



**Our Park,
Our Place.**

**Verge
Design
Workbook**

**Using native vegetation to
bring your verge to life**



How to use this book...



Draw in it...



Personalise it...

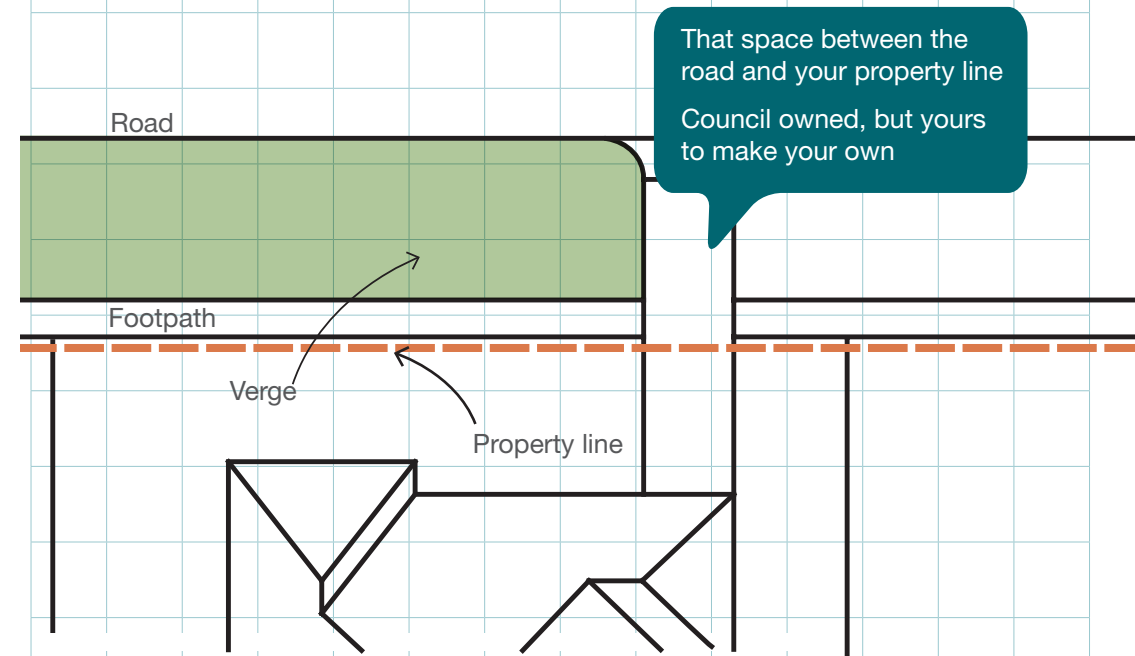


Learn the steps to design through questioning, prompts, and sketching...



Use it as guide...

What is a verge garden?



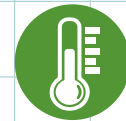
Why create a verge garden?



