

# NTS Certificate in Sustainable Agriculture on Norfolk Island

Guidelines for high-production, sustainable agriculture  
Four 8-hour seminars that could change the way you farm

**Knowledge is power**, and in any business enterprise, education confers the power to be profitable. There is now a whole new technology available, which can ensure both increased **profitability** and improved **sustainability** in agriculture. **Balance** – both mineral and biological – is the keystone of this approach, but there are numerous management tips, tricks and synergies that complete the equation. The bottom line is the fact that this **holistic precision approach** simply outperforms the conventional approach.

The **Certificate in Sustainable Agriculture** features the NTS Management Approach where **biological agronomists** cover every aspect of microbe, soil and plant nutrition (and protection). The four days feature **Mineral Management, Microbe Management, Plant Management** and **Pest Management** with **Human Health Management** interspersed throughout. Growers and consultants will have the opportunity to take home a multi-choice exam to complete and return within one month of the course. Growers with a pass in each subject will be issued with the NTS Certificate in Sustainable Agriculture to commemorate their success.

The four day **certificate course** includes comprehensive presentations and **hands-on** workshops. The human health workshop is both entertaining and informative with patrons receiving a comprehensive report card on their personal health. A three course dinner with an after-dinner speaker is part of the program as is a fine range of organic/locally grown foods supplied throughout each day. On **Monday** there is a field trip for interested parties where visits to local farms will show attendees how NTS strategies are being implemented (cost and locations to be confirmed).

**Nutri-Tech Solutions (NTS)** are undisputed leaders in high-production agriculture servicing a client base of over **15,000 growers**, over **300 products** in the range and **export** to over 30 locations. The in-depth training programs held at their Queensland Seminar Centre are rapidly becoming prerequisites for growers wishing to increase productivity and profitability and consultants who wish to increase their skills.

## Seminar Details:

Venue: Norfolk Island South Pacific

Time: 8.00am - 5.00pm each day (7.30am on Thursday for registration)

Cost: \$599 AUD - includes seminar, manual, morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea (daily) plus one evening dinner

Dates: Thursday 24 - Sunday 27 September 2009

Outline: Thursday Mineral Management

Friday Microbe Management

Saturday Plant Management

Sunday Pest Management

(Human Health Management covered each day)

Monday Optional Field Trip (extra cost - see registration form)

## COMPANION OFFER:

**Half price admission for 1 spouse or immediate family member involved in the day-to-day operation of your business.**

**\$599 + \$299 = \$898 for two**

Note: Some conditions apply. Offer only valid for 1 spouse/family member per full paying attendee.

Friday night dinner and guest speaker to be advised at registration on Thursday morning. Bookings are essential. To secure a place complete the Registration Form. Note: A \$100 surcharge will apply for cancellations in the week of the seminar to help compensate for prearranged catering charges. Contact: Robin Adams on (Int+6723)23587 or email: [info@sustainablenorfolk.com](mailto:info@sustainablenorfolk.com)

**Monday Field Trip** - Visit local farms and see how NTS growers are implementing the NTS strategies and products. Register your interest to attend on the attached form.



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## Program Outline

### MINERAL MANAGEMENT - THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2009

**Soil Therapy™ Explained** – Albrecht balancing in 21st Century Agriculture  
**Calcium, Boron & Silicon** – understanding the synergy of the terrific trio  
**The Remineralising Imperative** – the mineral link to animal and human health  
**Phosphorus and Magnesium** – the sugar building synergists  
**Nitrogen & Sulphur** – the power of protein builders  
**Potassium & Sodium** – achieving balance for quality enhancement  
**Trace Elements** – the law of the minimum  
**Workshop** - soil sampling, soil test interpretation

### MICROBE MANAGEMENT - FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2009

**Farming Soil-Life** – pushing the paradigm shift  
**Humates** – for mineral magnification and stability  
**The Soil Foodweb** – the benefits of biological balance  
**The Microbial Link to Nutrient Retention, Availability and Stability**  
**Feeding the Soil** - microbial enhancement & green manures  
**Specialist Inoculums and their Roles**  
**Nitrogen Fixation** – tapping into the mother lode  
**Sustainable Herbiciding**  
**Soil-Life Protection & Stimulation** - new innovations  
**Composting & Compost Teas** - introduction  
**Paramagnetism** - light for the root zone  
**Workshop** - compost tea brewing, under the microscope

### PLANT MANAGEMENT - SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2009

**Climate Change & Fusion Farming**  
**The Secrets of Foliar Fertilising**  
**DIY Foliar Magnification** – humic & fulvic acids, aloe vera & other bio-stimulants  
**Seed Treatments**  
**Plant Therapy™ & The Big Four**  
**Growth Stimulants & Kelp**  
**Workshop** – leaf sap monitoring: refractometers, sap pH, sap potassium/nitrate/sodium  
– leaf tissue monitoring: timing, interpretation & nutrient relationships

