

North Glenelg

Smaller back yards are the norm now, so you have to make the most of every square inch of space. Leanne's compact space in the south west corner of her back yard had great potential - an entire paved corner was completely vacant and perfect for a veggie garden.



To get as much productive growing area as possible, we suggested a keyhole garden bed. It would maximise square meterage of growing space and also make use of the tall back fence for vertical growing.

Construction progressed very quickly and in the blink of an eye, we had built the long back double bed and the three small keyhole beds.



Irrigation lines tested our creativity. With only one inlet pipe into the back bed, Sally expertly cut and connected all the manifolds, weaving them in and out of each bed in a perfect sequence to allow even watering to all of the beds.



Threading irrigation pipe through holes drilled into the beds.

With the raised beds in place and the irrigation connected, it was time to fill. Soil was delivered to the front driveway and with only a long, narrow path down the side of the house, it was a wheelbarrow job to get the soil from front yard to back yard and into the garden beds.



Roger setting up his clever plank system to fill the back beds first.

Sally filled the wheelbarrows full of soil from the mound in the driveway. From there, Roger pushed the barrow loads of soil down the side path and up the planks to fill the raised beds.

With the beds filled, Sally connected the dripper lines and added a couple of misters to help germinate the root vegetable seeds, then planted out the entire garden. Leanne's garden received the honour of getting the first tomato seedlings from our nursery for this season.



Sally planting out the beds.

Buried along the back bed, underneath the pea and bean netting, is a row of climbing beans that have probably grown to cover the back fence by now (send us a photo Leanne!!!).

One of the lovely things about installing vegetable gardens over Adelaide is the pleasure of meeting not only our new clients, but also their dogs. Mocha became an instant favourite, softly meandering in and out of our workspace, but never interfering. We expect she is enjoying lots of outside time with her owners now as they tend to their new garden and harvest delicious spring vegetables.



Our new friend, Mocha.