

How the Idea Began

Lauren Little and Tyra Lamb, Girl Scouts from Troop 316, traveled to Savannah, Georgia, to visit the home of Girl Scout founder, Juliette Gordon Low. While they were there, they saw a peace garden for the first time. They loved it so much that they wanted one for their own community in southeastern Kentucky. They decided to earn Girl Scout leadership badges by organizing their community to do it. The project was so big that they asked for help from Pathfinders of Perry County, Kentucky. Before long, many people were working together to make their dream of an international peace garden in Hazard come true.



The Meaning of the Languages

The message of the Peace Garden is: "May Peace Prevail on Earth." Lauren and Tyra expressed this thought in Arabic, English, Japanese and Spanish. These languages are used in parts of the world where the United States has had wars or conflicts. Tyra and Lauren want all of us to help prevent new conflicts by reaching out to our world in peace.

The Meaning of the Plants

The plants were chosen to represent the countries or regions where the four languages are spoken. The garden contains plants that are native to the Middle East, North America, Asia, Spain and South America. The weeping cherry trees are native to Japan and are known as symbols of peace worldwide.

The Meaning of the Colors

The garden includes bright colors, especially white, yellow, pink, purple and red.



White symbolizes peace.
Yellow symbolizes friendship.
Pink symbolizes universal love.
Purple symbolizes remembrance.
Red symbolizes life.

Life in the Garden



The plants make the garden an attractive place for humans and other living creatures to gather. They provide food for birds, butterflies and other insects.



The flowers are beautiful and fragrant, making it a wonderful place for people. The benches (each designed by one of the girl scouts) provide a place to sit and



rest, to watch the insects work, or to meet with friends and family.

Everyone is welcome at the Riverside International Peace Garden.

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