




CAM ACADEMY TRUST COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title	<p style="text-align: center;">Kitchen Garden Design</p>				
Course Description	<p>This course is aimed at people who want to learn how to grow their own herbs, vegetables and fruit in a designated area, the kitchen garden. Previous knowledge of gardening is not required. It is hoped that by the end of the course in December, the participants will have enough knowledge to set up their own kitchen garden in Spring of the following year.</p>				
Start Date	25 th Sept 2025	Day & Time	Wednesday 19.00-21.00	Venue	Comberton Village College
Tutor Details	<p>Yasmeen Farooqui, (MA, Dip GD, RHS Level 2) has been gardening organically for over 25 years and designing client's gardens for 5 years. She initially worked for many years at the BBC as a graphic designer. She is also an artist and printmaker.</p>				
No. of wks	10	Terms		1	
Fee	FREE* /£125 <small>(see eligibility criteria)</small>	Concessionary Fee		FREE* /£ <small>(see eligibility criteria below)</small>	
Course Level:	Mixed ability			X	
	Level 1, Level 2 (equiv. to GCSE / NVQ2)				
	Level 3 Equivalent GCE A Level				
Skills or qualifications needed for entry into the class			None		
Course aims & objectives					
<p>The first section of the course will concentrate on doing a layout of the garden and ensuring that the soil will be suitable for growing the required plants. Choosing the right equipment will also be covered.</p> <p>The next section will focus on how to grow plants, germination techniques, optimum growing conditions and plant protection. Choosing suitable varieties of vegetables, fruit and herbs and when to plant then will also be included.</p> <p>There will also be a section on how to use herbs and vegetables in cooking including simple recipes using the produce grown. The aim of this is to promote healthy eating.</p>					

Progression – after this course what might you do next?	
Create your own garden using what you have learnt. RHS Level 2 Horticulture; further garden design or gardening courses.	
Materials/equipment required for first class	Essential: Notebook or A4 sketchbook to take notes and make your own sketches. Pen and pencils.
Contact for further information	Adult Education: 01223 264721 commed@catrust.co.uk

Funding

This course is funded through the Adult Education Budget allocated by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority (CPCA) or the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and part financed by the European Social Fund (ESF) programme. This funding is managed by Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills. A short video covering the background of ESF, what it does, how it helps and who benefits is available on the European Union website: <http://ec.europa.eu/esf/home.jsp>

Eligibility criteria *

In order to qualify for a FREE place on this course, you must be eligible for us to claim funding to cover the costs. The eligibility criteria are as follows:

- Aged 19 or older on 31 August 2024
- You are a citizen of a country within the European Economic Area (EEA) or other countries determined within the EEA, including those with bilateral agreements such as Switzerland, or have settled status or the Right of Abode in the UK (including Afghanistan, Hong Kong and Ukraine)
- Currently living within the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough postcode area
- **AND** have been ordinarily resident in the EEA or other countries determined within the EEA, including those with bilateral agreements such as Switzerland, for at least the previous 3 years on the first day of learning (does not apply to Afghanistan, Hong Kong and Ukraine).

In line with national policy, the CPCA has introduced the earnings threshold for policy entitlements. The earnings threshold for CPCA residents is £30,491.

In order to receive a FREE place on this course, you must attend regularly, more than 50% of the classes and complete an individual learning plan (ILP) whilst attending this course.

If you do not qualify for a free course, you are welcome to join and can attend by paying the relevant fee.

Enrolment and Payment

Please enrol at Comberton Village College for all courses, including those in Cambourne, Melbourn and online. Please assume the class is running once payment has been received unless you hear to the contrary.

We can currently accept card payments within our office based in Comberton Village College. We accept cash and cheques made payable to The Cam Academy Trust. We will be available in class to collect contactless card payments in person, at the beginning of each term. We can also send out secure payment requests for fees, via email and text message. **Please note, we no longer accept payments over the telephone.**

You can contact our office via the following:

By Phone: 01223 264721 – please check our office opening hours

Email: commed@catrust.co.uk

Address: Adult Education, Comberton Village College, Comberton, Cambridgeshire, CB23 7DU

Refunds

Refunds are only available if we close a class or you withdraw at least two weeks before the start. In the latter case there is a £5 administrative charge. Classes cancelled by us due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. tutor illness) will be replaced with an extra class at the end.

Concessionary Fees

25% discount (excluding materials) is available for those in receipt of JSA/ESA, Universal Credit, Carers Allowance or a social care assessment (EHCP, PIP) evidence to be provided. It is also possible to pay by instalments, please ask for details.

Calendar (Please check start date of specific courses)

Autumn Term Half term 28th Oct – 1st Nov 2024

Spring Term Half term 17th Feb – 21st Feb 2025

Summer Term Half term 26th May – 30th May 2025

During the summer holiday period our office is open on reduced hours. Please note, we are closed in other school holidays.

Equalities statement

We are fully committed to equality of opportunity and welcome enrolments from all adults aged 19+ (on 31 August 2024). We positively encourage all learners with any concerns about specific needs which might affect their learning to discuss their requirements with us in confidence. We believe that everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a community based on mutual trust and respect. We will do our best to ensure that resources and equipment are accessible to all and make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all learners can access activities.

Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills service supports a wide range of other adult learning opportunities across Cambridgeshire to support adults with the lowest level of qualifications or no qualification at all, and so typically find themselves in lower paid, less secure jobs or unemployed. Search our website www.cambsals.co.uk for details of all our funded courses.

Safeguarding Statement

Arrangements have been made to make sure that you are safe at our Centres. If you feel you are not safe for any reason, for example through verbal or physical abuse or you have been discriminated against, please tell your tutor or the Centre Manager, who will investigate to ensure your safety.

How we use your data

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esfa-privacy-notice>

