

Episode One: Go West



Introducing new show and a new host, Meg West! Meg continues the legacy of the Garden Wise Guys by educating the residents of Santa Barbara County about sustainable landscaping and water conservation. In this episode, Meg introduces herself to the viewers by showing us the “greening practices” she has undertaken in her own home. In addition, learn about firewise landscape design, those pesky little parkways, the amazing Manzanita and the beautiful Jacaranda.

In this premier episode of Garden Wise host Meg West, landscape architect with Arcadia Studio, described:

The environmentally conscious practices she employs in her own home, ranging from growing her own food and watering fruit trees with a graywater system to harvesting homegrown worm castings and honey.

A new segment called Plant Rant, this episode featuring the Manzanita, a versatile plant, which comes in the form of trees, shrubs or even ground cover, is drought tolerant, green year-round and has berries that provide food for wildlife.



Meet the host



Meg shows worm castings at home

One designer’s approach to replacing lawn in the parkway, featuring landscape architect Robert Adams, who removed the grass in his parkway and replaced it with a couple of low-water-using trees and decomposed granite, showcasing the view of his front yard’s succulent garden.

The inner workings of concept and design for a new landscape at a rebuilt Tea Fire home, as viewers listen in on Meg West’s conversations with the homeowners about development of the landscape plans and plant selection.

Another new segment, this one called What Tree is That, with landscape architect Bob Cunningham telling viewers about the jacaranda, a flowering tree that showers the City of Santa Barbara in color in late spring and in some areas into fall.

Meg West reminded viewers to call 564-5311 with questions or for suggestions.



Meg discusses landscape plans with owners