

SPRING PRACTICAL GARDENING COURSE – 12 weeks

Wednesday March 17th – 22nd June 2023 10 am - 2.30pm

PI – Plant ident / PT Plant Test

Wk	Date	Location am/pm	Subject – rough guide – we may juggle!
1	16th March	Beth Chatto Gardens	Introduction/ Organise Garden visits/ garden and nursery tour/seed sowing and Plant ident. PI1
2	23 rd March	Beth Chatto Gardens	Propagation by division /root cuttings.
3	30 th March	1 st Visit first student's garden. 2 nd “ “	Vegetable Garden – layout/prep/sowing. Pruning – Roses/Hydrangeas PT1
EASTER HOLS			
4	20th April	3 rd student's garden. 4 th “ “	Fruit Growing- Plant rasps. Lawn aerating, lawn seed sowing/ Chit Potatoes. Prick out seedlings. PI2
5	27th April	5 th student's garden. 6 th “ “	Planting and transplanting/staking. Plant lilies. Direct-sow seeds.
6	4 th May	Beth Chatto Gardens	Cuttings practical – tour of Polytunnels and gdns PT2
7	11 th May	7 th student's garden. 8 th “ “	Plant out potatoes/ / Lawn Care – feeding/mowing Compost making/ green manures / soil preparation PI3
8	18 th May	9 th student's garden. 10 th “ “	Cuttings / repeat seed sowing / hardening off plants
9	25 th May	Beth Chatto Gardens	Pond plants and pond maintenance PT3
10	8 th June	11 th student's garden 12 th “ “	Puddle planting and training climbers. Chelsea chop. PI4
HALF TERM			
11	15 th June	Beth Chatto Gardens	Planting up and feeding pot plants / Take cuttings from new growth of shrubs. PT4
12	22 nd June	13 th student's garden. 14 th “ “	Pruning – early Spring flowering shrubs. Prune evergreens. / Course review.