



DIARY NOTE
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**Grow your mind at the
Adelaide ABC Gardening Australia Expo**

Complete with fresh new features and a brand new look the ABC Gardening Australia Expo will have the things you have grown to love and so much more in 2010. The first show of the year kicks off **March 6 – 8, 2010** at the **Adelaide Event & Exhibition Centre, Goyder Pavilion, Showground, Wayville**. Still encompassing the knowledge, know-how and interactive nature of previous shows the ABC Gardening Australia Expo extends its offering and brings you an array of new feature elements and areas. Seasoned green thumbs will be fuelled with fresh inspiration and budding gardeners will discover all the information they need to turn their brown thumbs green.

NEW **Discover something new**

New to the Expo the **Discovery Desk** will work to bring you the latest innovations in garden ideas. Here you will be able to see exhibitors give tips and tricks to make your garden bloom.

NEW **Small space solutions**

If you long to create your garden oasis but feel restricted by your lack of space then **Inner City Gardening** is for you. Brand new to the Expo this feature will show you how to create that green sanctuary in small spaces such as units, town houses, terraces and apartments using vertical gardens, easy care plants, innovative storage and integrated furniture.

NEW **Go organic**

Get in the know about all things organic at **The Organic Circle** where you'll see live stage demonstrations on the complete cycle of sustainable vegetable growing. Expert personalities from *ABC Gardening Australia* will be hosting presentations and three substations consisting of *Compost*, *Cultivate* and *Control* will create a visual demonstration of each process that comprises the organic cycle.

NEW

Get your hands dirty

Get involved in **The Potting Shed** as ABC expert personalities lead this interactive display that calls on the audience for hands-on participation. Here you will learn the fundamentals of key gardening skills such as propagating from seed, roots or cuttings; grafting; re-potting; tool maintenance and selection; pruning and transplanting.

NEW

Hop, wag, wiggle, creep

The new **Backyard Creatures** feature will provide information on how to best handle the variety of animals that co-exist in your garden. See how you can have animals such as bees and chickens turn your garden into something productive. Learn how you can attract the animals you want and discourage the creatures you don't want lurking in your garden.

NEW

An outdoor oasis

Be inspired to break down the boundaries between inside and outside and visit **The Outdoor Room**. Come and see ideas on how to create outdoor living and entertainment areas that blend seamlessly with kitchens and indoor living spaces. This is the must see feature for anyone who wants to create the ultimate outdoor room.

Indulge in a garden feast

The Cooking Stage is the perfect place to learn how to take the fruits (and vegies too!) of your garden labours to the table. Be inspired to whip up a feast from your own garden as chefs, cooking experts, famous culinary personalities and exhibitors show easy, hands-on cooking techniques that you can try at home.

Got a question?

Well we've got the answer! The **Ask It Solve It Stage** will provide an informal, intimate environment for visitors to have all those niggling garden questions answered. The Q&A panel style format will feature ABC TV's *Gardening Australia* program presenters as well as other industry experts ready and willing to tackle questions and give advice on specific plant care topics.

Something for the kids

Get the most out of the Expo by keeping the kids happy. Children will be kept entertained throughout the day with fun activities and daily appearances by popular characters from ABC for Kids TV programs. Take your time exploring each element of the Expo with the knowledge that the kids are also having fun in the **ABC for Kids Activity Area**.

Whether you're an experienced green thumb, an aspiring gardener or simply want to get inspired by interactive displays, educational presentations and entertaining features the Adelaide ABC Gardening Australia Expo has something for everyone. For more information visit www.abcgardeningexpo.com.au

Event Summary:

Event Name: Adelaide ABC Gardening Australia Expo
Date: March 6 – March 8, 2010
Event Time: Open daily 10am – 4:30pm
Location: Adelaide Event & Exhibition Centre, Goyder Pavilion, Showground, Wayville
Cost: Adults: \$13, Disability or Age Pensioner/Senior: \$11, Children 5-16yrs: \$5, Children under 5: FREE
Family tickets (2 adults and 2 children): \$29
All prices include GST. Ticket sales onsite cash only
Tickets available at the door or online at www.abcgardeningexpo.com.au
Groups: Pre-booked tickets are available for groups of 10 people or more at a discounted price. Call: 02 9452 7575
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