Join the Sydney Edible Garden Trail (SEGT)!! 21 – 22 March 2020

Do you share our passion for growing your own food? Live in Ryde, North Sydney, Lane Cove, Willoughby, Hornsby or Ku-ring-gai council areas? Willing to open your edible garden and share knowledge with others?

The inaugural SEGT aims to highlight, the sustainability of growing your own food in a time of changing climate. We're on the lookout for edible gardens – from home gardens, street, school and community ones. We would like to showcase the diversity of produce, growing styles and sustainable growing practices, environmental and economical sustainability and the beauty of edible gardens in Sydney.

WHAT IS INVOLVED? Being a Garden Host is an important role and we want to make sure you understand what's involved. We also want you to enjoy the experience! Here's what to expect:

- 1. **Privacy:** The trail will be open to the public and we will have to provide your address to our visitors. We may also be posting picture(s) and descriptions of your garden on our website and social media as part of promoting the event.
- 2. **Garden Inspection:** Prior to adding your garden to the trail, a couple of the organizers may need to inspect your garden to ensure it's in line with our aims. This is also a great time for you to meet us and ask any questions you might have.
- 3. **Garden Preparation:** The open garden will be in March. To make sure your garden is at its best, we recommend you start preparing for what to plant 4-6 months prior. Plant something that you'd harvest in March/April so visitors can see the magic that is edible gardening.
- 4. **Get some help on the Day:** You may have a few people attend your garden at the same time. We suggest you have at least a couple of friends or family assist you on the open day with at least one person in front of your house, to check tickets and welcome the visitors. Pick someone with a lovely smile =)
- 5. Activities on the Day: One of our aims is to showcase sustainable practices. We'd love you to hold an activity to share your knowledge with others (e.g. Composting Workshop, Crop Swap, a talk about your bees, a garden tour). Don't worry we don't expect you to be an expert, we just want you to share your experiences!

WHAT SUPPORT WILL I GET? Once you are confirmed as a Garden Host, you will have access to the following support:

- a. Garden Host Event Briefing where you will get to meet the other Garden Hosts and find out more about what will happen on the SEGT weekend.
- b. **Garden Host Facebook Group** we'll create a Closed Group on Facebook that's accessible to just Garden Hosts and the organisers to share ideas, ask questions and get to know the other hosts. If you're not on FB, you can always contact us directly.

- c. **Event Materials** we'll provide you with standard format posters and signage for the day. If you'd like signage for the different plants in your garden, you'll need to organize this yourself.
- d. An Invitation to our Post Event Briefing & Thank You Lunch where we can share what worked and didn't work on the day, what we can improve on in the future, and of course a big Thank You lunch for all our wonderful Hosts!
- e. **Public Liability Insurance** we have arranged public liability insurance to cover the event.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

- online: https://sydneyediblegardentrail.com/register-your-garden
- mail: complete the Registration Form below and submitting it to Bridget Kennedy, 53 Ridge Street North Sydney, NSW 2060 (Open Wed to Sat 11-5pm), or post to PO Box 1341, Lane Cove, NSW 1595
- email to: <u>info@sydneyediblegardentrail.com</u>

Registration Form

Name:				
Contact Details	Email:			
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	Composting		Bees on Site	
	Worm Farm		Chickens / Ducks / Quails	
	Child Friendly		Aquaponic	
	Solar Panels			
Other (Please				
describe)				