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n.

1. An area of land devoted to the cultivation of fruit or nut trees.
2. The trees cultivated in such an area.

[Middle English, from Old English *orceard*, alteration of *ortgeard* : perhaps *wyrt*, *wort*, plant; see [WORT](#)¹ + *geard*, yard; see [gher](#)-¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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