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[Rideau Woodland Ramble](#) makes a relatively small footprint if you're comparing it with the gargantuan asphalt indentations left by box stores. In fact, if you're looking for a gardening panacea that allows your home estate to blend indistinguishably with your neighbours you won't find RWR. It wouldn't even occur to you go looking for them. However, Gentle Reader, if you remember what a niche nursery is; if you remember expertise that went far beyond "Annuals will be found on shelf #4 in aisle 3"; if you have a landscape design which calls for a unique, hardy specimen to add the finishing touch, then you will be tapping on Dave and Rob's door.

I won't spend a lot of time describing their nursery except to say it is one of the best in Canada, which is why RWR is the Destination Garden Centre of the Year for 2015, determined by the Canadian Garden Council at the North American Garden Tourism Conference.

You will find them between Merrickville and Kemptville on the Burritt's Rapids Road, just a few miles down the road from my family farm. Plan a day trip that follows the Rideau Canal from Kingston, through to Merrickville, an artisan's delight, to The Ramble. If you are a plant person, this is a visit you will thoroughly enjoy