Improved amenity



Biodiversity



Cool neighbourhoods



Property value

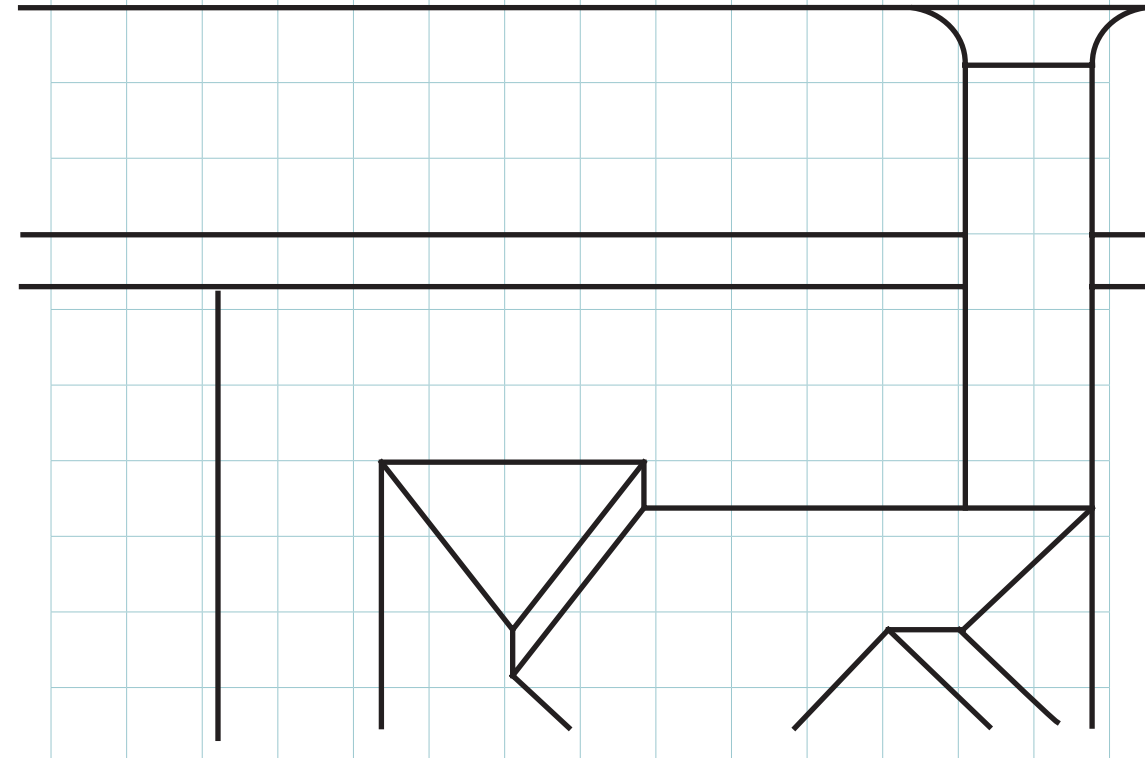
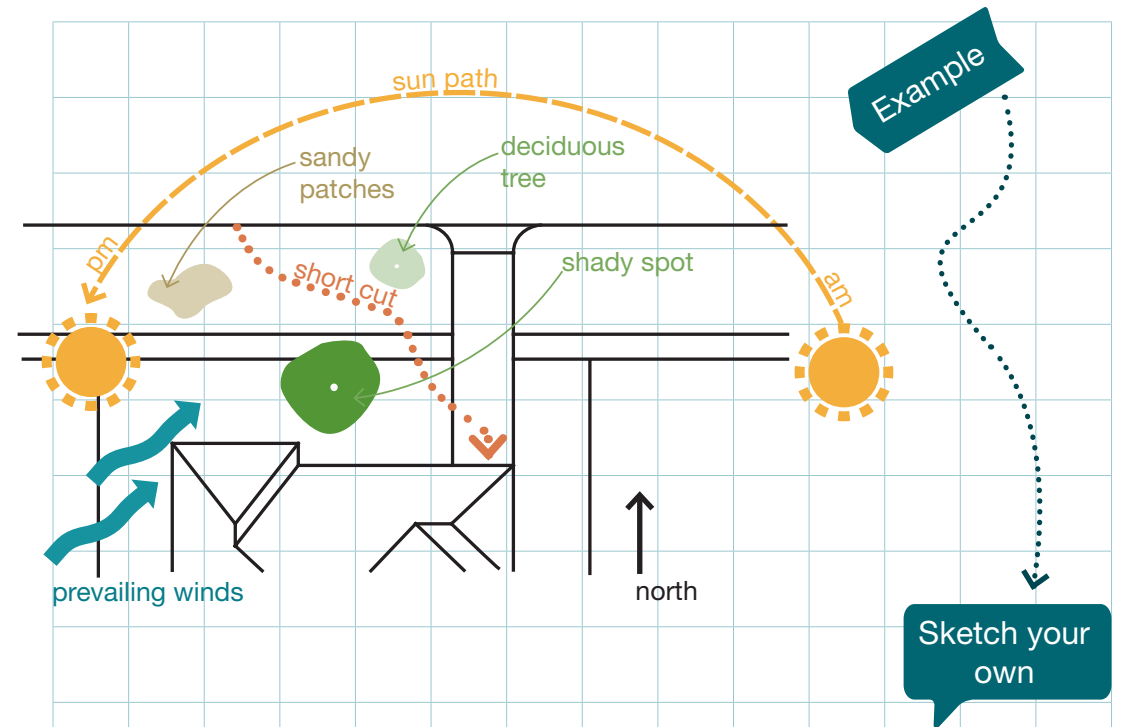
Observe



90% of science is observation

Ask yourself the below Q's + annotate them on the opposite page

- Which way is north?
- How do people use the space?
- What is currently there?
- Are there any trees, grass?
- How are they growing, is it healthy?
- Is it windy?
- What do I like / dislike about the space?



Aspire> Consider

How do I want to use the space?



What do I need to consider?

- Council guidelines - check to see your council verge guidelines + street tree policy
- Plant sizes - how high will they grow, are they <0.8m?
- What is the ongoing maintenance and what are my personal limitations?
- Is it waterwise?

Planting styles



How do you want your verge to look and feel?



- structured lines?
- grouped plantings?
- edging?



- vegetables + herbs?
- raised beds?
- irrigated?

