

SAMPLE SHEDULE – 2012 dates

Classes and Fieldtrips for Farm and Garden Apprentices

April

- April 11 (Wed) – Apprentices Arrive! Dinner together (small dining room) rehearse for opening ceremony 6:45pm in Zendo
- April 12 (Thurs) – opening ceremony in Zendo during am service
- April 12 (Thurs) – orientation to GGF and Apprenticeship Programs with Farm and Garden Managers
- April 13 (Fri) – Hand cultivation techniques with the Farm Manager
- April 15 (Sun) – Zendo jobs orientation with the Ino 4pm
- April 17 (Tues) – Sowing and greenhouse practices with the Farm Manager (10:30am)
- April 26 (Thurs) – Sowing/planting planning with the Farm Manager
- April 26 (Thurs) – Watershed Walk with the Land Steward (4pm)
- April 27 (Fri) – Apprentices off after lunch
- April 28 (Sat) – Half-day sitting (all apprentices sit)
- April 29 (Sun) – Buddha's Birthday; everyone enjoys and helps!

May

- Early May – Tea with the Abiding Abbess and the Tanto
- May 3 (Thurs) – East Bay Fieldtrip to Edible Schoolyard and Alameda Point Collaborative (leave by 7:15am)
- May 5 & 6 (Sat & Sun) – Plant sale 11am-4pm
- May 7 (Mon) – Introduction to Tea Ceremony with the Head of the Tea Program 3pm (off at 2:30pm)
- May 12 (Sat) – One-day sitting
- May 21 (Mon) – Bee class with Green Gulch's Beekeeper (1:30-4:30pm)
- May 28 (Mon) – Soil science with guest teacher (1:30-4:30pm)

June

- June 2 (Sat) – One-day sitting (some apprentices sit/some work)
- June 7 (Thurs) – On-farm Variety Trials with Farm Manager
- June 12 (Tues) – Compost Class with Farm Manager
- June 13 – Tea with Farm Elder (3:30-5pm)
- June 24 (Sun) – Ecology Action Fieldtrip (Willits, CA) 9am-3pm

July

- **July 1 (Sun) – OAEC fieldtrip, 10am**
- July 7 (Sat) – One-day sitting (some apprentices sit/some work)
- July 17 (Tues) – Organic Certification with Farm Manager
- July 24 or 31 (Tues) – Fruit tree pruning with Garden Manager (pm)
- July 29 (Sun) – Counting and marketing produce with the Farm Marketer

August

- **August 8 (Wed) – Fieldtrip to UCSC**
- **August 9 (Thurs) – Tea with Farm Elder (3:30-5pm)**
- August 13 (Mon) – Aesthetic Pruning with Guest Teacher (1:30pm)
- Farm finances with the Farm Manger
- Farm Machinery with Farm Manager
- Farm walk and class with a guest teacher

September

- Irrigation techniques with Farm Manager
- Sept 22 (Sat) – One-day sitting (some sit/some work)
- Fieldtrip to IVC and West Marin Compost
- GGF Harvest Dinner and Dance

October

- Oct 6 & 7 (Sat & Sun) Hoes Down @ Full Belly Farm