



# Thomas Hoblyn

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The Outdoor Room

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This garden celebrates the novel *Candide* by Voltaire and depicts the smallholding near Constantinople where the book's eponymous hero ends his days. The dominant water features – two pools linked by a scalloped stream – suggest the rocks on which Candide is shipwrecked. Life-size bronze sculptures embedded in the perimeter wall depict Cunégonde, a character from *Candide*, in various poses.

**PLANTS** Taking inspiration from exotics that grow in Cornwall and on Tresco in the Isles of Scilly, Tom has created 'fields' of naturalistic planting in shades of burnt orange (*Fritillaria imperialis*) to glaucous blue (*Agave filifera*), with taller plants such as *Echium pininana* and *Yucca rostrata*. ▷