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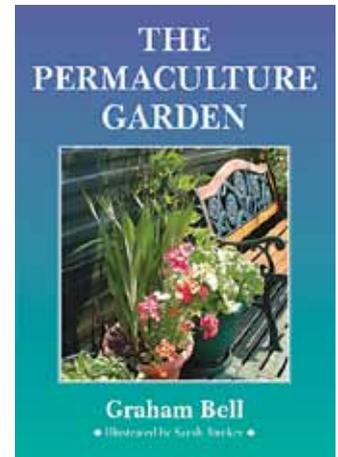
## The Permaculture Garden By Graham Bell

Permaculture is an approach to sustainable living that is spreading throughout the world. Working entirely in harmony with nature, *The Permaculture Garden* shows you how to turn a bare plot into a beautiful and productive garden. Learn how to plan your garden for easy access and minimum labour; save time and effort digging and weeding; recycle materials to save money; plan crop successions for year-round harvests; save energy and harvest water; and garden without chemicals by building up your soil and planting in beneficial communities.

Full of practical ideas for structures, children's areas and garden designs, this perennial classic, first published in 1994, is guaranteed to inspire, inform and entertain.

### Features include

- Great introductory text for gardeners wishing to explore permaculture in their own spaces;
- Plan your garden layout for easy access and minimum labour;
- Save yourself unnecessary chores - even digging and weeding;
- Save money by creating a beautiful garden in recycled containers; and
- Discourage pests and diseases-without using chemicals



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## What people are saying about PERMACULTURE GARDEN

A thought-provoking, informative, often entertaining book, filled with achievable ideas. I've used some of the techniques described with great success. This encourages you to see your garden as a whole and to mould its design around its unique features, and your own needs. Find out how to reduce your workload, save time and effort digging and weeding, site a greenhouse, harvest and use water well, build your soil, use space wisely, and grow food without using chemicals.

*Kitchen Garden Magazine*

The best book to date about all aspects of permaculture gardening in a cool climate.

*Maddy Harland, Editor, Permaculture Magazine*

Throughout the book there are lovely line illustrations by Sarah Bunker and many lists of useful plants that aren't confined to a boring appendix but are added into tables according to their uses or their favoured locations and dropped in throughout the text so that you're never overwhelmed with information. A lovely book for anyone new to permaculture who wants to focus on the gardening aspects of it, and for those already familiar with the principles who want a reference book to refer to for information or inspiration every once in a while.

*Emma Cooper, Blogger, author of The Alternative Kitchen Garden - An A-Z*

The Permaculture Garden is an excellent book about actually putting it all into practice in your back garden. It contains excellent species lists for useful plants for a wide range of situations. The first chapter is a kind of philosophical treatise on why to garden, and is littered with beautiful quotes from literature about the joy of gardening. This book is crammed with useful ideas.

*Rob Hopkins*

I wish this book had been published when I first started out gardening. It's a clear, concise and highly accessible introduction to permaculture as it applies to the garden. Bell is full of ideas how to think about, plan and execute sustainable garden ideas. The book includes lots of really useful tables of plant types for different purposes and environments. The book's illustrations are relevant and beautifully drawn.

*Carl Legge*

Giving insights into topics such as soil ecology, water management, composting and energy conservation, Graham gently explains that permaculture is a design system, based around ethics of caring for the earth and each other, and principles of using minimum effort for maximum results, seeing solutions instead of problems and above all, working with nature rather than against, as has been the pattern of most agricultural systems for the last few hundred years. More over, these ethics and principles can be applied to almost any other field of human activity beyond simply growing food; architecture and building to economic systems, forestry management to healthcare, energy production to community building.

*Graham Burnett*

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Graham Bell is the former editor of Permaculture News. He worked for the Prince's Trust and is now a freelance environmental consultant. He lives and works in the Scottish Borders, and is married with two children.

