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sustainable gardening australia

Community Workshops

Protecting the natural environment • **Growing** local healthy food • **Building** community

For over 15 years SGA has been delivering positive outcomes to home gardeners, communities and the environment.

We are committed to providing workshops of the highest quality that meet the needs of your community. Over the last two years our experienced presenters have been engaged by more than 20 organisations to deliver sustainable gardening workshops.

With a wide range of topics to choose from there should be one to meet your needs. If not, let us know and we may be able to develop one.

Workshop Formats

Many workshops are delivered indoors with seating and projection making them perfect for an evening event or when weather is not suitable for gardening.

Community Workshops

1 ½ to 2 hours (\$450 / event + GST)

Community Workshops bring groups of people together to learn about gardening sustainably. They are designed to be inspiring, grounded in the latest science and best gardening practice and rich in practical suggestions for people to use in their own gardens.

A typical 2 hour workshop agenda is:

- Introduction by the workshop sponsor (5 mins)
- Workshop Part 1 (45 mins)
- Beverage Break (15 mins)
- Workshop Part 2 (45 mins)
- Q&A (10 mins)



Walk and Talk

1 ½ to 2 hours (\$450 / event + GST)

A community garden or nature reserve is a great venue to inspire people to garden more sustainably. The venue provides the inspiration for discussion, highlighting examples of what can be achieved or changed in the home garden or community space. Topics that can be adopted to this format include Habitat Gardening, Preparing for (season) Harvest and Starting an Organic Garden.

Bite Size Talks

45 min (\$250 / event + GST)

While our Bite Size Talks are shorter in length, they are packed with ideas and actions for people to take home and try. They are perfect for employee lunchtime talks, a session at a seniors or retirement seminar, a talk at the local library or a sustainability festival.

NOTE:

- (1) *Travel charges may apply where a venue is further than 15km from SGA's office.*
- (2) *Changes to workshop scope or format may attract additional charges.*
- (3) *Additional charges may apply where SGA provides workshop materials.*
- (4) *SGA can provide a digital copy of workshop notes for the host to print and distribute at the event.*

“ We’ve worked with SGA for many years to deliver our sustainability workshop program. Richard is easy to communicate with and always gets back to us quickly with quotes. He and his speakers are passionate, enthusiastic and great subject matter experts.”

– Andrea and Liz, City of Boroondara

Other Resources

📍 www.sgaonline.org.au is a wealth of sustainable gardening information and can be a valuable resource for your local community. There are a number of ways to help your community connect with this information. You can:

- Add a link to 📍 www.sgaonline.org.au on your website
- Load our free sustainable gardening fact sheets on your website
- Share topical SGA articles via your social media platforms or email newsletters

Sustainable Gardening Topics

Gardening for Food and Health

- **Getting Started with Organic Gardening**
- **Composting and Worm Farming = Black Gold**
- **Building Healthy Soil for Garden Health**
- **Soil Food Web and The Universe Below**
A fun and interactive role play
- **Water Efficient Wicking Beds and Pots**
Can be combined with a construction activity
- **Preparing for Winter Harvest**
- **Preparing for Spring Harvest**
- **Preparing for Summer Harvest**
- **Preparing for Autumn Harvest**
- **Dealing with Garden Pests Without Harsh Chemicals**
- **Companion Planting for Garden Health**
- **Active Ageing Through Gardening**

Gardening for Biodiversity

- **Sharing your Garden with Wildlife – An Introduction**
- **Attracting Small Birds to your Garden**
- **Attracting Butterflies to your Garden**
- **Attracting Frogs to your Garden**
New in 2019
- **Native Plant Propagation from Cuttings**
Hands on workshop best run outdoors
- **Native Plant Propagation from Seed**
Hands on workshop best run outdoors
- **Indigenous Food, Fibre and Medicine Plants**
- **Weeds – Dancing with Nature in the Garden**
Including edible weeds



Sustainable Garden Design

- **How Sustainable is your Garden? A Checklist**
- **Design Tips for a Sustainable Garden**
- **The Thrifty Gardener – Reduce, Reuse and Recycle in the Garden**
- **Tiny Houses, Tiny Gardens, Big Living**
- **Gardening for Renters**
- **Gardening in Small Spaces – Pots, Courtyards or Balconies**
- **Practical Vertical Gardening**
- **Water Smart Gardening**
- **Rainwater Tanks and Irrigation Systems**
New in 2019
- **Reduce your Carbon Footprint by Gardening Sustainably**

Workshop attendees –

“ So informative & engaging. I appreciated how much information was included in a single workshop and how generously you answered our many questions.’

“ Fantastic! Learnt so much. Please organise more talks.’

Discounts

Discounts are available to organisations that book multiple workshops at a time.

Not-For-Profit organisations receive a 15% discount off headline prices.

WORKSHOPS	DISCOUNT
2 workshops	5%
3 workshops	7.5%
4 or more workshops	10%

Become an SGA Community Partner

Become an 'SGA Community Partner' and help SGA continue its work *protecting* the natural environment, *growing* local healthy food and *building* community.



A 12 month 'SGA Community Partner' subscription includes:

- ✓ One Bite Size Talk for your staff or community
- ✓ Acknowledgement as an 'SGA Community Partner' on the SGA website for a period of 12 months
- ✓ The use of the 'SGA Community Partner' Logo on your website for a period of 12 months
- ✓ A 5% discount on individual workshops booked during the 12 month subscription period (not cumulative with other discounts)
- ✓ Optional promotion of your SGA Community Workshops to SGA subscribers living in your postcode catchment areas

Cost – \$450 (+GST) – Contact us if you would like to discuss other sponsorship opportunities.

Trainer Profiles

Richard Rowe

Richard is a passionate home gardener, worm farmer, experienced trainer and community facilitator. After a long and successful corporate career in finance and sustainability, Richard now focuses on environmental education for both adults and school children and on the local food movement.



Nicole Griffiths

Nicole is a qualified teacher with over ten years of experience as an educator and presenter. She has a particular interest in edible gardening and has worked with both school and community kitchen garden programs.



Information and bookings

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