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ECOLOGICAL GARDENS DESIGN COURSE

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10.11.2019

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CHANGING THE WORLD ONE GARDEN AT A TIME





ECOLOGICAL GARDENS DESIGN COURSE



The main objective of the Ecological Gardens Design Course is to guide you on a learning journey to design productive, effective and abundant gardens which are low maintenance, green havens for biodiversity and people.

Ecological design draws knowledge and inspiration from natural systems. What distinguishes it from other design disciplines is its ethical base,

This is a blended learning course: the virtual learning environment [V.L.E.] is only an extension of the classroom and does not replace it.

Before each session, you receive a primer, then in the classroom the focus is on learning the main topics for each session followed by practical exercises designed to support and accelerate your learning journey.

After each session the V.L.E. offers a series of activities to consolidate learning and further develop your design skills.

The course requires you to complete one group design project as well as an individual design project. If you are really keen you can even complete two group design projects!






E.G.D.C. SCHEDULE

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10 AM | 3.30 PM

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| DAY 1
10.11.19 | Introduction to Ecological Garden Design
The Client, the Brief and the Site |
| DAY 2
08.12.19 | Ecological Garden Design
The Site Analysis Tools |
| DAY 3
12.01.20 | Design from patterns to details
Understanding Soil |
| DAY 4
26.01.20 | Ecological Design, the Art of Placement.
Water and Soil |
| DAY 5
09.02.20 | Conceptual Design Proposal
Permanent Polyculture Patterns |
| DAY 6
23.02.20 | Mastering the Conceptual Design Proposal
Transient Polyculture Patterns |
| DAY 7
21.03.20 | Eco Garden Design Presentations
Ethical Sourcing - Materials, resources, traders |
| DAY 8
22.03.20 | Eco Garden Design Presentations
Thriving as a Designer |
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E.G.D.C. SESSIONS

WHAT TO EXPECT WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU

Each course session runs from 10 am to 3.30 pm the latest. Ideally, we aim to finish at 3 pm, however some days we might need the extra time to complete the classroom sessions.

During most sessions you engage in group work and practical activities. We provide you with the materials needed in the classroom sessions. You can bring a tablet and/or phone if you prefer to take notes and photos this way.

We do give you an A5 notebook for note taking and sketching but please bring your own pens and pencils.

We have two short tea breaks, mid morning and mid afternoon plus 45 m for lunch from 12 to 12.45 pm. We bring soup and bread for lunch but you might want to supplement this with your own packed lunch and something to share if you like.

A selection of teas and coffee is available. Please bring a reusable cup with a lid if you wish to bring drinks to the classroom, otherwise you must finish your drinks in the tea room.

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TRAVEL OPTIONS

By **metrolink**: East Didsbury stop

By **bus**: 42, 142

By **rail**: East Didsbury station on the Piccadilly to Manchester Airport line

The **Didsbury Parsonage Trust**

The Old Parsonage

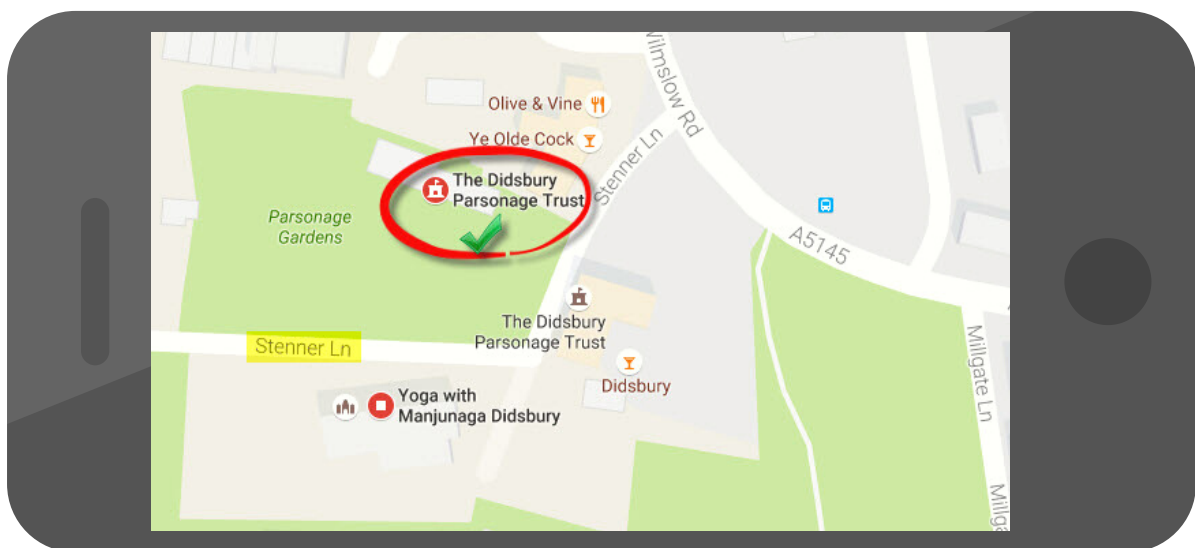
Stenner Lane

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If you are visiting by car, you can park in the Pay & Display behind the Didsbury pub or alternatively there is limited free street parking on Stenner Lane.



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TOPICS

The main topic is ecological design which encapsulates the art and science of learning from natural systems. The study of ecological design is a thread that unifies all the other specialist topics on this course. In every single course session you will learn and practise how to apply ecological design in the garden.

Most course sessions also focus on specialist topics explored, again, from the perspective of applied ecology. The main specialist topics are: soils, water and polycultures.

There are no prerequisites in artistic skills such as computer, technical or free hand drawing. You will learn and practise the basics of technical drawing by hand during the course as well as how to present a conceptual design proposal to a client.



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PARTNERS

This course is brought to you by Teresa Pereira and the Northern School of Permaculture in partnership with the Didsbury Parsonage Trust.



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