AS SEEN IN Architectural Digest EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN | SEATTLE/TACOMA SEATTLE'S URBAN GARDEN OASIS

For almost 25 years, Ravenna Gardens has been Seattle's go-to resource for a delightfully curated selection of plants and botanically inspired decor

here is a palpable sense of joy from the minute guests approach Ravenna Gardens. A refreshing oasis tucked in the middle of a busy, urban shopping area, this boutique nursery bursts with lush indoor and outdoor plants, artful pottery, and thoughtful gifts.

Ravenna Gardens is a haven for all things horticultural and serves plant enthusiasts from all walks of life: college students selecting tropical plants for their first dorm room, young parents starting a vegetable garden with their children, or seasoned homeowners looking to freshen their spaces with botanical beauty.

"We cater to the unique needs of the urban gardener," says Owner Vanessa Kimling, who worked alongside the store's founder, Gillian Mathews, for 17 years before buying the business in 2022. The shop also boasts a large selection of lifestyle products for non-gardeners sourced from local makers, including books, linens, tableware, spa-like bath products, and artisan candles.

"Every square inch of the store is a delight for the senses," says Barbara Libner, creative director. Unlike most other nurseries, Ravenna Gardens is laid out in "lifestyle vignettes" that complement plants and pots while considering color, texture, culture, seasonality, and mood. "Our designforward approach allows customers to select beautiful plant combinations with ease, knowing they will look just as lovely in their own homes," says Libner.

"We're proud to offer an immersive, inspiring space that takes the guesswork out of the design process. Our mission is to spread the joy and power of plants," Kimling concludes.

