# **Duncraig Edible Garden** DEG Days Skill-shares/ Workshops, and Events **2020**

January 4<sup>th</sup> DEG Day Feed the Trees Watering skills 18th DEG Day Gardening-focussed 25<sup>th</sup> (Australia Day Long weekend) **February** 1st DEG Day Short talk Planting for Bunuru hottest time of the year School Begins Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 15th DEG Day Gardening-focussed **29<sup>th</sup> DEG Day** (Labour Day Long Weekend) Skillshare making Potting Mix, Seed raising mix and sowing seeds to grow Seedlings (Leafy greens, Legumes and and fruiting vegetables to pot up 25<sup>th</sup> April) March 14<sup>th</sup> DEG Day Gardening-focussed Root vegetables 28<sup>th</sup> DEG Day Open Day WA Community Garden Gathering in Bunuru Other community gardens visit us at DEG Skillshares making Potting Mix, Seed raising mix and sowing seeds to grow Seedlings (Leafy greens, Legumes and and fruiting vegetables) **Potting up seedlings** sown on 29<sup>th</sup> February **April** School Holidays Begin 11th DEG Day Easter Long Weekend Sprouts for salad and health Short talk Planting during Djeran as cooler weather begins Feed the trees October 25th DEG Day Anzac day Skillshare Potting up and planting out seedlings

School Holidays End

May

9th DEG Day Mothers Day weekend Sprouts for salad and health Workshop for kids 23<sup>rd</sup> DEG Day Worm farm skillshare 30<sup>th</sup> WA Day long weekend June 6<sup>th</sup> DEG Day Gardening focussed Gardening during Makuru, the coldest and wettest time of the year. 13<sup>th</sup> **20<sup>th</sup>** (Solstice) **DEG Day** Gardening-focussed. **Skillshare Making Compost** July School Holidays begin 4th DEG Day Gardening-focussed Feed the trees 18th DEG Day AGM over morning tea School Holidays End August 1<sup>st</sup> DEG Day gardening-focussed Djilba plantings for increasing number of clear cold nights and pleasant warmer days 15<sup>th</sup> DEG Day gardening-focussed Skillshare Edible weeds. 29th DEG Day gardening-focussed September 12th DEG Day Skillshare Natural methods for pest control, Insects, rats, diseases, Pruning 19<sup>th</sup> Eq on 22nd 26<sup>th</sup> DEG Day gardening-focussed School Holidays Begin Queens Birthday Long weekend

School Holidays End.

17<sup>th</sup>

10<sup>th</sup> DEG Day gardening-focussed Skillshare Why we feed the trees and what we feed them

24<sup>th</sup> DEG Day Gardening Focussed Kambarang gardening: longer dry periods

November

7<sup>th</sup> DEG Day gardening-focussed

Skillshare Set-up garden for summer (shadecloth on frames, Mulch to shade soil)

21st DEG Day gardening-focussed

December

5th DEG Day Community Celebration/ Party

School Ends

19th quiet DEG Day Birak: Dry and Hot.

#### **Notes:**

Although seeds and seedlings are always better planted than staying in their pots, (don't wait too long and let them die!) when we plant can make a difference to how things grow.

Saturdays on this page are colour coded to show the Moon cycle best times to:

Plant and transplant above ground crops

Cultivate, Sprout seeds for eating as salad (Quick Germination, Rapid spindly growth)

Plant Root vegetables on 2 days before and after the 5 days centred on Full Moon

Prune, Harvest, Cultivate to reduce weed growth

Odd jobs, Dig and Cultivate to Prepare soil for the fertile time that's coming 2 days after New Moon

The Noongar people recognised SouthWest Western Australia has 6 seasons of changing plant and animal life and weather (temperatures, wind and rainfall)

**Bunuru**: Hottest part of the year Easterly winds, sparse rainfall Feb, Mar

Djeran Cooler weather begins Bulbs and seeds collected April and May

Makuru Cold fronts, Usually wettest time of the year June and July

**Diilba** cold with Lessening rain August and September

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Kambarang Warming, rains finishing Oct and Nov Birak Hot and Dry December and January

### For Safety:

\*Lookout for creatures in the garden. Take care not to disturb them. They might defend themselves by biting, stinging or scratching.

\*Avoid sunburn and dehydration. Wear a hat, and sun-smart clothing such as a loose-fitting long-sleeved shirt and long pants. Make sure to drink enough water.

\*Wear closed shoes in the garden to protect your feet while working.

\*Carry and use tools safely.

\*Please follow instructions from the Head Gardener and be considerate of other people visiting and working in the garden.



See DEG notice board for more seasonal information.

Duncraig Edible Garden is a Community Garden founded on Permaculture Principles and planted in the forecourt and surrounds of Duncraig Public Library. DEG is run by volunteers. You are welcome to join us.

Weekday visitors may take a taste of herbs growing in the garden. Please leave enough for everyone to share.

Fruit should be left on the trees. Fruit and other produce will be assessed on Saturdays by the gardeners ,picked when ripe and will be put on our "Share the Harvest" table that so everyone can have some.

This garden belongs to the community. Located in your local recreational reserve outside your library, this is your local community garden.

We welcome enquiries from the public, and encourage you to become a member and join us tending this space.

Children are welcome to join us in the garden with their parent or guardian. Please keep an eye on each other; you remain responsible for looking after your children while at DEG.

Talk to us. Duncraig Edible Gardeners meet on Alternate Saturday mornings (opposite weeks to Poynter Farmers' Market) at the garden outside the Duncraig Public Library to work together in the open space.

#### Or Contact us:

Email: <u>info@duncraigediblegarden.org.au</u> Website: duncraigediblegarden.org.au

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Learn about eco-friendly, sustainable gardening for local conditions, soils, temperatures and rainfall.

We acknowledge the Whajuk Noongar people who cared for this land. We seek to continue that care.