

Intermodal

Intermodal reaches back to the history of the garden, and the walled or enclosed garden in particular. Its creative deployment of the intermodal shipping container form makes reference to the nearby Saint Lawrence River (and seaway), and the vital role of this waterway in transportation and commerce in North America. It will invoke themes of migration and mobility. The visitor approaching Intermodal will recognize the container as a ubiquitous form that is normally seen on large vessels, trains and transport trucks. In this project, two stacked containers will be situated in a field of tall ornamental grass or Common Milkweed. Monarch butterflies, indigenous to the region, may visit the field during their migration. Entering through an aperture cut into the steel cladding, the visitor will be transported by the interior space that is transformed by a geometry of mirrored surfaces. Reflecting pools, framing a walkway planted with low groundcover, will form the centre of the garden. Walking through the container's interior, visitors will experience a wondrously trembling, infinite and green enclosed garden.

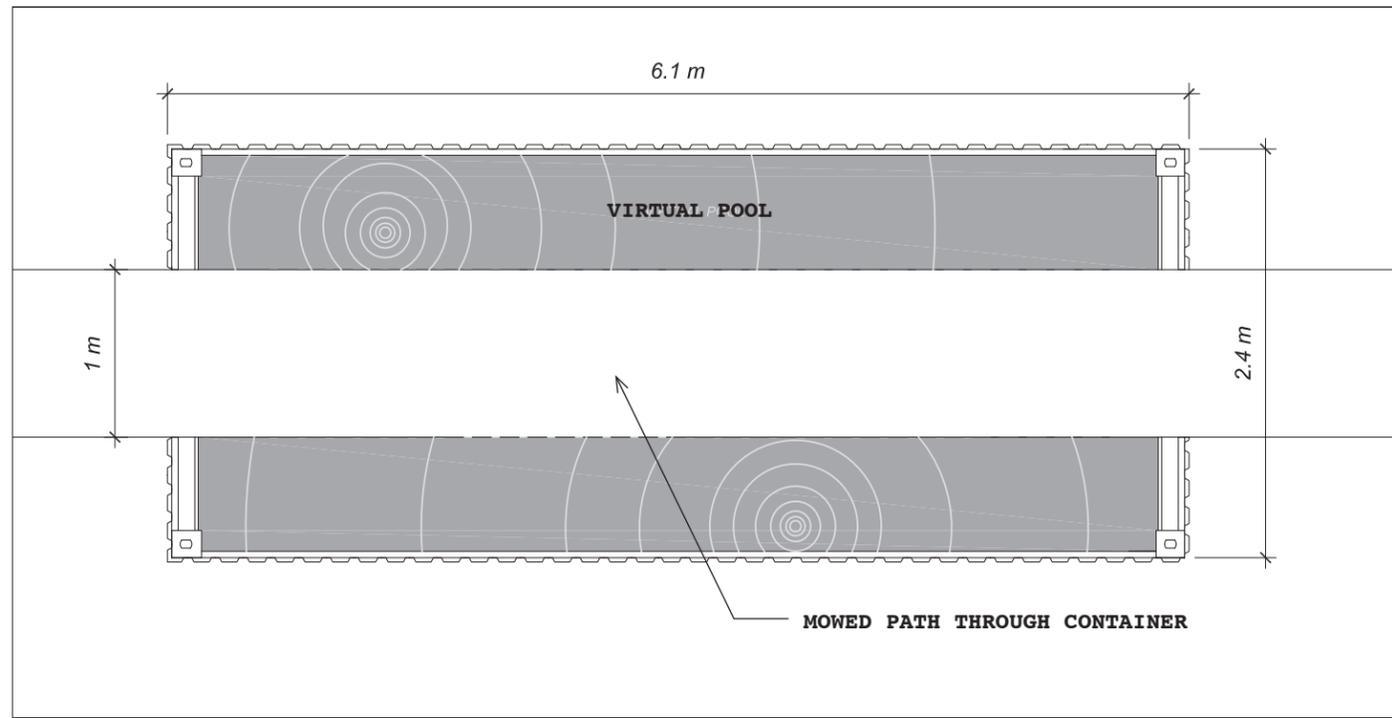
List of Suggested Plants - 2 options



Tropical Milkweed (*Asclepias curassavica*)
Asclepias curassavica is a Host Plant for two butterflies, the Monarch butterfly and the Queen butterfly. Quick growing annual in most of the US and Canada.
 Height & Width: 1.5m T x .9m W
 Light Requirements: Full Sun to part shade
 Zone: Zone 4-5 (annual)



