

registration form

Places are limited and bookings essential.

Your name:

Your address:

Your phone number(s):

Your email address:

Business you work for:

Course number:

Course dates:

Post your registration to:

Mary Trigger
GreenGardeners
6 Manningham Road West
Bulleen Victoria 3105

You will receive a confirmation letter by post or email.

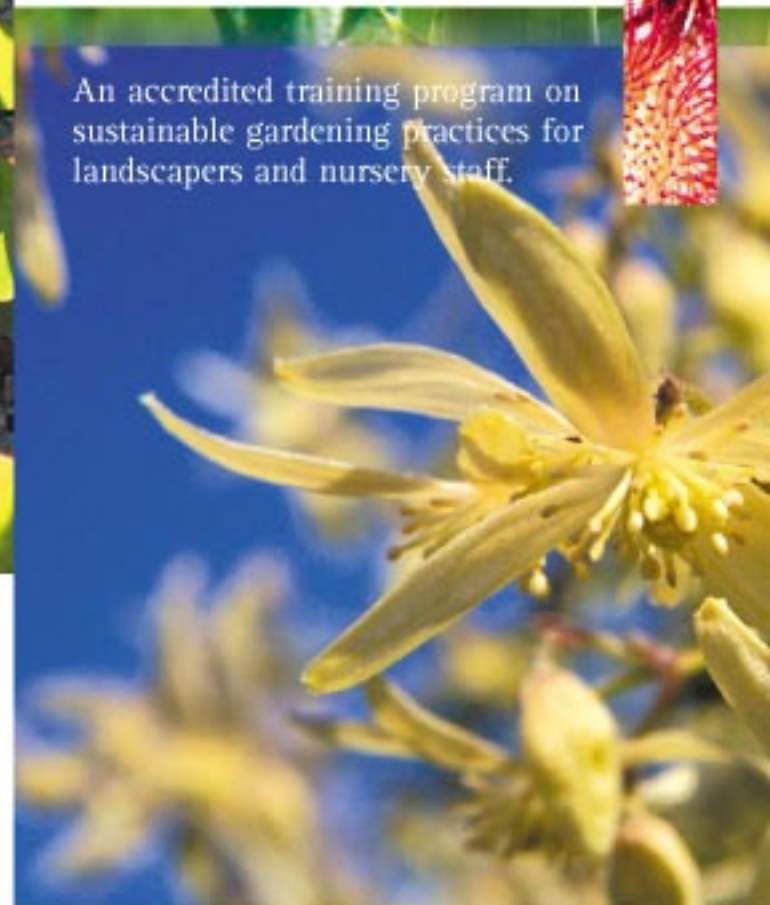
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For more information on Melbourne Water's role in managing Melbourne's water resources visit www.melbournewater.com.au



Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners*

An accredited training program on sustainable gardening practices for landscapers and nursery staff.



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What is the Melbourne Water GreenGardeners training program?

The Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* training program offers free training workshops for landscape gardeners and nursery staff and recognises the important role gardeners can play in educating the community about sustainable gardening practices.


Melbourne Water has funded the development of this program as part of its commitment to managing Melbourne's water resources and the environment in a sustainable manner. The program has been developed by Sustainable Gardening Australia in conjunction with Melbourne Water, Landscape Industries Association of Victoria, Holmesglen Institute of TAFE and Environs Australia.

The program, which consists of three two-hour workshops, will be hosted by councils across Melbourne. At completion of the program, attendees will receive a TAFE accredited Certificate of Participation and will be registered on the Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* website.

Who is it for?

Professional gardeners and horticulturists working in the landscape and nursery industries who want to develop their knowledge and skills in sustainable gardening practices. Whether you sell garden products, design gardens, install gardens or maintain gardens, you will find this course of benefit to you.

Why should I do it?

- Differentiate yourself from other operators by becoming an expert in sustainable gardening practices
 - Be actively promoted through the Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* website – www.greengardeners.com.au
 - It is free professional development
 - It is a nationally registered TAFE accredited course
 - Melbourne Water, *GreenGardeners* and *GreenPlumbers* will run 10 community evenings to promote the program to the general public and encourage them to seek the services of an environmentally aware *GreenGardener*
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Course details

LENGTH

- Three two-and-a-half hour workshops
- Workshops will run from 6:30pm to 9:00pm
- Refer to the insert for the schedule of workshops

VENUE

- Ten councils in the metropolitan Melbourne region will host the workshops
- Refer to the insert for details



CONTENT

The Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* program will provide practical information on sustainable gardening issues. Workshops are designed to provide discussion and group interaction in order to explore a wide range of issues. Topics covered include:

- Sustainable garden design
- Soil and plant health
- Plant selection
- Pest control
- Stormwater issues
- Water conservation, including greywater and rainwater systems

Participants will also be given a manual of course notes and reference material.

PRESENTERS

- Qualified trainers with experience in the landscape and nursery industries.

COST

- Free (includes Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* manual)



Melbourne Water GreenGardeners accreditation

At the completion of the program and the accreditation assessment, participants will receive:

- a Certificate of Participation
- a Statement of Results from TAFE
- registration on the Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* website and
- a Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* kit

This website will be promoted to the public as a listing of environmentally-aware nursery and landscape operators who have undertaken professional accreditation in sustainable gardening. Individuals will be accredited rather than businesses. The website will list the name of the accredited gardener and the gardening business they currently work for. If the accredited gardener changes their place of work, the details on the website will also change.

further information

For further information on the Melbourne Water *GreenGardeners* program contact:

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