

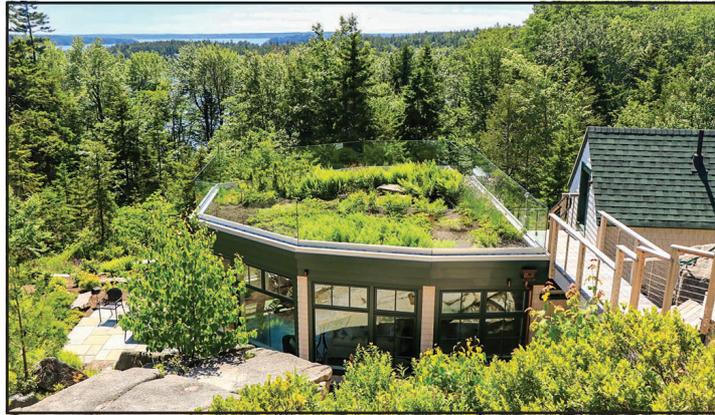
Burdick & Associates Landscape Design

No one should be surprised that Bobbie Burdick, owner of Burdick & Associates in Ellsworth, has been named the 2022 Landscape Designer of the Year by the Association of Professional Landscape Designers.

Burdick and her firm are known for creating one-of-a-kind residential landscapes that beautifully complement both the home and the natural environment.

"A lot of times, clients don't necessarily know what they want or need, so our design challenge is to help them determine what that is and help them realize what they envision for their landscape," she said.

"I will often ask clients how they want a space to feel, not necessarily what hardscape or

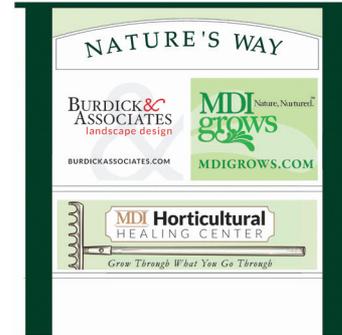


plantings they want, but how they actually want to feel in the space. We can help them think outside the box and create a space that they really do want to live in."

With every landscape design project there is an infinite number of possibilities and choices to be made.

Burdick & Associates is the client's guide through plantings and garden paths, stone walls and terraces, pools and spas.

The project for which Burdick won the Landscape Designer of the Year award was a "granny cottage" in Seal Harbor with an "infinity green roof" — that is, a roof covered with



plants with a view through to the forest and ocean beyond. "We've created a specially formulated soil that is able to sustain our native plants on a roof, rather than relying on the typical succulents that are so commonly used," she said.

A growing part of her business now is shoreline stabilization for erosion control. "That's been picking up in the last several years due to rising tides/

global warming and all the harsh spring storms we've had."

Burdick recently relocated MDI Grows, her landscape service to Nature's Way in the Bar Harbor village of Town Hill. And she is forming a non-profit called MDI Horticultural Healing Center, which will share the MDI Grows facility. "We will be offering Horticultural Therapy there in the gardens and the greenhouse," Burdick said. "We intend to offer this professional practice as a nature-based therapy that uses the cultivation of plants and gardening activities to improve the mental and physical health of those we work with. We intend to support veterans with PTSD, elders, and various other populations. We are super excited to be creating a wellness program for women over 50."

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