



## **Sprout Community Garden Market – Stall application & guidelines**



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**First Thursday of each Month from 3 - 7pm  
(closed for winter & Jan/Feb)**

**Market runs rain, hail or shine...**

### **About the market**

Sprout Market is a local community market at the Sprout Community Gardens site – corner of Clapham and Watt Sts in Thornbury – (next to Thornbury train station). The market sells organically grown fresh produce, seedlings, fresh and dried herbs, and (in the future) seeds from our gardens, as well as preserved foods, crafts made on site and music. The market also provides a place for locally produced food, crafts and other products and services to be sold and exchanged to help connect the local community.

All fresh produce at the market will have travelled very little distance to get to market, being grown in the Sprout Gardens and in local backyards (all fresh produce will be from within 100miles (approx 161kms). Crafts and arts will be made as part of the recovery programs onsite, and for all outside stalls a preference will be given to items of local production, hand-made, recycled, second hand, and sustainable in nature. There will also be food, music and kids activities and a community stall for local backyard growers to sell their surplus home produce.

The market aims to be rubbish free – composting is available on site. Please bring your own bags or purchase Sprout made reusable cotton bags available on the day and take away your own non-biodegradable rubbish.

### **About Sprout**

Sprout is a recovery focused program of Mind that promotes mental and physical well-being and supports those at risk of homelessness. Through supporting recovery, the service provides people with opportunities to develop personal, interpersonal and vocational skills through a range of horticulture and enterprise activities with a sustainable and creative focus.

Sprout runs programs in the following areas: Garden; Kitchen, Workshop, Market and Office. The market has a variety of stalls and music and forms an outlet for what is being produced on site, whilst offering stalls to vendors from the wider community – encouraging local community strength, connection and community enterprise.

We'd love people to come and support the market - either by having a stall, volunteering on the day or with preparation, helping out in the gardens and workshops or just coming along to the market!

### **Get involved....**

For more information or a chat – call Sprout: 9484-5565

or email [zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au](mailto:zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au)

Zanni – Market coordinator on 0424029180

Or come down and visit -- Open Gate and sales every Thursday 1-4pm



## Stall Information and Guidelines

### The Market

Stalls (products and services) will have a local, sustainable and ethical focus. No franchises, mass produced, highly packaged or imported items please. We produce our own fresh produce and seedlings – so if you want to sell plants or plant products you must contact us prior to the market and let us know what you are bringing.

The market is waste and plastic bag free – there are composting facilities on site, but please take home non-recyclable rubbish with you. Reusable bags will be available for sale or bring your own.

The market goes ahead, rain, hail or shine – with an undercover hall across the road that will be used for extreme wet weather and winter months.

### Products and produce

All fresh produce will be organically grown on site, or from local back yards and trees within 100 miles of Sprout. *Please note:* If you are planning on bringing fresh produce, you **must** contact the market co-ordinator before the market to ensure you aren't duplicating Sprout produce.

All fresh and prepared food sold at the market must be in biodegradable packaging as all scraps will be composted on site. Please - no plastics (utensils, bags, etc). Food stalls will require a City of Darebin Health Department Permit. Sprout allocates stalls on a first in best dressed basis. Sprout reserves the right to turn away any stallholders it deems are not in line with Sprouts objectives and philosophies at our discretion. Priority will be given to stalls of participants from within Sprout and Mind programs, and in order to get a diverse mix of stalls we will limit the number of particular stall types.

### Market times/ dates/ location

Sprout Community market is held in Sprout Community Gardens - cnr Clapham and Watt Sts in Thornbury (Mel ref 30F4). Markets run on the first Thursday of each month from **3 - 7pm**. 2010 dates are: March 4<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> and Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Stall costs and arrangements.

**Sites** – Sites are approx 1.8mx1.2m (trestle table & chair size). There are a few half-sites (card table size) that will be offered at the concession rate. Stall sites can be chosen and paid for in advance – no refunds on any stall payments. **Please note:** Where possible we will give you your preferred stall site, but reserve the right to move sites on the day due to changed conditions. Sites do not include tables, chairs or shelter – please bring these items yourself. *Please note: There is no access to power except for food stalls who have arranged power access prior to the day. Power to food stalls will cost \$5.*

**Costs** – **Please note stall cost increase** Stalls sites are \$25 each (\$20 concession), to be paid prior to the market (to book specific sites and guarantee a place) or on the morning to the Market co-ordinator. Program participants can negotiate stall costs with the market co-ordinator. Paying prior to the market guarantees you a stall – if you turn up on the day there is some chance you may be turned away due to limited stall sites and high demand. There are some roles with set up/ pack up of market that can be exchanged for partial stall costs – please let us know if you are interested in this several weeks before the market.

**Community Stall** - There will be one community table for local surplus produce – to be shared by any who wants to bring in local produce to give away or exchange – please make contact 1-2 weeks before the event to book a place on the community stall and ensure you aren't duplicating Sprout produce.

**Set up/ Pack up** – Please set up between 1.30pm - 2.30pm (no earlier or later please) and aim to pack up no earlier than 6.30pm and no later than 7.30pm. No vehicles or trailers are allowed on site but there will be wheelbarrows that can be used to bring items in. If you have booked but not paid for a stall and are not on site (or have not called to make arrangements) by 2pm sites will be offered to casual stallholders.

For bookings or any other enquiries, please contact

Zanni (Market Co-ordinator) on 9484-5565 or 0424029180 or [zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au](mailto:zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au)

If you have locally grown surplus produce please let us know (for collection if you need it) or bring it down to share or sell.

# Sprout Community Market Stallholder Application Form

**Name:**

**Market Stall title (if any):**

**Address & postcode:**

**Phone:**

**Mobile:**

**Email/ website:**

**Preferred method of contact:**

**Are you interested in being part of the quarterly market reference group?** Yes / No

**Description of products/ services** (feel free to give examples, make a time to bring samples in or to provide photos of products):

**Production details/ where and whom made by:**

**Items must be at least one of the below:**

Fresh Produce and food:

- locally grown (within 100 miles)
- organically grown/ chemical free (within 100 miles)
- certified organic/ biodynamic (within 100 miles)
- locally made food

Other items

- Hand made locally (in Victoria)
- Recycled
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand
- Australian made and environmentally sound (give details)

**Other information:**

**Food vendors only.**

Description of foods for sale (menu and pricing). No drinks to be sold without prior arrangement with Market co-ordinator:

Food vendors must have food safety program lodged with council prior to event, and attach copies/ proof of registration to application. All food to be served on *fully* biodegradable materials as the market is aiming to be waste free and scraps will be composted on site. Please provide details of your packaging/ serving materials.

**I would like (please circle):**

A stall at these market(s): 2010 - March 4<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>.

1 standard site (1.8 x 1.2) \$25 / \$20 conc  
(Or negotiated rate for program participants)

1 small site (half size) \$20/15 conc  
(Or negotiated rate for program participants)

Extra standard adjoining site (if available - there are a limited number) \$20

Power (for food stall – bring own power leads) \$ 5

Place on Community stall - free for exchange, negotiated for sales

**Total =**

Allocation of stalls and specific sites is at the discretion of the Sprout Market Co-ordinator.

I have read the information on the Sprout Community Market guidelines and agree to comply with these parameters. I note that Sprout encourages stallholders to take out their own insurance.

Applicants name:

Applicant's signature:

Date:

Any cheques to be made out to: **Mind Australia**

Please return to:

Sprout Community Gardens

PO Box 1599, Preston South 3072 or [zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au](mailto:zwaldstein@mindaustralia.org.au)