

## Free Septic Workshops

5:30-7:30 PM

**February 7:** PUD 3, Cota Street

**April 17:** Pioneer Intermediate School, Agate Road

Class will help homeowners avoid flushing money down the drain. Experts will explain what can be flushed safely, how septic systems work and what to do to protect this valuable feature of every rural home. We will provide participants the opportunity to ask questions specific to their own needs. Learn what you can do on your own, or when it is time to call a professional. Septic maintenance discount coupon and manual included.

Call to register: 360-427-9670  
Ext.680



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WSU Mason County Extension  
Master Gardeners

January - June 2012  
Last Saturday of the month

Memorial Hall  
210 W Franklin Street, Shelton WA

## Country Living Gardening Workshops



WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY  
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Master Gardener Program

# 2012 Garden Series

**January 28**

## **Basic Vegetable Gardening**

AM: WSU MG Bonnie Day-Orr covers vegetable gardening basics, including planning, choosing a site and seeds, starting seeds, season extenders and more.

PM: WSU MG Evon Masteller gets you excited to raise worms with her vermicomposting demonstration. WSU MG Lou Schmidt shares her experience with vegetable garden success and ways to avoid failures. Lou will be back in April for even more vegetable garden tips.

**February 25**

## **Frugal Gardening**

*All day class.* Join WSU MG Dave Shephard to learn effective and efficient uses of resources in gardening. Topics include planning, preparation, planting, protecting, production, container gardening, and feasting.

**March 31**

## **Mushrooms and Composting**

AM: Mushrooms-Join WSU Extension Agent Jim Freed to learn about mushrooms and other specialty forest products.

PM: Composting with WSU MG Kimberly Wheeler. Learn how to make and use compost at home.

**April 28**

## **More Vegetable Gardening and Native Plants for Health**

AM: Join WSU MG Lou Schmidt to learn about summer varieties that require lots of heat such as squash, tomatoes, and beans. How to deal with summer drought and feeding your garden.

PM: Elizabeth Campbell, Northwest Indian College Educator, will share how to use native plants for health benefits. Participants will make rose hip jam .

**May 26**

## **Bee Keeping & Pollinators and Orcharding West of the Cascades**

AM: Join WSU AmeriCorps Member Anna Mangan and other local experts to learn about bees, beekeeping, and pollinators in the garden.

PM: Join WSU Extension Educator Mary DiMatteo for insights into keeping and maintaining a home orchard.

**June 30**

## **Rain Gardens and Raising Chickens**

AM: **BONUS CLASS NO FEE!** Join WSU Rain Garden Experts to learn about the benefits of Rain Gardens and how to install one on your property.

PM: Sharon Conboy will discuss chickens and how to raise them in suburban and small farm environments. Get all your chicken raising questions answered.

**Join us on the last Saturday of each month.**

**See details for topics and descriptions.**

**AM: 9:30 AM-Noon**

**PM: 1 PM-3:30 PM**

**Cost: \$25 per day or \$30 per couple  
Series Passes:  
\$90 per person  
or \$100 per couple**

Payment accepted at the door. Please call to register in advance to ensure adequate supplies for the class.

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