

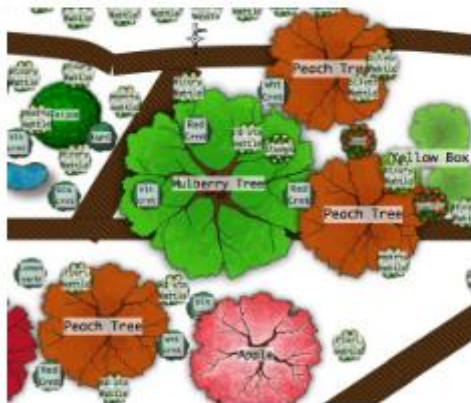


Forest Gardening Workshop

With *Dan Harris-Pascal*

2nd and 3rd September 2017

at Canberra City Farm



Topics

- Forest ecology
- Roles of beneficial insects, animals and birds
- Site analysis
- Plant selection and guilds
- Practical Work

What you'll need to bring

- Hat and sunscreen
- Sturdy shoes
- Notepad and pen
- Water bottle

Cost

\$300 Southern Harvest
or CCF Members
\$350 General Admission

Time

9AM-4PM both days

Catering

The course will be fully catered with a wholesome morning tea and lunch supplied.



A Food Forest is designed to mimic the structure and function of a forest ecosystem to produce an abundance of diverse yields of fruits, nuts, vegetables, herbs and enjoyment.

By using the vertical structure of a forest to produce food, more production can happen in a smaller space and yields can be obtained from the canopy, shrubs and herbaceous plants.

Plants are guilded together so that the products and functions of one plant meet the needs and requirements of another. Further, a forest garden seeks to support and provide for the needs of beneficial birds, insects and animals which reduce our work and increase yields when they reside alongside us in our forest gardens.

The ecological principles of food forest gardens apply on any scale.

This workshop is based at Canberra City Farm's establishing food forests and will teach you the principles of ecological garden design as well as the practicalities of starting a forest garden. Students will leave the course with extensive notes on theories covered in class as well as plant material to start a food forest or forest garden of your own.

Dan Harris-Pascal has been working in Forest Gardens, Permaculture, Ecology and Horticulture for the last 5 years. His background in Horticulture, Forestry and Ecology means that he understands the functions of many different plants and the environments they grow in. More recently he has been designing and implementing Forest Garden systems using the Design Framework outlined by Dave Jacke and Eric Toensmeier in *Edible Forest Gardens* (<http://www.edibleforestgardens.com/>). He has designed and developed an excellent teaching program to enable students to understand the ecological principles that allow a forest to function and how to design a garden to encourage those processes to develop resilient, productive polycultures. Dan hopes to use his communication skills and experience to assist in the rapid uptake of Forest Gardens & Food Forests in home gardens, community gardens and small holdings to ensure resilient food production into the future.

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