



Low Tech Punk Manifesto

Low Tech Punk is a movement towards a viable future: a world beyond scarcity, hierarchy and capitalism, where technological simplicity is preferred to energy-intensive complexity, and environmentally responsible, sustainable practices are central to everyday life.

Low Tech Punk embodies a reconciliation between humans and their ecosystems, choosing durability over disposability, maintenance over replacement, and repair over obsolescence.

Low Tech Punk is a revolt against overconsumption, a pursuit of resilience and sufficiency. It celebrates accessible, repairable technologies whose knowledge can be passed on, strengthening communities' autonomy.

In a world undergoing irreversible change, Low Tech Punk seeks answers that offer more than temporary solutions: shifts in perspective. This means thriving with less and redefining abundance, so that sharing becomes more valuable than accumulating.

We are Low Tech Punks because we recognise the impact of our ecological footprint and choose to act decisively to reduce it. We are Low Tech Punks because giving up or resigning ourselves to apathy is simply not an option.

At the heart of Low Tech Punk is a future that celebrates human ingenuity through simplicity, economical use of resources and harmony with nature. A world where limited resources are not a constraint but a creative impetus for balanced development.

The "punk" in Low Tech Punk is critical thinking, resourcefulness and a distrust of ready-made solutions and high technology that distance us from fundamental practical skills.

Low Tech Punk is more than a vision: it is a practice, an everyday approach to shaping the present with future generations in mind.

Low Tech Punk embraces varied methods: there is no single way to adopt it. Around the world, communities take this concept and shape it according to their own vision of a sustainable, humane future.

Low Tech Punk offers an essential perspective for describing a desirable future. Rather than glorifying an idealised past or dreaming of a high-tech future, it focuses on practical solutions for the present.



Our vision of the future is pragmatic and inclusive, valuing local knowledge, craftsmanship and the diversity of cultures and communities.

Low Tech Punk stands for sustainability and environmental and social justice. It seeks a better life not only for us, but for everyone who comes after us.

A Low Tech Punk future means giving new life to what we already own and, where necessary, changing our present today so that it better meets tomorrow's needs.

Low Tech Punk recognises the crucial role of creativity and imagination in changing our realities, drawing on narratives as well as concrete action.

Low Tech Punk offers a counter-narrative to technology that dominates and uproots, proposing instead technology that supports people and strengthens their roots.

Low Tech Punk is a culture of repair, ingenious DIY, shared knowledge networks and simple, elegant systems. It renews our appreciation for resourceful ideas and lasting solutions.

Low Tech Punk culture is inclusive, embracing all cultures, religions, abilities, sexes, genders and sexual identities in a spirit of solidarity and cooperation.

Low Tech Punk promotes a humanity that has matured to practise not only tolerance, but also deep understanding and active kindness.

The visual aesthetic of Low Tech Punk is constantly evolving. It draws inspiration from traditional ways of living in harmony with the environment and from creatively reinventing existing infrastructure to give it a second life. It is also inspired by thoughtful, appropriate, human-centred technology; the timeless beauty of handmade objects; ingenious innovations from cultures around the world; and the elegance of simplicity and efficiency.

Low Tech Punk envisions a world rebuilt around the principles of energy sufficiency and environmental sustainability.

Low Tech Punk imagines a future in which collective wisdom has enabled us to reverse today's destructive course. We have learnt to value our enduring bond with the Earth, no longer as masters, but as partners and stewards.

Low Tech Punk:

- is diverse and resilient
- allows spirituality and pragmatism to coexist
- is aesthetically rich and wise in its functions
- is achievable. Here and now