

Richard Hallman Bio October 2015

Richard grew up on a small commercial orchard in the Okanagan Valley where his fascination with pruning and grafting fruit trees began. He attended the UBC receiving a degree in Plant Science in the 1970's. After university he travelled and worked on several orchards and nurseries in Australia. After returning to BC he worked as an advisor to the commercial tree fruit industry in Kelowna and in 1979 he joining the BC Ministry of Agriculture as a horticultural advisor to commercial and home garden tree fruit, berry, vegetable and Christmas tree growers. He retired from government in 2010 to follow his passion starting a small business focused on training gardeners how to be successful with fruit trees. In particular he is focused on grafting, training of espalier fruit trees and troubleshooting fruit production problems. He is a Registered Professional Horticulturalist, an ISA Certified Arborist and has recently been appointed the UBC Botanical Garden Tree Fruit Expert - Consultant.