, dealing with erosion in our backyard. Paul and Susan Krumhaus, Sugarbush Ct. (August 2022)

**JJ Cottoms**- Tree Work – (540) 399-1309. Recommended by Tom Herrmann, Ordinary Way

**Craig's Lawncare**- (703) 385-1641. We use Craig's Lawncare for mowing. About \$34 per mowing. Lawn looks good after mowing. We haven't elected to pay for extra services such as edging. I highly recommend them for mowing service. We also use them for leaf removal but it gets pricey (\$45/manhour). Result of leaf removal is pristine lot. Paul Krumhaus, Sugarbush Ct. (Dec. 2020)

**Destiny's Tree Service** - (571) 345-5970, removed 2 small trees from our backyard at a reasonable price. They cut the stumps to ground level and cleaned up the debris nicely. Call your neighbor Ron at (703) 323-5222 if you want more about my recommendation

**Diamond Cutters**, Lawn service – (703) 803-6190. Recommended by Tom Herrmann, Ordinary Way.

**Green Landscaping**- (571) 245-3435. Daniel understood what we wanted and developed a simpler plan at a much more reasonable cost that we received from other contractors. When we needed him to return to discuss some changes, he suggested ways to improve our ideas. On the start day, he arrived with his crew when he said he would. Even then we enlarged the scope of work for which he gave us a reasonable price. We're very pleased with the work he did to control the terrible erosion in our back yard. Ron Rothberg on Sugarbush Ct. (moved 6.2020)

**G&V Tree Service** -(703) 569-2570. info@gvtreeservice.com. 6434 Brandon Ave, Suite #204, Springfield, VA 22150. We used G&V to remove a very large silver maple tree (trunk circumference of 15 feet). Their bid was very competitive, although not the lowest, and the contract was well written. They provided insurance information, were very professional, came on time, used the right equipment for the job, used experienced staff, and cleaned up the area nicely. We recommend them highly. Lowell Tonnessen, Fidelity Court.

**Living Color** – (703) 698-0014. Recommended by Tom Herrmann, Ordinary Way.

**Allen Porter** – Landscape services (703) 389-1236. Based on a high rating by Consumer Checkbook, I solicited proposals from 3 local companies to clean up my lawn and yard, prune perennials, and put down a thick layer of mulch in shaded backyard and beds. I decided to have all the work done by a local company at a competitive and fair price. Allen Porter and his crew did a great job that met all my expectations. They were very professional and met all my spring landscaping needs. If you have a need for professional and reliable landscape work, contact Allen Porter at 703-389-1236. Tell him Tom referred you and you will get VIP treatment (which he gives to all customers). Recommended by Tom Herrmann, Ordinary Way (March 2021)

**Simpson & Co. Landscape Designs** - (703) 499-6409 (cell). We'd like to share an excellent experience we've had in getting some drainage work done. The work consisted of installation of a French drain and underground piping connected to several downspouts. Contractor was Steve Simpson of Simpson & Co Landscape Designs. We found him based on the recommendation of another WCWHA homeowner. Pricing was up front and did not increase even when he discovered he had underestimated on materials. Work was done well, looks great and the price was also good. I can't guarantee your experience but ours was excellent. Paul Krumhaus (703) 978-6579

**Update 7.18.2020: I am updating my service recommendation of Steve Simpson Landscaping.** The company was sold some years ago and the new owner is less responsive on bids, and prices have risen significantly. I am no longer recommending. Paul Krumhaus.

**Simpson & Co. Landscape Designs** - Steve Simpson (703-204-0453 - office) has done quite a few jobs in our neighborhood, and several for me, including a brick front walkway and a flagstone patio in the back of our house. His workers are excellent, his prices reasonable and he is easy to work with. Highly recommended. Liz Segall, Sugarbush Ct. (July 2010)  
[www.simpsonandcoinc.com](http://www.simpsonandcoinc.com)

**Solis Company** – Ivan Solis (703-296-8467) and his crew did an impressive job removing 3 large trees, including stump grinding, plus trimming a very large tree branch looming over our family room. His prices were extremely reasonable and his workers were very careful and thorough. Liz Segall, Sugarbush Ct. (Sept. 2009) [www.solistreeservice.com](http://www.solistreeservice.com)

**Virginia Green lawncare company** - (703-775-0330) Our grass has never looked thicker and greener, and they are easy to work with. They are relatively new to the Northern Virginia area, having worked more in the Richmond area. I have used many of the lawncare companies that service NoVa, and this is by far the best. Recommended by Jennifer Gittins-Harfst (Banff St.).

