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Introduction

Aquaponics is scalable. You can start off with a small farm system and scale up as resources and markets develop.

There is a marked difference in operating a system for profit as opposed to a home system, in terms of productivity and efficiency. When you are making a living, decisions are crucial. Murray will show you how to streamline your operation and calculate ratios and timings for optimum performance.

Objectives

People of all ages have taken the courses successfully. Some mid-career people see it as an opportunity to start a new business and some people just want to learn how to grow their own healthy fish and vegetables easily.

If you want to start a business using Aquaponics, there are many factors to consider which he will outline and provide you in the course. You will receive the tools to make informed decisions about your business.

Will explain in depth the components and functions in his model for Commercial Aquaponics systems, which have been built in various configurations throughout the world. Graphics and animations allow you to see exactly how they work.

This course will teach you how to build a system for your situation which will reap you rewards.

Who Should Attend?

The Aquaponics Design Course caters for all skill levels. From an absolute beginner to someone who has been operating their own system for a while and are ready to scale up.



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Course Outline

Day 1

- Introduction
- Aquaponics- the Basics

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- History of Aquaponics
- Cycling the System
- System Components
- DWC
- Media Beds
- NFT
- Hydroponics V Aquaponics
- Decoupled Systems
- Parameters
- Water Testing
- Why Does pH Trend Down?
- Additives for Adjusting pH
- Water Source

Day 2

- Autosiphons
- Calculating Flow Rates
- Aeration and Filtration
- When to Add a Filter
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Back Up Systems
- Vertical Growing
- How to Build GroPocket Towers
- Plumbing Components
- Reusing Plumbing Fittings
- What is FloMedia?
- FloMedia Walk Through
- FloMedia Water Flow Gravity
- FloMedia Timber Bed Construction



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- Folding the Liner
- FloMedia- Floating Rafts
- FloMedia Polystyrene
- FloMedia Maintenance
- FloMedia Pest Control

Day 3

- Acclimatising Seed
- Papaya Seed Saving
- FloMedia Seed Saving
- FloMedia Conclusion
- Raising the Grow Beds
- Cleaning the Media Beds
- Settlement Tanks
- Radial Flow Filter
- Building a Wicking Bed
- Growing Seedlings
- Building on a Slope Intro
- Building on a Slope Case Study
- **Building on a Slope Summary**

Day 4

- **UVI System Explained**
- Commercial Filters
- Commercial Running A Hybrid
- Commercial Aeration System
- Commercial Aquaponics Solving Problems
- Common Problems
- Hoop Greenhouses
- Passive Heating
- Fish Health Checklist
- Salting New Fish
- Calming Fish with Cloves
- What to Feed Your Fish Alternatives





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Day 5

- Pumps -Water
- Going Solar
- Pumps-Solar
- Pumps- Fail Points in 24V pumps
- Solar The Battery Bank- 5:30mins
- Solar Conclusion
- Fixing Nutrient Deficiencies
- Plant Nutrient Deficiency
- Blossom End Rot
- Plant Nutrients
- Brix Testing Fruit
- Introduction to Pest Management
- Pest Management
- Business Plan Tool Simple
- Business Plan Detailed
- Mind Mapping
- Design Exercise Criteria



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Training Method

- Pre-assessment
- Live group instruction
- Use of real-world examples, case studies and exercises
- Interactive participation and discussion
- Power point presentation, LCD and flip chart
- Group activities and tests
- Each participant receives a binder containing a copy of the presentation
- slides and handouts
- Post-assessment

Program Support

This program is supported by interactive discussions, role-play, and case studies and highlight the techniques available to the participants.

Schedule

The course agenda will be as follows:

•	Technical Session	08.30-10.00 am
•	Coffee Break	10.00-10.15 am
•	Technical Session	10.15-12.15 noon
•	Coffee Break	12.15-12.45 pm
•	Technical Session	12.45-02.30 pm
•	Course Ends	02.30 pm

Course Fees*

• 2,950USD

*VAT is Excluded If Applicable