

Greystock Residence

Location: Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania

Client: Private homeowner

Size: 1 acre

Cost: N/A

Status: Construction completed summer 2013

After moving into the elegant and historic Greystock Residence, this family decided the exterior spaces that had been neglected needed to be updated to meet the needs of their active life. Viridian married the very formal Victorian architecture with new serpentine stone walls, elliptical terraces and native plantings. Existing rectilinear terraces were maintained and expanded and now accommodate an outdoor kitchen and dining area. A lower grass terrace works for play or parties and includes a sunny bluestone oval sitting spot. Views across the rolling Chestnut Hill landscape were maintained while the addition of a flowering hedgerow helps to screen the neighboring property. At the base of the hill another small terrace/bandstand is positioned to admire the beautiful house.



Existing patio

Viridian also worked with the homeowner to locate the kids' treehouse, vegetable and rose gardens on the south face of the house, circulation on the steep wooded backyard and updating the front gardens to present a fresh face to visitors and passersby.



Terrace with new railing and serpentine wall



The oval



Stairs to the upper patio