

FIRESMART & DROUGHT TOLERANT



FireSmart Home Assessment

Use Hugelkultur to turn yard debris into nutrient-rich soil, conserve water, and reduce fire risk.



SOIL
A mix of topsoil and compost

COMPOST
Adds beneficial microbes and nutrients.

GRASS CLIPPINGS
Add green nitrogen and help hold moisture.

LEAVES
Provide carbon, break down slowly, and feed soil life.

SMALL BRANCHES & TWIGS
Create air pockets for water and microbial habitat.

LARGER BRANCHES & LOGS
The wood acts like a sponge, holding water and breaking down slowly over time.

THE BENEFITS



RETAINS MOISTURE

Wood acts like a sponge, keeping soil moist longer.



BUILDS NUTRIENT-DENSE SOIL

As the wood breaks down, it feeds soil life and adds nutrients.



HEALTHIER PLANTS

Stronger roots, healthier plants, and better harvests.



SUSTAINABLE

Recycles yard waste right in your own garden.



THE FIRESMART BENEFIT

Clearing yard debris removes potential fuel for wildfires. Building Hugelkultur beds turns that debris into a powerful tool for drought resilience and healthy gardens.



DROUGHT TOLERANT

Hugelkultur beds hold more moisture in the soil, reduce watering needs, and help your garden thrive—even in dry conditions.



IF YOU WERE A PAST FIRESMART PARTICIPANT,

the Seabird Island FireSmart team would like to meet with you to help set up your raised garden beds and fill them with the logs, sticks, and branches from your yard to create a defensible FireSmart zone around your home.



REDUCE FIRE RISK

Remove combustible debris from your yard to reduce wildfire risk.



SAVE WATER

Healthier soil holds more moisture.



PROTECT YOUR HOME

Create a defensible FireSmart zone around your home.



COMMUNITY STRONG

Working together for a safer Seabird Island.