



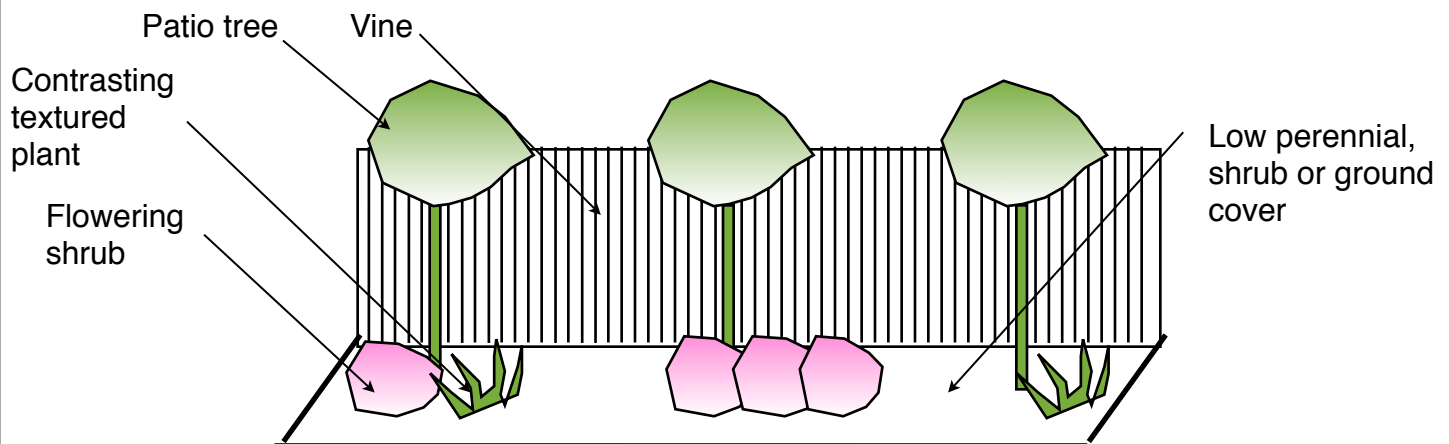
# Outdoor Decorating - For Privacy

## The Problem:

You have a narrow planting area and want to create privacy or separation from a neighbor. You want something more interesting than a row of bushes hedged to about 6 ft tall.

## The Solution:

How about a planting of a patio tree at 8-12' apart with vines on the fence with a few short 2-3 ft flowering shrubs with low plantings in groups to give you four layers of textures, colors and form to create an interesting combination of plants



## Suggestions:

The patio tree could be small Crape Myrtle, or Rose of Sharon for summer color. Evergreen plants would include Compact Strawberry Tree, Pineapple Guava or Photinea. These all are usable in the 8-10 ft. range. Larger trees include Podocarpus gracilior, Bay Tree or compact Carolina Cherry Laurel.

The vine should be chosen to contrast with the patio tree. Good possibilities would be Carolina Jessamine, Lavender Trumpet Vine or Star Jasmine.

The flowering shrub might be a Drift or Flower Carpet rose, low Indian Hawthorn or Compact Gardenia.

Contrasting textured plant possibilities include Scenic Sunrise Morea, dwarf Flax, Emerald Gaiety Euonymus and dwarf Agapanthus.

The low ground cover plantings could include various Cranesbill, dwarf Gardenias, Tapien Verbena, Golden Bidens.