CONCEPT

LIST OF PROPOSED SPECIES

In the proposed garden we find the most characteristic elements of traditional formalism: flowerbeds with rigid geometric shapes occupied by ornamental species with abundant blooms and a harmonious colour palette, delimited by topiary box hedges and punctuated by orthogonal gravel paths. The visitor advances in the garden reassured by the clear legibility of the spaces and their rational and geometric organization.

Until ... squeeze!

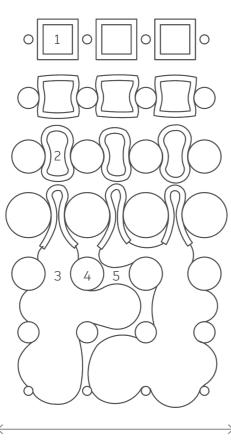
An external force intervenes, progressively deforming the geometries until reaching the breaking point: the formal box hedges open up and are no longer able to contain the exuberant masses of herbaceous species that, having escaped the confines of the formal garden, regain their space and reorganize freely, re-embracing companions that have long been distanced and excluded from the ornamental spaces.

The visitor, who at first found himself in a rigid and controlled setting, now is completely surrounded by a wild prairie that expands uncontrollably, reconquering every available space.

Where is the balance point between formal and informal, control and spontaneity, ornamentalism and naturalism? Isn't gardening a constant search for this precarious point of balance?

LEGEND

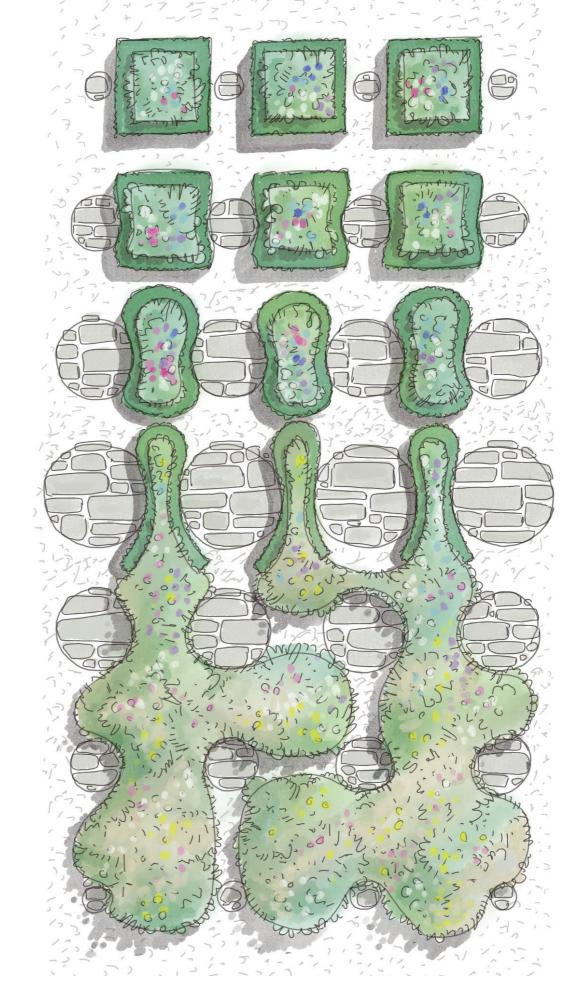
- 1. formal flowerbeds bordered by box hedges and featuring a mix of ornamental flowering species
- 2. flowerbeds progressively deformed by the squeezing action of the circular platforms with stone slabs
- exuberant masses of flowering herbaceous species and grasses that recreate a sort of natural prairie
- circular platforms with stone slabs
- 5. gravel



HEDGES transition Buxus sempervirens GEOMETRIC FLOWERBEDS Alchemilla mollis 'Robustica' Anemone x hybrida 'Honorine Jobert' Aquilegia 'Hensol Harebell' Astrantia major Digitalis purpurea 'Camelot Cream' Echinacea purpurea 'White Swan' Euphorbia x martinii Geranium macrorrhizum 'Spessart' Iris 'Jane Phyllips' Lilium regale TRANSITION AREA

Allium carinatum subsp. Pulchellum Cosmos bipinnatus Dalea purpurea Echinacea pallida Eurybia divaricata Ratibida pinnata Sesleria autumnalis Veronicastrum virginicum

> NATURALISTIC PRAIRIE Agastache foeniculum Coreopsis verticillata Deschampsia flexuosa Geranium maculatum Helianthus decapetalus Koeleria macrantha Liatris spicata Monarda fistulosa Penstemon hirsutus Phlox paniculata Rudbeckia hirta Sporobolus heterolepis



10 m

squeeze



VIEW 1

