Steve Burns Permaculture Practitioner

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***Whether you require site assessment, initial or completed designs, training or other services,***

***I look forward to working with you as you design your more sustainable life***

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| *David Holmgren*  *Permaculture co-founder* | Professional goals  1. Design and build beautiful edible landscapes that enable people to live healthier, happier and more sustainable lives through innovative & fun design.  2. Facilitate educational programs that empower participants to become increasingly independent and resilient through the study & implementation of permaculture and related skills & ideas |
| *Costa Georgiadis,*  *host of ABC “Gardening Australia”* | Key Qualifications:  Permaculture Design Course (2000 - David Holmgren)  Permaculture Design Course (2009 - Ballarat Permaculture Guild)  Certificate III in Permaculture (2011 - Accredited Permaculture Training)  Edible Forest Garden Design Intensive (2013 – Dave Jacke)  Bachelor of Arts (Psychology), Bachelor of Education, Diploma of Business  Current projects:  Trainer, Permaculture Design Courses (Creswick, Haddon & Geelong)  Community Festival Coordinator, 2014 Ballarat Begonia Festival (coordinating community group involvement, home-grown vegetable competition, live demonstrations and Master of Ceremonies for ‘landscape design’ presentations  Convenor: Ballarat Permaculture Guild (active community-based group)  Previous work:  Auditor and consultant to registered training organisations, specialist in competency-based training and assessment systems. Corporate trainer and facilitator with experience ranging from international companies & NGO’s to long-term unemployed, multiply disadvantaged young people. |
| Personal statement:  I practise permaculture on 8 acres in south eastern Australia. For me, it is important that permaculture designers and teachers are engaged with the practical side of permaculture on a daily basis, through implementing permaculture and modelling a sustainable lifestyle; I practise what I preach!    The motto of Chestnut Farm is “where beauty and productivity combine”. I love integrating the pragmatic, productive elements of permaculture with design approaches that celebrate beauty and form such as the French techniques of espaliering fruits & berries. These approaches are ideally suited to small urban sites. We can create stunning garden features that are highly productive, take up little space and feed the soul with their beauty.  My many years of professional training delivery, both in the private sector and within technical colleges, have developed my facilitation and training skills. I am comfortable as Master of Ceremonies, theory teacher or practical demonstrator. | |

*I can strongly recommend Steve as a permaculture teacher and facilitator able to give students… a strong connection to my lineage of permaculture teaching as well as broad and deep understanding of the history, diversity and lessons from the nearly 40 years of permaculture activism – David Holmgren(co-developer of Permaculture*