

## SHORT COURSE DETAILS

SID08423: CONTEMPORARY CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FROM FORAGED MATERIALS

Tutor: ANNIE GUILFOYLE

Date: 1 DAY TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER

### ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

This course will be packed with ideas for making contemporary Christmas decorations using foraged materials from woodland, hedge and garden. If you would like to make more natural looking decorations and spend time not money, then this day will be really interesting. Annie will show you how to make a contemporary wreath, twiggy stars, wild woodland garland, funky tree decorations, table arrangements, festive place setting and gift-wrapping ideas.

### LEVEL: BEGINNERS/INTERMEDIATE

For those with little or no experience and for those who have taken a related course. Suited to those who would like a structured introduction to a subject, with further building of skills to work towards independent practice.

### ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Annie Guilfoyle is a garden designer and lecturer running her own design business in West Sussex. Annie has worked with the International store group Anthropologie on Festive workshops and decorating ideas. She has also worked on creative workshops for The Urban Village Fete and West Dean.

### TIMETABLE:

8.55–9.15am	Registration and coffee at the College.
9.15am	Morning classes – discussion about what can be made today. Make a wreath, garland or twig stars. You will have time to make one of everything to take home. What you don't make in the morning you will make in the afternoon. Annie will demo the making of all pieces.
10.30am	Coffee
12.45pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Afternoon classes
3.30pm	Tea
5.00pm	Classes finish

### REQUIRED PREPARATION & MATERIALS TO BRING ALONG:

#### Very useful to bring along:

Evergreen foliage, from hedge, woodland or garden  
Sticks and twigs (painted or unpainted)  
Match pots of unused paint for painting decorations  
Any foraged foliage (please ensure you have the permission of the landowner before you forage)  
Particularly useful would be willow, hazel, birch or larch sticks and twigs – however West Dean will be supplying materials for use  
Any festive decorating items to up cycle

Very important to bring along:

Secateurs

Scissors

Any art materials or paints

Coloured string, twine, wire or tape

Notebook and camera are useful for recording ideas and the process

Pens, paper etc.

**MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:**

We have a generously stocked craft shop, which opens daily from 8.30am–2pm, for any materials you need to purchase from the shop.

**Materials included in the course fee:**

Materials including wire, string, paint and supplemental foliage etc.

**Available from the Shop but please bring if you have them:**

Notebook, pens, pencils

**HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. There are no health and safety restrictions on access to this studio/teaching space in the absence of the tutor. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.