



# GARDENING

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# JUNIOR



# Kids and their families are invited to explore the wondrous world of gardening

Packed with tips, tricks and activities that all kids will dig, *Gardening Australia Junior* stars keen junior gardeners who tackle a fun new project each episode.

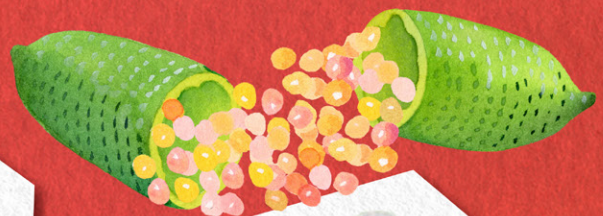
From constructing a compost cauldron to building a bee hotel and growing a rainbow veggie patch, there's plenty on offer for viewers to replicate at home.

Making it as relatable as possible, *Gardening Australia Junior* covers all manner of gardens, from the luxurious open country to the smallest balcony gardens – wherever something grows.

The series also includes a vital First Nations voice through a collaboration with Aboriginal-led horticultural organisation Wildflower, and Cudgenburra/Bunjalung man Clarence Slockee. Clarence leads the young green thumbs in a Native Garden segment.

Across the series, *Gardening Australia Junior* aims to inspire kids and families to roll up their sleeves and get out into the beauty and hard work of the garden.

Original music for the program is composed by Lachlan Nicholson, led by music consultant Joff Bush – who also makes music for hit series *Bluey!*



20 x 15'  
Australian Broadcasting Corporation  
Format available

# Media

'Super informative for gardeners of all ages and a true delight'

– The West Australian

'Bright, ever cheerful... filled with joie de vivre and handy hints'

– The Sydney Morning Herald

'Aimed at kids, with loads of fun activities – but there's enough for grown-ups too'

– TV Week

'Patiently and enthusiastically explains the ins and outs of composting in the sort of fun and informative way that curious children will appreciate'

– The Sunday Mail



# Audience Reactions

‘Loving it. My granddaughter is so keen to try all the suggestions’

– Susan

‘Thank you for this! We loved it’

– Priscilla

‘Love the imaginative process’

– Sharon

‘My 4-year-old loves *Gardening Australia Junior*. It’s a highlight of their week.’

– Tania

‘This is by far the best program to be on ABC Kids!’

– Ange

‘My 10-year-old daughter loves this show!’

– Tracey

‘Mr (almost) 8 and Mr 3 love the show! They are always motivated to get out amongst our fruit trees and veggie beds after watching’

– Jurene

‘My kids are already addicted! This is a fabulous show.’

– Sheena

‘We love #GardeningAustraliaJr. We’ve had a lovely weekend making a butterfly cafe along with some signs to help the butterflies find us. What a beautiful idea and show!’

– Maura

‘My 4-year-old and 2-year-old daughters were very inspired by the butterfly cafe episode. So today we made our own butterfly cafe for our courtyard garden... Now just waiting for our first butterfly customers!’

– Lesley



# Director's Statement

Kids love being entertained, being creative and of course... eating good food. Connecting these experiences with gardening was a must when we started developing *Gardening Australia Junior*. Gardening offers such a massive space to develop content from so our aim was to really make it smaller and more compatible with kids who were just starting to learn about nature and develop hobbies as well as combining a deep passion for plants.

Keeping all the episodes fun, adventure-themed and with a general sense of wonder was always at the front of our brain when creating for the series. Through the vibrant colours, beautiful landscapes and breathtaking cinematography, we've made an exciting series fit for all types of budding gardeners; kids, parents, grandparents... and will keep them coming back for more.

– Kimberley Melville



# Diversity and Inclusion

A commitment to diversity, inclusion and representation informed all decision making on *Gardening Australia Junior*.

The adult presenters include Costa Georgiadis, a second generation Australian of Greek descent, Clarence Slockee, a Cudgenburra/Bundjalung man and Tammy Huynh, a second generation Australian of Vietnamese descent.

The main cast of junior gardeners come from different parts of Australia and have heritage that includes Indigenous, Ghanaian, Thai, Japanese and Macedonian. Additionally, user generated content is threaded throughout many episodes and features children living in rural, remote, city and suburban areas.



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