



learning the good life

at willow studios, home farm, vic

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Like the Spring, I am off to a late start. I have spent the winter months in Australia, from whence I hail, with my darling parents and antipodean family. So good to have spent some extended time, as my mother says, in the same time zone.

This year my scheduled workshops form a more slender frame. In addition I continue to offer tailor made workshops as I did last year, as they were very popular. After seven years of running courses I have a magnificent group of tutors who cover many subjects. Your imagination is your only limitation.

Last year, with the fledging of the twins, I started bed and breakfast. It is well patronised with many staying for workshops, and others for celebrations, reunions, weddings and holidays. We have made lots of new friends.

Come to a workshop, or to stay a while. Why not have your wedding party here, and grow your own flowers in a cutting garden workshop and arrange them in the celebratory flowers workshop. I am very happy to try and accommodate all your ideas. I really look forward to having you here this year.

Victoria

Random Weave with Willow Birds - Part One

Date: Thursday 11th May 2013

Tutor: Alison Walling

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £85 includes refreshments, lunch, materials, and your birds

Location: Home Farm House



Random Weave is weaving in freeform using willows to build up a basic framework which you then cover with weave using basic willow weaving techniques. This year we have planned a three part course of random weaving. [Find out more...](#)

Bulb Forcing Workshop

Date: Friday, 13th September

Time: 10am - 4pm

Tutor: Rachel Petheram

Cost: £65 refreshments, resource notes, forcing bulbs.

Location: Home Farm House

This is the time of year when we begin to think about the coming winter season and about preparing bulbs for forcing for the festive season and to cheer things up in the darker months. [Find out more...](#)

Random Weave with Willow

Sheep - part 2

Date: Saturday 14th September

Tutor: Alison Walling

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £95 includes refreshments, lunch and animal.

Location: Home Farm House

Cheese Making - soft cheese, butter and yoghurt

Date: Tuesday 14th May

Tutor: Julie Cheyney

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £130 includes refreshments, lunch, resource notes and recipes, and the fruits of your labour

Location: Home Farm House



Soft cheese, butter and yoghurt are kitchen staples and very simple to make at home. [Find out more...](#)



In this willow weaving workshop you will weave a four legged animal using the random weave technique. [Find out more...](#)

The Healing Garden - planning a herb garden

Date: Saturday 8th June

Tutor: Trudy Norris

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £65 includes refreshments, lunch, course notes

Location: Home Farm House



You may already have a patch for herbs but want broaden your herb horizon, or you may be starting from scratch. [Find out more...](#)

Creating a Cutting Garden

Date: Saturday 21st September

Tutor: Rachel Petheram

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £95 refreshments, lunch, notes and goody bag

Location: Home Farm House



Rachel returns to run this inspiring workshop. Autumn is the perfect time to plan a cutting patch or garden for next season. [Find out more...](#)

The Art of Breadmaking - hands on workshop

Date: Thursday 13th June

Tutor: Linda Hewett

Time: 10am - 3.30pm

Cost: £95 includes refreshments, lunch, and bread

Location: Home Farm House

The Art of Creative Pruning

Date: Saturday 28th September

Tutor: Jake Hobson

Time: 10am - 2pm

Cost: £45

Location: Home Farm House

Flowers to Celebrate - learn to create globes, garlands, swags and more

Date: Friday 21st June

Tutor: Rachel Petheram

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £150 refreshments, lunch and flowers.

Location: Home Farm House



In this really fabulous workshop Rachel returns to show you how you can decorate the house, church, marquee or outdoor building with flowers for this summer's celebration. [Find out more...](#)

The Art of Breadmaking - sourdough

Date: Thursday 12th September

Tutor: Linda Hewitt

Time: 10.00am - 3.30pm

Cost: £95 includes refreshments, lunch and bread

Location: Home Farm House

Jake developed his fascination for Japanese tree pruning into his distinctive naturalistic east-meets-west, free-form pruning style. [Find out more...](#)

Random Willow Weaving

Bowl - part 3

Date: Saturday 28th September

Tutor: Alison Walling

Time: 10am - 4pm

Cost: £85 refreshments, lunch, materials and bowl

Location: Home Farm House



In this last of the random weaving workshop you will use the technique to weave a shallow platter or bowl, which could be utilised as a light shade too. [Find out more...](#)

Tailor made workshops, courses or lectures

...to fit your bill. If you would like a tailor made workshop we have a great bank of tutors and workshops to draw from.

For over 7 years we have run workshops covering subjects including the garden, kitchen, rural crafts and skills, arts and crafts and sustainable living creating a fabulous range of workshops and tutors. Just give me a call and I can design something to



In this hands on workshop, unlock the secret of sourdough and you'll never need to buy yeast again.

[Find out more...](#)

[suit your requirements.](#) Click here for more detail...

Treat Yourself - in Tuscany

If you like idea of taking a creative, cultural or simply relaxing break in southern Tuscany, my dear friend Ann Alexander is just the person to help you. We met last year in Montisi and she certainly added to the magic.



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