Bog Gardens

Today on Gardening in a Minute: bog gardens.

Bog gardens are unique ecosystems that can host really cool plants. In nature, bogs are areas that have wet soil but typically no standing water.

Bog gardens can take advantage of naturally low, wet spots in your landscape, or you can create one in a container. You can also make a bog garden by lining a shallow hole with a perforated rubber material.

Fill the bog with a mix of sand and peat and locate it in an area that gets at least six hours of direct sunlight.

There are many different plants you can use in your bog garden, including flowering iris, the native swamp hibiscus, and carnivorous plants like pitcher plants, and Venus fly traps.

Plant a bog garden for an unusual visual treat!

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