Learn how we can live more sustainably, grow food intensively and strengthen the resilience of our communities using permaculture design.

This immersive 10-day course is organised by Cultivate, accredited by the UK Permaculture Association and held in Cloughjordan Ecovillage, County Tipperary. Cloughjordan Ecovillage is one of Ireland’s leading examples of an ecosystem of innovation: including over 50 homes with community woodlands, renewable energy, an amphitheatre, wood-fired bakery, research gardens, a community farm & our permaculture course centre - WeCreate Workspace and FabLab.

The permaculture design course has become one of the benchmark accredited courses in sustainability and, as such, is an essential part of the toolkit of real and practical ways to face the difficult challenges of our times.

Learn practical skills for horticulture, green building, agro-ecology, local enterprise, perma-facture and community resilience.

Whether your interest is in designing a homestead, creating a livelihood, business or a sustainable community, the principles of permaculture and regenerative design can be applied.

Price includes dinner on arrival & wholesome, hearty lunches each day. No prior knowledge of permaculture is necessary for this course.

Special guests join our resident experts each year - in 2019 we will have:

Albert Bates - acclaimed ecology author and founder of the Ecovillage Training Centre at The Farm (USA)
Hannah Mole - pioneering teacher and designer with extensive experience across Ireland - see EarthCare.ie
Féidhlim Harty - wetland & reed bed specialist & author of Permaculture Guide to Reed Beds
Aranya - a leading UK teacher, designer and author of Permaculture Design: A Step-by-Step Guide

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Accommodation:
Options range from-
- basic camping onsite (compost toilet and shower available)
- budget rooms and accommodation at Django’s Hostel
- B&B with residents at the Ecovillage.

Camping/Campervan
9 nights - €45
Django’s Hostel dorm bed 9 nights €165
Range of B&B options varying in prices

This hands-on course includes focused sessions on:
- natural building
- local economics
- forest gardening
- ponds and aquaculture
- perma-facture
- ecovillage and bioregional design
- sustainable horticulture & agriculture
- resilience
- social permaculture
- permaculture kitchen
- food security and much more

Featuring local permaculture teachers:

- **Davie Philip** - leading social permaculturist one of the catalysts of Transition Towns & manages Cultivate’s Community Resilience programme.
- **Ben Whelan** - perma-facture & forest garden expert, a Cultivate founder, and focused on green uses for open source hardware & digital fabrication.
- **Bruce Darrell** - specialist in horticulture and food security, hosts a YouTube channel on the Research Education Development (RED) Gardens.
- **Eileen Flanagan** - brings professional experience in water management systems & natural building and self-built a circular cob home the Ecovillage.
- **Kevin Dudley** - producer on Cloughjordan Community Farm, community supported farming expert & orchard curator at Irish Seed Savers for 10 yrs.
- **Devyn Olson-Sawyer** - brings keen interest in food issues & passion for combining delicious ingredients & culinary skills to Permaculture Kitchen.

Booking:
To book a place or for more information contact Philippa or Aaron on 0505 56060 or pdc@cultivate.ie

“This course was a wonderful opening into a world where many people are taking action in a holistic way to address the challenges our world is facing in a positive, practical way.” - Deirdre Kelly, 2018

“A great opportunity to work with inspiring people in an incredible setting to learn valuable and under-appreciated skills.” - Isabelle O’Kane, 2016