**Gardening opportunities in Kensington**

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| **Community garden** | **Description and contact** |
| **Arden St Garden** 321 Arden St Kensington | Small open street garden beds for people to help grow, manage and harvest. To get involved contact Jacqui Van Heerden on jacquivanheerden@gmail.com |
| **Davis Street Garden**near Parsons Reserve, Kensington | Small open street garden managed by local community volunteers. If you’re interested in becoming involved in renewing this space please contact City of Melbourne’s Kensington Neighbourhood Partner on meldel@melbourne.vic.gov.au |
| **Eastwood St Community Garden**near cnr Chelmsford St, Kensington | Open street garden designed with permaculture principles for people to help grow, manage and harvest. To find out more contact Jacqui Van Heerden jacquivanheerden@gmail.com |
| **Kensington Food Forest** near 70 Derby St, Kensington | Open food garden managed by team of volunteers – primarily created for people living on the Kensington Housing estate. To volunteer contact Jacqui Van Heerden on jacquivanheerden@gmail.com |
| **Kensington Stockyard Food Garden**cnr of Bluestone and Serong Sts, Kensington | Productive food garden with communal plots. Become a member to get involved in caring for and harvesting produce to share. Open 9-11am every Sunday. For more information email: kenstockyardfoodgardeninc@gmail.com |
| **McCracken St Food Share Garden,** 76 McCracken St, Kensington | Open community garden with raised garden beds growing herbs and vegetables with opportunities to help grow, manage and harvest. To get involved contact Kensington Neighbourhood  House on 9376 6366 or info@kenhouse.org.au   |
| **The Venny – Urban Food Farm**85 Kensington Rd, Kensington | Garden plots growing food to share with broader Kensington community especially children and families visiting The Venny. To volunteer and find out more contact Jacqui Van Heerden on jacquivanheerden@gmail.com |
| **Kensington Community Garden,** 118-128Westbourne St Kensington | This garden has individual plots and currently only open to existing members. Its structure is currently under review. |
| **Other gardening programs and opportunities** |
| **Sensory garden****Kensington Neighbourhood Centre** | This garden has been created for local people, including people living with dementia and their carers, to come together for a weekly gardening and social group. Free weekly programmed activity. To book contact City of Melbourne’s Healthy Ageing team on 9658 9190 or healthyageing@melbourne.vic.gov.au |
| **Or create a new street garden** | Street gardens are located on small areas of public land such as nature strips and median strips. They are planted and maintained by community members for food or ornamental purposes. If you’re interested in starting a street garden visit [City of Melbourne Street Garden Guidelines](https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/residents/home-neighbourhood/gardens-and-green-spaces/Pages/street-garden-guidelines.aspx) or [www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/residents/home-neighbourhood/gardens-and-green-spaces/Pages/street-garden-guidelines.aspx](http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/residents/home-neighbourhood/gardens-and-green-spaces/Pages/street-garden-guidelines.aspx)  |
| **Gardens for Wildlife** | Gardens for Wildlife supports community to provide an area of habitat for local wildlife. Whether you have a big backyard, small courtyard, or balcony our free program matches you with a trained volunteer to provide advice to help green and transform your space. Afterwards you can join our network of wildlife gardeners or become involved as a volunteer. For more information visit [www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/greening-the-city/urban-nature/gardens-wildlife/Pages/gardens-for-wildlife.aspx](http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/community/greening-the-city/urban-nature/gardens-wildlife/Pages/gardens-for-wildlife.aspx) |
| **Kensington Community Fresh Food market** | Monthly community market sharing locally grown produce, from 10am – 12pm, first Saturday of the month (Jan 7, Feb 4, March 4 2023), Skinny Park Bellair Reserve. |