

## **The Soil Sisters - Sabrina Hahn & Andrea Whitely**

Together Sabrina and Andrea put the fun back into gardening. These two passionate gardeners combine their wealth of gardening knowledge and their unique and humorous presentation style leaving audiences just busting to get back into the garden.

Each Saturday morning thousands of West Australians tune in between 9am and 10am to get their weekly instalment of banter between Sabrina Hahn and Andrea Whitely when they appear on ABC radio as The Soil Sisters. These two great friends on and off air, offer an hilarious hour discussing men, children, cooking, cleaning and of course their number one passion gardening...for after all theirs is a gardening show!

Over the past few years of being on air together Sabrina and Andrea have built up their listening audience which now crosses all demographics and even touches those who couldn't care less about gardening.

Sabrina and Andrea met on the hockey field many years ago and discovered their shared passion over a glass or two of red wine after the game.

Sabrina started her gardening career completing a certificate of horticulture at Bentley TAFE a hundred years ago, then a Degree in Applied Science Horticulture at WAIT, and finally completed a Bachelor of Social Science (Leisure Sciences) at Edith Cowan University. Then a landscaping business in Perth followed by a move to Kalgoorlie where she managed a nursery.

Sabrina grew up in the wilds of New Guinea and draws her gardening inspiration from her grandmother. She has a garden design and consultation service and operates all over Western Australia. She has three grown up children.

Sabrina has just published her first book with a second due out in 2009. She writes a regular column in 'The West Australian', is a feature writer for many gardening magazines. Sabrina has appeared as a presenter TV on Gardening Australia and The Garden Gurus

Andrea is the West Australian Co-ordinator of Australia's Open Garden Scheme. She is a skilled corporate trainer and currently consults to Yates, training retail staff in the basic principles of gardening.

Andrea consults to private clients on all things garden related. Andrea contributes to various gardening magazines including 'Your Garden', 'Gardening Australia' and 'The Garden Guru' and not too shabby with a box brownie her photos have been published in 'The West Australian' and the Open Garden Scheme Guidebook as well as many local papers around the state.

Andrea has a corporate background together with a degree in Geography and Politics from Monash University.

She has held management positions at Myer, Big W, a short stint as a yacht charter broker, Myer again and Ansett Airlines responsible for managing large groups of front-line staff.

Andrea grew up in Victoria and attributes her love of gardening to going to school across the road from the Royal Botanical Gardens and holidays spent in the country with her great aunt, a farmers wife, fabulous vegetable gardener and an even better cook. Andrea is married with three young children.

The Soil Sisters offer good, down to earth, topical advice about the garden and the things that you and yours can do to reduce your footprint on the planet in a most entertaining way.

Andrea and Sabrina are both active members of the Horticulture Media Association in Western Australia and appear regularly at Garden Week, Gardening Australia Live and the Kings Park Festival.

The Soil Sisters are both accomplished and vibrant corporate speakers and together will provide an interesting edge to your next function either as the MCs or lunch or dinner speakers.