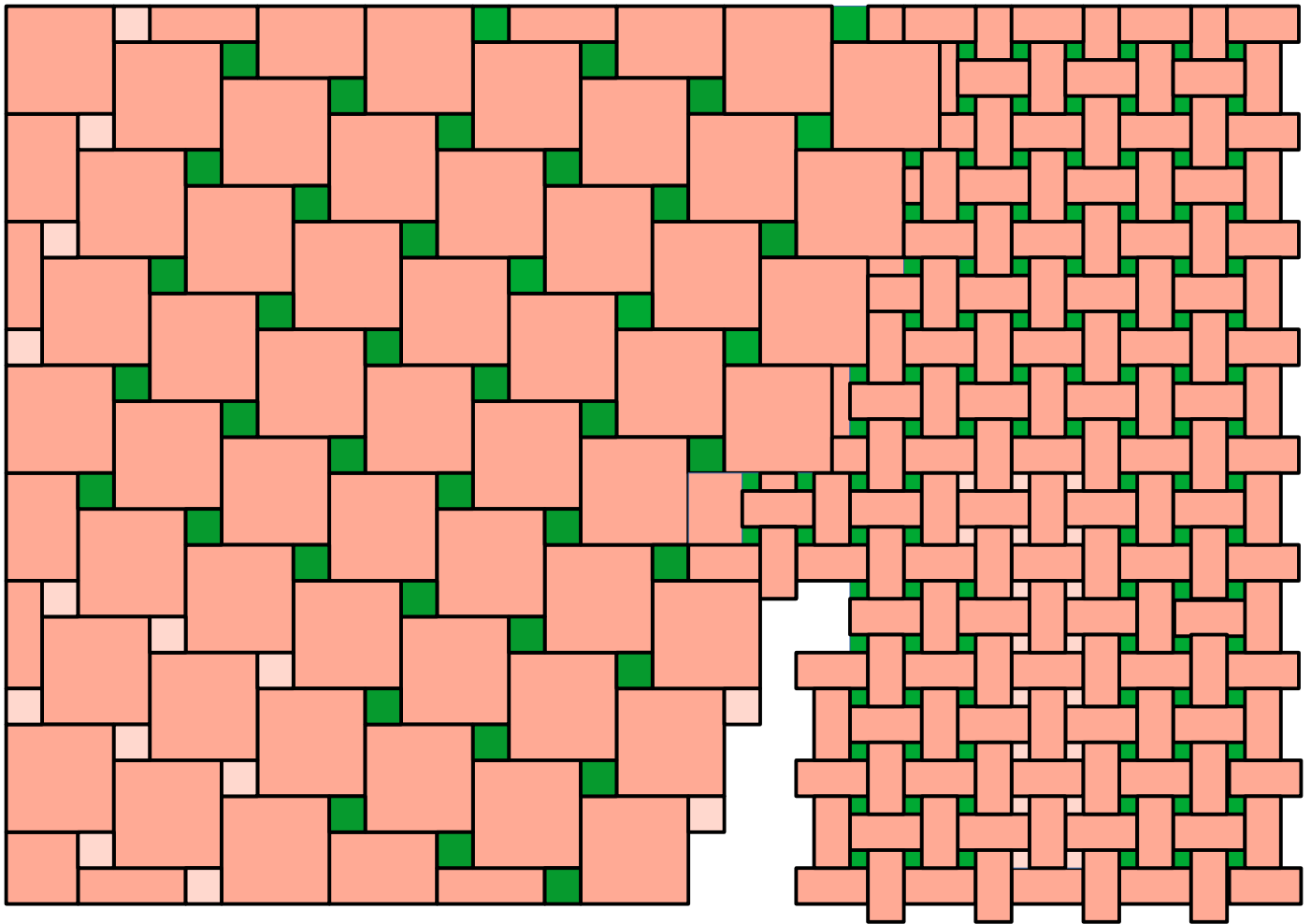


The Walk-in Garden (03075)



By covering the surface of your garden with pavers, but leaving holes for the plants, you save water and reduce weeds.

If you stagger 12" paving tiles by 4" as shown above, the ground exposed to evaporation and weeds would be one tenth that of uncovered ground (3" openings would also be an option).

For plants needing less space between them, you could develop a weave-like pattern from 4"X8" pavers.

With smaller plants, the pavers would allow convenient access to the entire garden. When broader foot-paths are needed, some of the openings could be filled by squares cut from pavers.

When combined with an underlying membrane as in the the Water Table Garden (see #03050), extreme water saving can be achieved. This would prevent absorption of water into the soil below the garden layer, as well as radically reduce surface evaporation.