

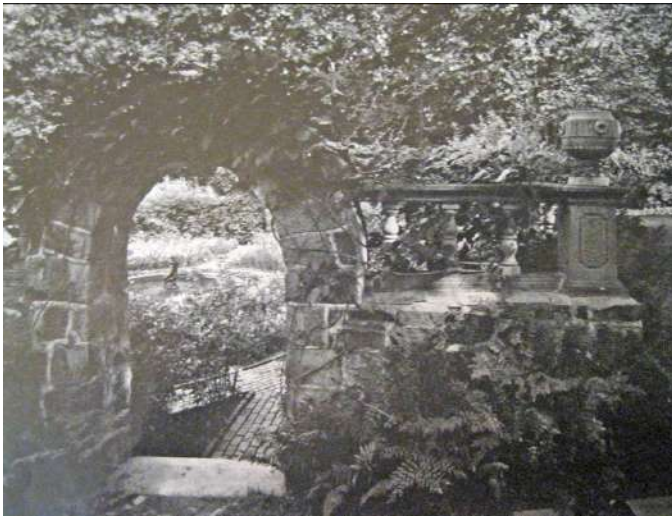


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At College of the Atlantic we believe that humans have the power to heal the world. This wild edible garden is a tangible demonstration of our ideals and values. It includes more than 20 species of native plants that support endangered pollinators and provide habitat to local wildlife.

In addition, most of the plants in the garden have medicinal properties and provide a source of fresh and free local food.





Adaptive Reuse

In 2015, the COA Gardening Club started maintaining and working in the Sunken Garden. The club members weeded the beds, cleaned the paths, and held educational workshops. In the fall of 2017, Isabel Mancinelli's course Landscape Architecture Design Studio stabilized the entrance arch with the help of Alyssa Abbott and Gibran Buell from Creative Stone.



History

The Sunken Garden is located on the foundation of a former summer cottage called "The Moorings." In 1907, the Emery family, who owned Turrets, purchased the Moorings and then razed it. In 1910, they constructed a garden on the Moorings' stone foundation.

The Turrets property changed hands several times over the years, and the Sunken Garden fell into disrepair. In 1980, COA student Claire Verdier revitalized the Sunken Garden as her senior project. She planted most of the ornamental shrubs and flowers that are currently in the garden.

In 2018, Yaniv Korman, a COA student and a member of the Gardening Club, proposed to create a sustainable, low-maintenance garden to educate the local community and provide food for people, birds, and insects. Since the garden is part of a college that values sustainability, education, and accessibility, Yaniv did not restore the Sunken Garden to its historical annual flower garden state. Rather, he created an edible wild garden, while preserving elements of the garden's historic structure and its role as a space in which people can interact with nature.



Enjoy

You are welcome to use the Plant Booklet to learn more about the different plants that grow in the garden. In order to find each plant please use the garden map on the following page. We hope you will enjoy the bounty of nature while respecting the needs of the wildlife and other members of the community who would like to enjoy it after you.



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- 1 Amelanchier alnifolia
- 2 Aronia melanocarpa
- 3 Cornus mas
- 4 Forsythia sp.
- 5 Lonicera caerulea
- 6 Malus sp.
- 7 Philadelphus lewisii
- 8 Prunus maritima
- 9 Rhododendron sp.
- 10 Ribes rubrum
- 11 Rosa glauca
- 12 Sambucus canadensis
- 13 Sorbaria sorbifolia
- 14 Swida alternifolia
- 15 Syringa vulgaris
- 16 Vaccinium corymbosum
- 17 Viburnum trilobum

- 18 Actaea racemosa
- 19 Actinidia arguta
- 20 Althea officinalis
- 21 Astilbe sp.
- 22 Brunnera sp.
- 23 Hydrastis canadensis
- 24 Iris sibirica
- 25 Leucanthemum sp.
- 26 Paeonia suffruticosa
- 27 Rodgersia aesculifolia
- 28 Vaccinium angustifolium

- 29 Adiantum pedatum
- 30 Anemone canadensis
- 31 Anemone hupehensis
- 32 Arctostaphylos uva-ursi
- 33 Asarum canadense
- 34 Dicentra spectabilis sp.
- 35 Digitalis grandiflora
- 36 Echinacea purpurea
- 37 Epimedium grandiflorum
- 38 Fragaria vesca
- 39 Gaultheria procumbens
- 40 Geranium sp.
- 41 Heuchera americana
- 42 Hemerocallis fulva
- 43 Iris versicolor
- 44 Ligularia stenocephala
- 45 Physostegia virginiana
- 46 Rheum palmatum
- 47 Tanacetum vulgare
- 48 Tiarella cordifolia
- 49 Sanguinaria canadensis
- 50 Vaccinium macrocarpon

