



Winterbourne Centre for Horticulture

Winterbourne Certificate in Garden Design

Costs: £950

Deposit: £300

Lessons: 30 lessons on Wednesdays from end September 2022. Lessons will run from 10am-2.45pm (includes 45 min lunch). There will also be 3 drawing weeks scheduled.

Course aim

To develop the skills necessary to design gardens and understand how to create them.

Entry requirements

Learners will need to have a Level 2 horticultural qualification or relevant experience in the Horticulture industry. This course although not accredited by an awarding body is broadly equivalent to a study at Level 3.

Course content

During the course learners will create a portfolio of drawings and designs for a range of gardens. This can include a show garden or show border. The tutors can give support if learners would like to apply for a show such as Gardeners World Live using their course work.

The learning programme will include:

1. Formal lecture sessions
2. Practical sessions
3. Written assignments
4. Practical assessments/ assignments.

To create these drawings and plans learners will need to purchase or have access to drawing equipment. A list will be distributed to learners before the start of the courses.

Learning Outcomes

Learning outcome	Criteria - Learners will be able to:
1. Understand the context of historic garden styles to modern gardens	1.1- describe a range of historic garden styles
	1.2 – describe a range of contemporary garden designers influencing current practice
2. Develop skills in designing gardens	2.1 Be able to survey and carry out site appraisals for a range of sites and clients.
	2.2 Develop concept plans for a range of clients and sites
	2.3 Develop graphic drawings and plans for gardens – survey plan, concept plan, planting plan, layout plans
	2.4 Develop graphic drawings to support garden design plans – elevations, axonometric drawings, perspective drawing, colour rendering.
3. Understanding the professional process of creating gardens	3.1 develop a knowledge of garden specification and contractual documentation
	3.2 Calculate costs of new garden landscape projects.
4. Understanding selection and use of plants for garden	4.1 Select a range of woody and herbaceous plants for gardens for specific purposes - aesthetic, functional, commercial, or sustainable purposes
	4.2 Prepare planting plans for a range of gardens
	4.3 Describe how to establish a range of garden plants
5. Understand the selection and construction of hard landscaping in gardens	5.1 Select a range of hard landscape features for specific purposes – aesthetic, functional, commercial, sustainable
	5.2 Prepare hard landscape plans for a range of gardens
	5.3 Describe how to construct a range of hard landscape features

Course Dates

This course will take place on Wednesdays from September 2022 to June 2023. Lessons take place from 10am – 2.45pm and include a 45 minute lunch break.

September 21st, 28th

October 5th, 12th, 19th

November (2nd drawing week) 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

December 7th, 14th,

January 11th, 18th, 25th,

February 1st, 8th (off site visit) (15th drawing week)

March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th,

April 19th, 26th,

May 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th,

June 7th, 14th, (21st drawing week), 28th