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## Creating Privacy in Your Landscape

Today on Gardening in a Minute: creating privacy in your landscape.

If your landscape is exposed to unattractive sights or sounds, try one of these tricks for creating privacy.

An easy solution for decks and patios is to use large, ornamental planters or hanging baskets. They'll add color and also create a visual boundary. Outdoor fabric can be used for colorful screens and curtains.

Hedges will provide good privacy, but they do require regular maintenance. Look for hardy evergreen varieties if you want year-round coverage.

Trees can also serve as screens. Choose evergreens with dense foliage and low branches. Remember it may take several years before they'll be large enough to provide protection.

And of course, you can add a fence to define the boundaries of your property and provide privacy and security for kids and pets.

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