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Krider Garden
Maple Leaf Garden

THE GARDEN...

This quilt garden features a diamond pattern of Picobella Blue Petunias that form the basis of the design. Picobella is the best of the "milliflora" petunias, picking up where the Fantasy series leaves off and developing into even more vigorous, well-branched, weather tolerant plants. Another set of diamond insets are filled with New Look Dusty Miller. This oak leaf variety is whiter than others making it an outstanding contrast in the garden. By combining red, yellow and orange dwarf cosmos, the color palette is reminiscent of sugar maples in autumn and gives an appliqué look.

THE INSPIRATION...

The pattern of this garden honors the Sugar Maple, the Middlebury town tree. The Maple Leaf quilt pattern is known by many names and is found in quilt designs in scores of creative ways. Most leaf inspired quilts were pieced, while others were delicately appliquéd. Appliqué samplers consisting of individual blocks in patterns of flowers and leaves were popular during the mid 1800's.

THE FACTS...

- This is a garden within a garden! Krider Garden's heritage dates back to 1934 when parts of the Krider Nursery exhibit at the Chicago World's Fair were brought back to Middlebury as a display garden. The Krider family donated the 2.4-acre park to the town in 1993.

THE FLOWERS...



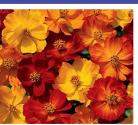
1,824 Picobella Blue Petunias

Known for their distinct sweet fragrance, they attract both hummingbirds and moths.



1,200 New Look Dusty Miller

Growing to approximately 9 inches tall, this variety shows off rounder, more oak-shaped almost white leaves.



816 Cosmos Mix

Easy care, colorful, lacy plants.



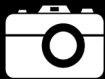
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Did you know? Downtown Middlebury is affectionately known as the "Mayberry" of Northern Indiana Amish Country.



This garden's leafy pattern is best captured from the viewing platform across from the pavilion.

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