Accessible Gardens

Today on Gardening in a Minute: accessible gardens.

Accessible gardens are designed to eliminate barriers, allowing people of all ages and abilities to come together to garden.

They can help senior gardeners as well as younger people with limited mobility.

The pathways are wide enough for a wheelchair and often paved or made of crushed stone. Ramps with railings also make it easier for people to get around.

Many accessible gardens use raised beds or even table planters that are supported on legs, allowing people in wheelchairs to easily reach the plants. They also provide plenty of seating and shade canopies to create rest areas.

Try using some of these design strategies in your own garden, and you’ll help ensure that you can enjoy it for years to come!

For more information about accessible gardens and many other gardening topics, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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