



Free bus transportation!

More information at: heartwoodfolkschool.com/ecohometour



# Schedule

\*Please pack water & a lunch. Attendees will receive a free tea or coffee and a cookie at Slow Coast Cafe!

\*If you want to change which group you selected at registration, please email us.

#### Group 1 (Ferry/Community Hall)

9:00 BUS PICK-UP AT OTTER BAY FERRY TERMINAL

9:15 BUS PICK-UP AT THE PEND-ER ISLANDS COMMUNITY HALL (4418 Bedwell Harbour Rd)

House 2

House 1

House 3

\*1 hour break at Slow Coast Cafe\*

House 4

Discussion with Mark Benson & Everest Lapp

Shuttle to 5:45 ferry to Swartz Bay

# Group 2 (Slow Coast Coffee)

9:30 BUS PICK-UP FROM SLOW COAST COFFEE (5827 Schooner Way)

House 3

House 2

House 1

House 4

Discussion with Mark Benson & Everest Lapp

# About the Tour

From rainwater harvesting and passive solar heating, to natural building materials and living roofs, learn about everything eco for home building and retro-fitting! Whether you want to increase your home's energy efficiency or go entirely off-grid, these homes will inspire and inform you. Homeowners and tour guides will be there to explain each home's eco-aspects and answer your questions.

A special thanks to all the eco homeowners who are graciously opening their doors to us!

#### About Heartwood

Located on Pender Island, BC, our mission at the Heartwood Folk School Society is to teach practical, joyful, earth-caring and community-strengthening skills to adults and also younger folks. This includes food growing, sustainable energy, traditional arts and skills, and related building initiatives.

Find out more about us and see our upcoming workshops and events on our website: www.heartwoodfolkschool.org

# About the homes



House 1: Mary-Anne & John

A 250 square-foot eagles' aerie with a 6,000 square foot kitchen garden, facilitating a lifestyle that follows nature's cycles, serviced by rainwater, heated by wood, powered by one solar panel... oh, and there's an outdoor composting toilet too: a purposely inconvenient and wholly satisfying lifestyle.

House 2: Mary & Andy

A ridge-top hybrid strawbale/cob home of post and beam construction, this house features a solar photovoltaic system, a homemade solar thermal installation, living roofs and wall, and a rainwater collection system used for irrigation.

#### House 3: Jerry & Tara

This home is centered around its geothermal heating and cooling system, tapping into the earth's energy underwater to maintain a comfortable temperature year round! Learn about installing geothermal, a sustainable energy source that can be tapped almost anywhere.

House 4: Colin & Wendi

Stoney Pocket has two strawbale houses (one currently under construction) and a cob workshop. It features passive solar, hydronic in floor heating, living roofs, natural clay & lime plasters, earthen floor, rainwater catchment, natural spring water and irrigation systems, and the use of recycled materials including pop can walls.