

Organizations, Books and Other Resources

The Wild Ones— Natural Landscapers

This non-profit organization has "a mission to educate and share information with members and communities at the 'plant-roots' level and to promote biodiversity and environmentally sound practices." Wild Ones has a diverse membership "interested in landscaping using native species in developing plant communities."

The Wild Ones website (www.for-wild.org) has a section called "Hot Links for Native Plant Landscaping" with dozens of useful links.

The Oakland County chapter meets on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:00 p.m., at the Old Oakland Township Hall, Rochester.
Contact Maryann Whitman at 248-652-4004 (Email: ecothink @comcast.net).

There are numerous organizations, publications and other resources that you can turn to if you have questions about your native plant garden.

Organizations:

Ann Arbor Department of Parks and Recreation:

The Natural Area Preservation Staff has put together an excellent series of brochures: Native Trees; Native Shrubs; Native Wildflowers; Native Vines, Grasses, Sedges, and Ferns; and Your Landscape and Our Natural Areas. These are available for \$1.00 each, or \$4.00 for the set of five. Contact: The Natural Areas Preservation Staff, Ann Arbor Dept. of Parks and Recreation, 1831 Traver Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48107 Phone: 734-996-3266

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: www.epa.gov/glnpo/ Hit "Ecopage" button, and then the "Green Landscaping" button.

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center: www.wildflower.org/

Matthaei Botanical Gardens: www.lsa.umich.edu/MBG

Michigan Green Industry Association:

Professional association for the landscape industry in southeast Michigan. Directory of members and services available. www.landscape.org

Phone: 248-646-4992

Michigan Botanical Club:

www.michbotclub.org

Native plant society for the state of Michigan, with five local chapters.

Michigan Natural Features Inventory: (MNFI):

www.dnr.state.mi.us/wildlife/heritage/mnfi/

MSU Extension - Oakland County:

Horticulturist on staff. Gardening Hotline providing assistance on garden, landscape, lawn and pest concerns (Normal office hours during the growing season; reduced hours during the "off" season).

County Service Center, Building #26 East 1200 North Telegraph Road
Pontiac, MI 48341

Phone: 248-858-0881 Hotline: 248-858-0902

National Wildlife Federation Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program:

www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat/

Oakland Conservation District:

Provides education outreach and landscape design assistance. 2891 Dixie Highway Waterford, MI 48328

Phone: 248-673-4496

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Organizations (Cont.)

Wildflower Association of Michigan: www.wildflowersmich.org

Promotes, coordinates and participates in education, enjoyment, science and stewardship of wildflowers and their habitat. Links to dozens of sites.

Women's National Farm and Garden Association:

Springfield Branch, Michigan Division. A national organization dedicated to educating the public about gardening through programs and scholarships. Springfield Branch meets monthly at the Hart Community Center in Springfield Township. Involved in hands-on projects relating to native plants, gardening, international projects, flower arranging, herbs and fellowship. Phone: 248-634-0412 E-mail: Gbertolini@aol.com

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Randall, John M. and Janet Marinelli; eds. *Invasive Plants: Weeds of the Global Garden*. Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 1996.

Roach, Margaret and Janet Marinelli; eds. *The Natural Lawn and Alternatives*. Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 1995.

Stein, Sara. *Noah's Garden: Restoring the Ecology of Our Own Backyard*. Houghton Mifflin, 1993.

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