

Learn about living sustainably in the city. Become part of the solution for a low-carbon future.

## Permaculture Design Certificate (PDC) at northey street city farm

this exciting program gives you knowledge and skills for designing productive gardens and properties, growing your own food, applying appropriate technologies, using resources wisely, designing animal and plant systems to minimise your workload, rebuilding community values, and generally reducing your impact on our precious environment.

**Northey Street City Farm's Permaculture Design Certificate (PDC)** gives a good overview of permaculture principles and practice, with an emphasis on design. At Northey Street, we include significant hands-on practical experience as well.

To qualify for a PDC, students need to attend all the workshops in the program including four permaculture design workshops, and complete a design project.

### course content

- What is permaculture?
- Plants and animals in permaculture
- Understanding your soil
- Permaculture design I, II, III, IV, V and VI
- Water in permaculture I and II
- Propagating your plants
- Growing healthy vegetables
- Improving your soil with composting and worm farming
- Keeping poultry
- Establishing and maintaining a vegetable garden
- Sustainable city living walking tour
- Trees in permaculture I and II
- Thinking of a tree change? Hinterland tour
- Managing pests and diseases
- Seed saving
- Animals in permaculture (bees, cows, goats, sheep, wildlife, etc.)
- Sustainable housing and renewable energy
- Building a local permaculture community

### learning program

The PDC is delivered in two formats: the "standard" NSCF format of one day each week for 14 weeks, or a two-week intensive program delivered each day for two weeks with a day's rest in the middle. Each course also requires some homework to research a permaculture plant presentation and spend time working on your design project.

### training times

**9 am to 4.30 pm** each day of the course.

### course dates 2010

Choose from the following 2010 courses: Thursdays from 25 February to 3 June, Saturdays from 22 May to 28 August, or Fridays 3 September to 10 December, 9 am to 4.30 pm. A two-week intensive PDC will also run from 18 September to 2 October.

**Booking deadline – One week prior to commencement of course**

### further learning opportunities

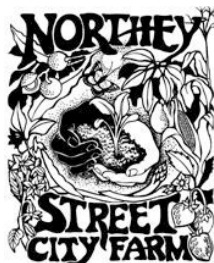
The PDC is part of NSCF's Accredited Permaculture Training Certificate 3 (APT3). APT3 is a nationally accredited program that furthers your skills and knowledge to become a competent permaculture practitioner. See the information flyer on the APT3 program for more details.

course fees	Full fee	Concession (for people on government pensions or benefits)
<b>PDC Course fee</b>	1190	890
<b>Booking deposit *</b>	300	240
<b>Early bird discount</b> Up to one month prior	50	40
<b>NSCF Member discount</b>	25	15

\* Booking deposit required to secure place in course. Balance due one week prior to start of each course.

### For Further Information and to Register for a PDC course

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or email [info@nscf.org.au](mailto:info@nscf.org.au).



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