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Living Fences

Today on Gardening in a Minute: living fences.

Living fences are an attractive, long-lived, and low-maintenance alternative to traditional fences.

Try a wall of climbing roses, a hedge of viburnums, or a row of crapemyrtles.

Living fences offer many benefits. They can form a physical or visual barrier, give shade, and act as a wind block. They can also be a great home for birds and other wildlife.

Choose shrubs, trees, or climbing plants that have the form and texture that are pleasing to you.

Make sure you check the potential size of plants so that you know they'll fit in your space. Pruning may be necessary to contain your living fence and keep the shape you want.

Plant a living fence, and you'll be able to enjoy privacy and so much more!

For more information about living fences and many other gardening topics, contact your county extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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