

Bill Mollison's Zoning Principle

The other zones hold elements that require less and less frequent management and harvest

Zone 5

Wild Zone –where you draw inspiration for better design.



The zone of most intensive design, management, harvest.

Chaos Ratio functions by pulling more and more of zone 5 into zone 1. The bridge for slowly pulling these two opposites together is chaos level 2 elements. You can see in the levels of chaos infographic how I have given a ratio from 1:1 to 1:5 to show how you might work to add elements that work for you, until your system is as productive as a zone 1 garden where you have worked, but as low in maintenance as zone 5 wilderness.