

# BEST GARDEN DESIGN SOURCE

**Dallas Arboretum Trial Gardens**  
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The myth about Dallas is that you can't garden here because of bad soil and hot weather. The truth is that you *can* garden here, but you have to grow the right stuff—often not what the nurseries are bringing in by the 18-wheeler load and pushing in their ads. The Dallas Arboretum, in partnership with Texas A&M University, has been raising garden plants in test beds for several years now, trying to find out what really can grow in Dallas and what really cannot. The beds themselves and the staff associated with the effort, especially plant guru Jimmy L. Turner, comprise the best resource any serious gardener can hope to find in this region.