



GARDEN WEEK GROWS AND GROWS!

From 19 - 23 April, Perry Lakes Reserve in Floreat will be transformed from tranquil parkland to a bustling hub of activity featuring all things gardening and much more.

Open daily from 9.30am, the Show is growing in popularity with visitors treated to the best WA has to offer with all things gardening and outdoor living.

Bursting with colour, Garden Week will delight visitors with the huge array of roses, waterwise plants, trees, indoor and outdoor plants, herbs and vegies.

Rob Palmer, the ever-popular DIY expert from Better Homes and Gardens will be on the Total Eden Celebrity Stage from Thursday to Sunday to charm the crowds with his wit, humour and talent. Also on the Celebrity Stage will be Chris Ferreira and the team from Great Gardens who will be holding presentations with topics ranging from sustainability to how to grow your own produce.

Be the first in WA to see new rose releases including the 'Dreamlover', a beautiful lilac pink patio climber, and 'Our Honey Olivia', which possesses all the health, vigour and characteristics of the original Olivia Newton-John.

Trees and the important role they play in keeping Perth cool through the hot summers will also be key messages presented throughout the five day gardening event. Not only do trees bring alive a garden, but they help to keep it cool. On a summer day our roads and paving may reach a sweltering 45 – 60 degrees, while a shady patch under a tree might be as low as 17 degrees.

Garden Week 2012 will also see a collaboration between The Organic Growers Association of WA, Permaculture West, Community Gardening Groups and a number of Perth businesses, presenting the 'Sustainability Square'. The Square will see a range of guest speakers daily with topics such as composting, keeping live worms, waterwise gardens, native plants, growing your own produce and something on every gardeners list: how to improve Perth's poor sandy soils.

Perth's up and coming landscapers from Challenger TAFE and members of WALDA will create four stunning, yet functional outdoor sanctuary displays that will not only survive – but thrive, in Perth's changing climate conditions and our diminishing water supply.

The HMA/Yates Talking Garden Stage will give visitors the chance to learn and ask questions with Perth's best gardening experts.

The all-star line-up of talented chefs for Garden Week will be cooking a range of dishes from pizza to seafood, all complimented by fresh herbs, vegetables and fruit straight from the garden on an alfresco kitchen custom made by Ferguson Corporation.

Proudly supported by major sponsor Water Corporation, Garden Week 2012 will showcase beautiful garden displays, the latest in garden trends, specialist growers to talk to, new products, outdoor living and thousands of plants to buy and take home. There will also be a special focus on trees and roses and plenty of free entertainment and activities for the kids during school holidays.

Mark your calendar now for Garden Week 2012 and for more information visit www.gardenweek.com.au, join the mailing list or 'Like' Garden Week on Facebook.

Ticket prices: Adult - \$18 *Children – Free (16 years & under) **Concession - \$15
*When accompanied by an adult, **Senior card holders and aged pensioners

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