

Pruning Workshop

for Fruit Trees and Bushes

at Earthaven Ecovillage with Chuck Marsh of Useful Plants Nursery

Saturday March 7, 2009 9:00am-12:30pm

Late winter is a good time to prune your fruit trees for peak fruit production. Join pruning expert Chuck Marsh for an educational and hands-on workshop at Imani Farm where you will learn the basics of pruning, including winter/spring pruning; the effect of pruning on plant growth and fruit production; pruning tools; and healthy tree and bush pruning techniques and guidelines. We'll be working with blueberry, peach, bush cherry, mulberry, and fig and have the opportunity to see both new and established orchards.

Cost is \$35 per person. To register, call 828.669.4328 or email leewarren@earthaven.org. Class size will be limited to 18 participants.



Chuck Marsh is a permaculture trainer and designer, landscape artist, and Earthaven Ecovillage cofounder and site-planner. He runs Useful Plants Nursery, a permaculture-based nursery specializing in useful, phytonutritional food, and medicine plants well-adapted to our Southern Appalachian mountains and surrounding bioregions. He has thirty years' experience designing and managing gardens, landscapes, and other outdoor projects in the Southeast.

Please bring your own pruners and dress for the weather. Heavy rain or snow will cancel the workshop. Plants from Useful Plants Nursery will be available for sale from Chuck after the workshop so bring your wish lists or visit the website in advance: <http://www.usefulplants.org/>.

This workshop is a benefit for Imani Farm at Earthaven Ecovillage.

Directions: Follow directions to Earthaven Ecovillage. <http://www.earthaven.org/directions.php>. Park in the visitor parking lot. Walk across the bridge and turn right on Benchmark Road. Walk a short distance up the hill until you see Imani Farm on the right.

