



# THE RURAL CITY OF MURRAY BRIDGE SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION

## JUDGING CRITERIA

### LARGE GARDEN

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

Judges will evaluate gardens covering more than 1,200 square metres based on the positioning of displays, overall design, plant selection, and integration of seasonal displays with more permanent plantings. Maintenance of hard landscape features and sustainability in cultivation methods will also be assessed to determine the winner.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Suitability of design in relation to site and best use of space	20	
Choice of planting, variety of species, impact, range and diversity	10	
Quality of horticultural maintenance of trees, shrubs, herbaceous and seasonal planting	20	
Health and vigour and any associated pest/disease control	10	
Maintenance of paths, lawns (where appropriate) and any hard landscaping e.g., gravel areas, boundaries, driveways, pergolas	10	
Cleanliness – absence of litter, weeds and dog/cat fouling	10	
Methods of recycling of natural resources (compost) and minimising waste along with water conservation	10	
Planting schemes which achieve sustainability i.e., reduced use of water, energy conservation and approach to organic gardening	10	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>MOST IMPRESSED WITH</b>		
<b>AREAS WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED FOR IMPROVEMENT</b>		



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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### SMALL GARDEN

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Judges will assess the most appropriate positioning of displays, design approach, plant selection, and structure of the garden. Additionally, health and vigour of the plants, measures to reduce the need for watering, and sustainable cultivation methods will be considered to determine the winner.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Health and vigour – absence of pest and disease e.g., balanced feeding	20	
Design and suitability in relation to container and best use of space	10	
Choice of planting, variety of species, impact and range and diversity	15	
Impact – presentation, use of colour, texture and scent	20	
Horticultural maintenance including watering and dead-heading, absence of weeds	15	
Sustainable practices such as water collection, composting, and recycling.	20	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>MOST IMPRESSED WITH</b>		
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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### SENIOR'S GARDEN

NAME.....

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Judges will evaluate gardens on the positioning of displays, overall design, plant selection, and integration of seasonal displays with more permanent plantings. Maintenance of hard landscape features and sustainability in cultivation methods will also be assessed to determine the winner.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Health and vigour – absence of pest and disease e.g., balanced feeding	20	
Design and suitability in relation to container and best use of space	10	
Choice of planting, variety of species, impact, range and diversity	15	
Impact – presentation, use of colour, texture and scent	20	
Horticultural maintenance including watering and dead-heading, absence of weeds	15	
Planting schemes which achieve sustainability i.e., reduced use of water, energy conservation and approach to organic gardening	20	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>MOST IMPRESSED WITH</b>		
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# THE RURAL CITY OF MURRAY BRIDGE SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION

## JUDGING CRITERIA

### EDIBLE GARDEN

NAME.....

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Judges should look at the cleanliness, fertility, cropping practices, good use of space and the variety of crop. Judges should also consider health and vigour along with measure to reduce the need for watering und sustainable cultivation methods. Judges will assess the overall appearance and presentation of the entry.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Tidy Layout	10	
Need to see a good variety and range of crops	15	
There should be no perennial weeds and area should be substantially free from annual weeds	10	
Crops must not have been left to go past their prime (unless it is made clear they are being left for seed production)	10	
Plants should not be showing signs of deficiency and have been correctly fed and watered	15	
Correct maintenance of plants, appropriate to their type	10	
Evidence of a compost bin/heap recycling green waste from garden	10	
Water conservation – this will include mulching and evidentc of ue of organic pest control rather than chemical	20	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>MOST IMPRESSED WITH</b>		
<b>AREAS WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED FOR IMPROVEMENT</b>		

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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### COMMUNITY GARDEN

NAME.....

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Judges should look at the cleanliness, fertility, cropping practices, good use of space and the variety of crop. Judges should also consider health and vigour along with measure to reduce the need for watering und sustainable cultivation methods. Judges will assess the overall appearance and presentation of the entry.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Tidy Layout with good variety and range of crops	25	
There should be no perennial weeds and area should be substantially free from annual weeds	10	
Crops must not have been left to go past their prime (unless it is made clear they are being left for seed production)	10	
Plants should not be showing signs of deficiency and have been correctly fed and watered	15	
Working together – projects that show cross residents / volunteers supporting each other with a common aim	10	
Correct maintenance of plants, appropriate to their type	10	
Evidence of a compost bin/heap recycling green waste from garden	10	
Sustainable practices such as water collection, composting, and recycling.	10	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>MOST IMPRESSED WITH</b>		
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# THE RURAL CITY OF MURRAY BRIDGE SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION

## JUDGING CRITERIA

### BUSINESS GARDEN

NAME.....

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Judges will evaluate gardens covering more than 1,200 square metres based on the positioning of displays, overall design, plant selection, and integration of seasonal displays with more permanent plantings. Maintenance of hard landscape features and sustainability in cultivation methods will also be assessed to determine the winner.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Suitability of design in relation to site and best use of space	20	
Choice of planting, variety of species, impact, range and diversity	20	
Horticultural maintenance of trees, shrubs, herbaceous and seasonal planting	20	
Health and vigour and any associated pest/disease control	20	
Maintenance of paths, lawns (where appropriate) and any outdoor seating, hard landscaping e.g., gravel areas	10	
Sustainable practices such as water collection, composting, and recycling.	10	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### SCHOOL GARDEN

NAME.....

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Judges should look at the cleanliness, fertility, cropping practices, good use of space and the variety of crop. Judges should also consider health and vigour along with measure to reduce the need for watering and sustainable cultivation methods. Judges will assess the overall appearance and presentation of the entry.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Evidence the garden is used for learning and pupils are involved in the upkeep of the garden as part of their learning	20	
Good choice of plants – variety colour, species etc.	10	
Health and vigour – absence of pest and disease e.g. balanced feeding	20	
Design, decorations and suitability in relation to container and best use of space, evidence of pupil involvement in the planning, planting and maintenance	10	
Horticultural maintenance including watering and dead-heading, absence of weeds	15	
Plants have been correctly fed and watered, quality, health, vigour and appropriateness of plants	15	
Sustainable practices such as water collection, composting, and recycling	10	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### SUSTAINABLE GARDEN

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Judges should look at the cleanliness, fertility, cropping practices, good use of space and the variety of crop. Judges should also consider health and vigour along with measure to reduce the need for watering und sustainable cultivation methods. Judges will assess the overall appearance and presentation of the entry.

CRITERIA	POINTS	SCORE
Good choice of local species	20	
Evidence of use of organic pest control rather than chemical	10	
Encouraging wildlife (providing a habitat or food source for local native fauna), use of native and local plant species and free of declared or environmental weeds	20	
Plants should not be showing signs of deficiency and have been correctly fed and watered	10	
Evidence of a compost bin/heap recycling green waste from garden	15	
Sustainable practices such as water collection, composting, and recycling	10	
Minimising water use, moisture retention strategies, recycling and reuse	15	
<b>TOTAL POINTS AWARD</b>	<b>100</b>	
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