



# HERB AND VEGETABLE GARDENS

The herb and vegetable gardens lend themselves to a more formal design creating a productive functional area while providing a continuation of the gardens from the sun terrace. The pathways are lined with *Buxus microphylla* 'Faulkner', the through the middle of the herb and vegetable gardens are wide enough to allow a comfortable walk through from the sun terrace while the side paths are just wide enough to access the beds for maintenance and harvesting, thus allowing large areas for growing beds. The raised beds are constructed from oak and sit 6" above the level of the gravel paths. Neatly clipped *Carpinus betula* (hornbeam) hedges surround the gardens, these serve accentuate the formal design whilst creating a sense of enclosure and protecting the crops from any drying winds.

The herb and vegetable gardens are situated next to the kitchens enabling an almost instant garden to table service, while care has been taken to save existing mature beds of asparagus