### PEST MANAGEMENT - SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2009

**Chemical v's Biological Pest Management**  
**IPM and IDM strategies**  
**Biological Inoculums** - for disease management  
**Sap pH** - manipulation for fungal control  
The link between **Brix Levels & Disease Pressure**  
**Weed Management Strategies**  
**Botanical Extracts** - use for insect management & plant growth promotion  
**Nematode Management**  
**New Directions in Pest Management**  
**Compost Tea for Broad-Spectrum Disease Management**

### HUMAN HEALTH MANAGEMENT - included each day

**The Soil Health/Human Health Link**  
**The Remineralising Imperative**  
**Digestion and Disease**  
**The Power of Probiotics** - human microbe management  
**The Art of Detox**  
**The Secrets of Longevity**  
**Workshop** - zinc testing, saliva pH, blood pressure monitoring, heavy metal analysis, blood oxygen levels, general vitality, calcium, iodine, magnesium and selenium hair testing



# NTS Certificate in Sustainable Agriculture ON NORFOLK ISLAND

## Registration Form

**Thursday 24 September - Sunday 27 September 2009**

Please post or fax your completed registration form, along with credit card details or cheque in Australian dollars to: Sustainable Norfolk, PO Box 783, Norfolk Island South Pacific 2899

Mr     Mrs     Ms     Miss     Prof     Dr

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Companion Offer (see conditions on page 1 - AUS \$898 for 2):

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to You: \_\_\_\_\_

Attending full seminar (AUS \$599 incl. GST):     Yes     No

Special Diet/Requirements? If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

What sector of the industry do you represent?

Grower \_\_\_\_\_  Supply-chain \_\_\_\_\_  Industry Service Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Government Stakeholder \_\_\_\_\_  Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Certificate course? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to subscribe to the free NTS email magazine?     Yes     No

Payment (full payment is required to secure your seat):

Total Amount Due (AUS): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Payment: Please contact: Sustainable Norfolk

Cheque Enclosed:  (please make cheques payable to \_\_\_\_\_)

Credit Card:

VISA     MASTERCARD     BANKCARD    (please tick)

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Field Day

## Registration Form

Monday 28 September 2009

This form is to register for the Monday Field Day.

Please post or fax your completed registration form to:

Sustainable Norfolk, PO Box 783, Norfolk Island 2899 South Pacific  
or Fax: (Int+6723) 23587

Mr     Mrs     Ms     Miss     Prof     Dr

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you require transport or will you have your own vehicle?

Bus     Own Transport

What sector of the industry do you represent?

Grower \_\_\_\_\_  Supply-chain \_\_\_\_\_  Industry Service Provider

Government Stakeholder     Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to subscribe to the free NTS email magazine?    Yes    No

Payment (pre-payment is required)

**\$45 (cuppa only provided)**

**Direct Payment:** Please contact Sustainable Norfolk for details

**Cheque Enclosed:**  Please make cheques payable to Sustainable Norfolk

**Credit Card:**

VISA     MASTERCARD     BANKCARD    (please tick)

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# FarmReady

## Australia's Farming Future

### **Nutri-Tech Solutions (NTS) is a FarmReady Training Provider**

FarmReady Course ID Number: FRTC0088

Approved courses registered with FarmReady aim to improve the capacity of primary producers to adapt to climate change and increase their self reliance and preparedness. Key learning areas covered by the FarmReady Reimbursement Grants can be found in the guidelines.

### **Government Reimbursements Available on our Sustainable Agriculture Course**

#### **How to Apply for a FarmReady Subsidy:**

A FarmReady "Application Form For FarmReady Reimbursement Grant" must be submitted to FarmReady and pre-approved prior to course commencement. NTS can provide attendees with the form but each attendee is individually responsible for their approval and reimbursement.

#### **Who is Eligible?**

FarmReady Reimbursement Grants assist primary producers and Indigenous land managers to attend approved training courses.

Eligible participants can receive up to **\$1500 each financial year** to cover the cost of approved training activities, with additional support available for associated expenses such as excess travel, accommodation and child-care.

To be eligible for the FarmReady Reimbursement Grant, you need to be either:

- a: A primary producer (including farmers, fishers and foresters as defined by the Australian Taxation Office)
- b: Immediate family member of a primary producer
- c: Member of the management team of a primary production enterprise or
- d: Indigenous land manager

#### **How Do You Receive a Reimbursement?**

After you have successfully completed the NTS course you need to lodge a "Claim For Reimbursement and Course Review Form" to FarmReady.

#### **Who Do You Pay the Course Fees to?**

Full course payment is made to Sustainable Norfolk and FarmReady reimbursements are provided after course completion. Each attendee is responsible for their own reimbursements. Sustainable Norfolk can provide you with the forms or these can be downloaded from the FarmReady website.

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