



# PRACTICAL HORTICULTURE



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- Introduction to Rural Skills
- Future Farmer

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- Livestock Health
- Livestock Management
- Practical Farming
- Fencing
- Small Block Owners
- Organic Horticulture
- Practical Horticulture

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- ATV/Motorbikes
- Tractors
- Fencing
- Chainsaws
- Animal Handling
- Growsafe/Approved Handler

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- Programme delivery
- Resources for sale

Many of our part-time courses are offered in conjunction with Telford Rural Polytechnic.

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## Interested?

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**Yes,** I am interested to know more about:

PART-TIME COURSES

FULL-TIME

Organics

Future Farmer

Practical Horticulture

Rural Skills

Agrichemicals

Fruit Production  
Cadetship

Livestock Management

Livestock Health

Fencing

Small Blockholders

Practical Farming

ATVs/Tractors

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This course is an introduction to the science and craft of gardening and horticultural production.

## Who Is This Course For?

- People looking to enter horticultural employment as growers, landscapers, or maintenance contractors.
- Keen gardeners wishing to improve their knowledge and understanding of plant production, growth and maintenance.

## What Will You Learn?

- The composition and basic properties of soil
- Composting
- Modification of soil to improve its suitability for plant growth
- Fertilisers and their influence on plant growth
- Identifying pests and diseases
- Plant structure and functions of different parts
- Plant propagation from seeds, cuttings, divisions etc
- Maintaining tools
- Safety with agrichemicals
- The botanical system used for naming plants
- Planting of bedding plants, herbaceous perennials, shrubs and trees
- Planting maintenance
- Pruning effectively and safely



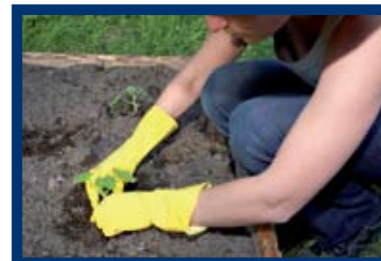
## Course Duration

The Practical Horticulture course is taught once a week for 30 weeks. After completing this course, students may choose to progress to Landscaping Level 3 or to Organic Horticulture Level 3 or 4. In addition to the tutorials, you will need to complete practical and theory assignments from home.

## What Will You Gain?

Completion of the Practical Horticulture course means students will achieve Unit Standards and will be eligible for a Level 2 National Certificate in Horticulture. You will also gain:

- A broad knowledge of basic horticulture
- An understanding of the main principles of successful plant growing and propagation
- Skills you can use in commercial horticulture or in the home garden
- Ongoing support and friendship
- An opportunity to visit other horticultural properties and observe them in operation



## What Qualification Can You Gain?

- Telford Certificate in Practical Horticulture
- National Certificate Horticulture (Introductory) Level 2

## Programme Delivery

Agriculture New Zealand part-time courses are interactive and fun. Our tutors have specialist knowledge and experience in a wide range of horticultural enterprises and use this knowledge to meet the needs of the students.

Our tutors facilitate excellent learning opportunities using a variety of techniques including:

- Interactive and stimulating tutorials
- Group discussions and learning
- Practical horticulture activities
- Case studies from real life situations
- Field trips
- Projects relevant to your areas of interest



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