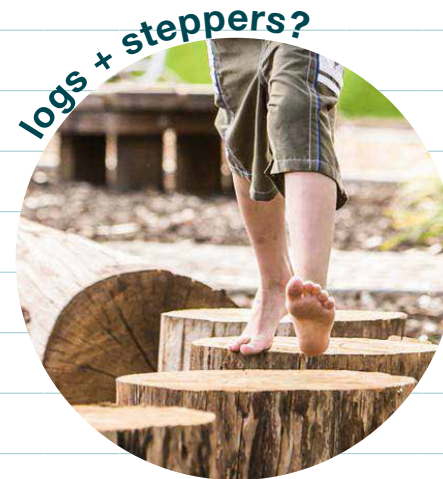


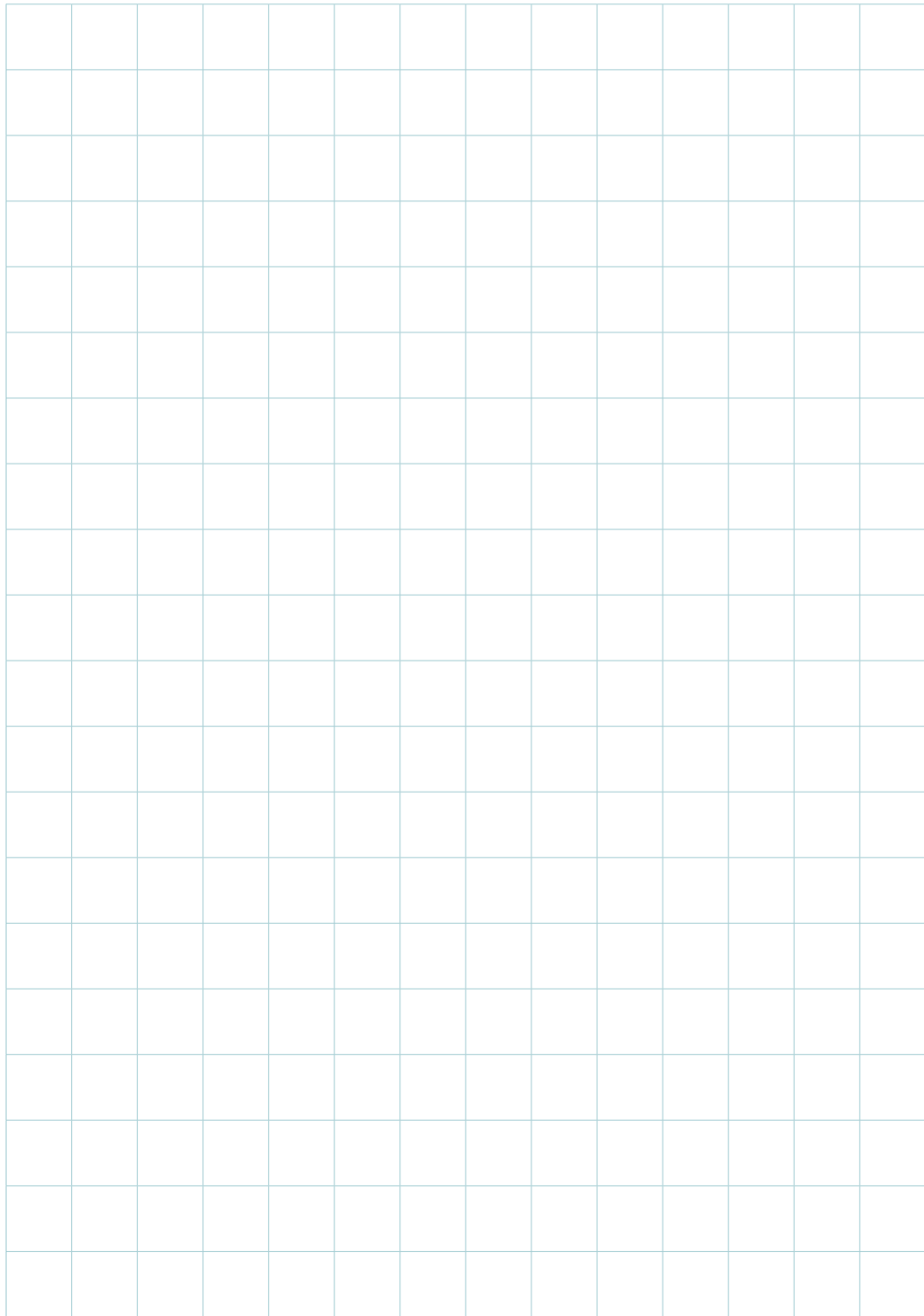
- flowering natives for habitat?
- diverse mix of species?
- meandering paths?

Materials




How will you access your verge?






Key

A grid consisting of 14 columns and 20 rows. The top-right corner is reserved for a key. The bottom-right corner contains a scale bar and a north arrow.

Scale 

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• Turn over to draw up your verge garden!



Cut out + submit to your local council



Our Park, Our Place is working with you to build knowledge and skills needed to take action in your neighbourhoods to create cool, green spaces in a changing climate.



Our Park Our Place is a collaborative project aimed at tackling the Urban Heat Island effect through reconnecting people with nature in their local neighbourhoods.

The project targets Perth hotspots where a lack of trees and vegetation is contributing to higher temperatures. This project gives residents the tools to take action.

To find out more, and for details on upcoming workshops and on-site events, head to:

www.greeningaustralia.org.au/projects/our-park-our-place

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