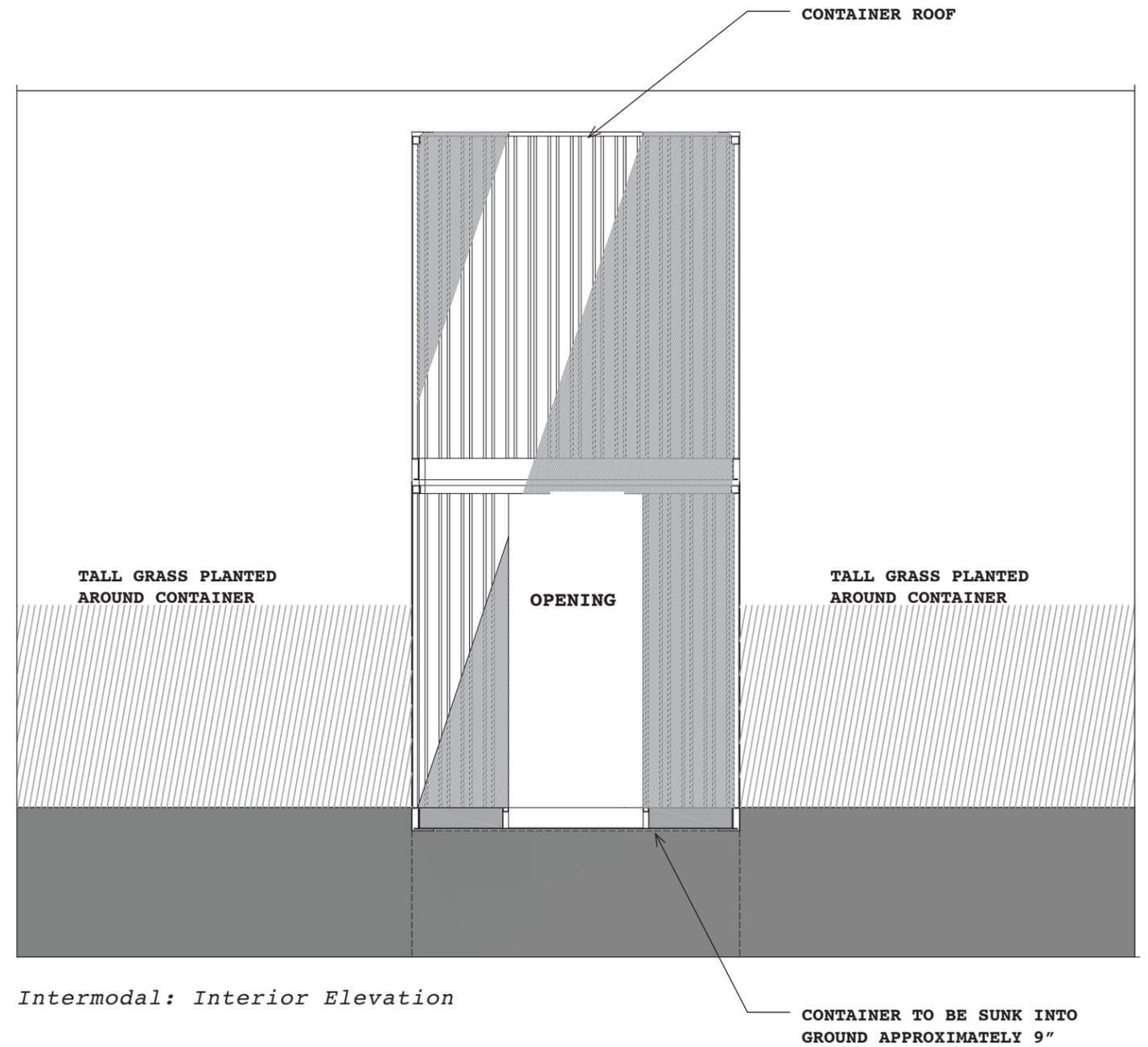
Heavy Metal Switch Grass (*Panicum virgatum* 'Heavy Metal') Blue foliage with clouds of flowers is great for perennial or meadow gardens. Bright yellow in fall.
 Height & Width: 1.5m T x .9m W
 Light Requirements: Full Sun
 Zone: Zone 5



Intermodal: Interior Plan View



Intermodal: Interior Section: Perspective View



Intermodal: Interior Elevation