

Adult Learning - Course Information Sheet



SZY3BA07 - Grow Your Own Fruit And Vegetables

Virtual Classroom - Google Classroom
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Start Date: 08 January 2025
End Date: 26 February 2025
Start Time: 7:00PM
End Time: 9:00PM
Day: Wednesday
Sessions: 7
Tutor: Ms Vikki Sargent

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Be a Better Gardener

This course is part of a series of short courses that aims to help you become a better gardener, whether you are just starting out or already have well-developed 'green fingers'. For more information about the series please see the final section of this document.

Course aim

To provide you with the knowledge and skills to grow your own food plants - both vegetables and soft fruit - whether you have a large garden or a small outdoor space.

Course outcomes

- To understand the soil and other conditions required for successful growing of food crops.
- To choose which crops to grow to suit the available space and conditions, time available, and personal taste
- To describe the techniques used to grow perennial vegetables, legumes, brassicas, salad leaves and soft fruit..
- To describe the techniques used to care for, store and use a range of crops.

How will the course be taught?

If this is an online course, please check the email confirmation for the link to join your Google Classroom. This information is also on 'My Account' when you are logged in to the Adult Learning website. Find 'How to use Google Classroom' at <https://getgoing.nccadultlearning.ac.uk/it-tips/google-classroom>

What do I need to bring / have ready?

A pen and paper. Ideally a computer or tablet to access the Google Classroom - to download session handouts or to use the interactive additional materials. Course study materials are available on the course Google Classroom - if you are unable to use the Google Classroom site because of disability please advise when booking or tell your tutor in advance of the first session so adjustments can be made.

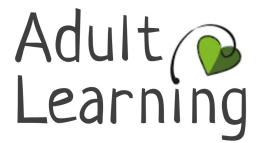
Further support and progression

If you need help whilst on a course with us, our Learner Support Advisor is available to discuss your needs. We offer a range of services, subject to eligibility, which can include practical support and/or financial assistance to ensure you feel fully supported while learning with us. For more information contact alsreferrals@northnorthants.gov.uk or call 01536 535809 (answerphone available). Visit our website www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/course-info for further information about our fees and concessions. Your tutor will inform you of further learning opportunities and progression during your course.

Health and Safety / Online Safety

When you enrol, please let us know if you require additional personal support to participate in this course. Your tutor will give you information about Health and Safety on the first day. For information on how to keep safe online go to https://safety.lovetoknow.com/Internet_Safety_Adult and <https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/> national awareness campaign. To report suspected scams, or get help and advice about preventing scams call the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06.

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Further information

This course forms part of a series of courses for new gardeners, or experienced gardeners who would like to brush up their knowledge or get a new perspective. The aim is to introduce the techniques of gardening, and the reasons why we do things in a particular way to get good results. There is a particular focus on environmentally sensitive gardening, but this is a series for all gardeners.

The series covers the following areas (select the ones that are appropriate for you - no need to do them all):

- a) The Healthy and Sustainable Garden. (6 Weeks)
- b) New Plants for your Garden (propagation) (5 weeks)
- c) Grow your own vegetables and fruit (7 weeks)
- d) Your ornamental garden (6 Weeks) starting 2024/25
- e) Introduction to Garden Planning and Design. (6 Weeks)

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