

Resources

Advantages of native plants

<https://www.chicagotribune.com/opinion/commentary/ct-stop-mowing-your-lawn-20150805-story.html>

<https://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/features/Lawn>

<https://www.beyondpesticides.org/resources/lawns-and-landscapes/overview/hazards-and-alternatives>

<https://www.beyondpesticides.org/assets/media/documents/lawn/resources/bp-fact-lawnpesticides.081417.pdf>

<https://www.epa.gov/soakuptherain/soak-rain-rain-gardens>

https://archive.epa.gov/greenacres/web/html/conf_knwldge.html

<https://www.pnas.org/doi/full/10.1073/pnas.1809259115>

Benefits of native fauna

https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/attracting_beneficial_insects_with_native_flowering_plants_e2973

<https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.1230200>

<https://royalsocietypublishing.org/doi/10.1098/rspb.2006.3721>

<https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/news/press-releases/pollination-loss-removes-healthy-foods-from-global-diets-increases-chronic-diseases-causing-excess-deaths/#:~:text=2022%20Multimedia%20Pollination%20loss%20removes%20healthy%20foods%20from%20global%20diets,chronic%20diseases%20causing%20excess%20deaths>

Register your native garden

<https://homegrownnationalpark.org/>

<https://www.pollinator-pathway.org/>

<https://www.nwf.org/CERTIFY>

Planning

Plant selection

https://siouxcityjournal.com/advertorial/at_home/yard-of-the-year-winners-promote-native-gardening/article_e23ce28-a9c4-59cb-8757-f8201943a491.html

<https://openprairie.sdstate.edu/nativeplant/>

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2022-10/P-00251.pdf>

<https://www.epa.gov/eco-research/ecoregions-north-america>

<https://www.backyardecology.net/gardening-with-native-plants-hardiness-zones-and-ecoregions/>

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/pollinators/great-plains-card.htm>

https://www.pollinator.org/pollinator.org/assets/generalFiles/PrairieParklandrx12FINAL_171017_090033.pdf

<https://www.nativerivegetation.org/era/>

<https://www.nwf.org/-/media/Documents/PDFs/Garden-for-Wildlife/Keystone-Plants/NWF-GFW-keystone-plant-list-ecoregion-9-great-plains.ashx?la=en&hash=D93EC537B17AF4BEA41B4CC0149413C15A46CC29>

<http://bonap.net/napa>

<https://www.minnesotawildflowers.info/page/search>

<https://www.wildflower.org/plants/>

<https://www.prairiemoon.com/>

For the birds: <https://www.audubon.org/native-plants>

For the moths and butterflies: <https://www.nwf.org/NativePlantFinder>

For the bees: <https://xerces.org/publications/plant-lists/pollinator-plants-northern-plains>

Avoiding non-natives

<https://scholarworks.uvm.edu/graddis/626/>

<https://journals.ashs.org/horttech/view/journals/horttech/28/5/article-p596.xml>

Design

http://www.wildoneslansing.org/uploads/9/8/9/0/9890611/think_like_a_pollinator_usfs.pdf

https://bwsr.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/2020-05/Planting%20for%20Pollinators_updated_2020_0.pdf

<https://nativegardendesigns.wildones.org/>

<https://grownative.org/learn/native-landscape-plans/>

<https://www.landscapeinteractions.com/projects>

https://lgnc.org/pdfdocs/brandes_book.pdf

<https://www.prairieresto.com/garden-design-plans>

Sourcing

<https://www.sdstate.edu/native-plant-initiative/2021-npi-plant-sale-list>

<https://loesshills.wildones.org/plant-sale/>

<https://nativegardendesigns.wildones.org/nursery-list/>

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/gardens/nativeplants/suppliers.html>

<https://xerces.org/publications/guidelines/collecting-and-using-your-own-wildflower-seed>

Seed Stratification

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rb0jdwXwihE>

<https://www.prairiemoon.com/blog/germination>

Growing your own plants

<https://joegardener.com/podcast/easiest-way-to-start-and-grow-native-seeds-winter/>

<https://marylandgrows.umd.edu/2019/01/23/winter-sowing-how-i-get-a-jump-start-on-my-summer-flower-garden/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhqT1kUVSk0>

Site prep

https://bwsr.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/2020-05/Planting%20for%20Pollinators_updated_2020_0.pdf

<https://xerces.org/publications/guidelines/organic-site-preparation-for-wildflower-establishment>

<https://www.rewildingmag.com/replace-lawn-with-native-plants/>

<https://www.prairiemoon.com/blog/faqs> How to guides

<https://www.prairieresto.com/native-planting-guide>

<https://goodneighborowa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/TGPC-Guide-CH-13-Small-Prairie-Plantings.pdf>

Webinars that inspired me

10 things new native gardeners need to know

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJuMSHIFje4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q4caQ9o4Naw>

Creating green corridors: strategies for cities and homeowners

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQ74p5tQ-RU>

The Nature of Oaks: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YxehIqY-t0>

Natures Best Hope: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ARdYLamTA-M>

Books on Why?

Noah's Garden: Restoring the ecology of our own back yards by Sara Stein*

Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard by Douglas W Tallamy

Half Earth: Our Planets's Fight for Life by E.O. Wilson

A New Garden Ethic: Cultivating defiant compassion for an uncertain future by Benjamin Vogt

The Living Landscape: Designing for beauty and biodiversity in the home garden by Rick Darke and Doug Tallamy

Bringing Nature Home: How you can sustain wildlife and native plants by Douglas W. Tallamy

The Nature of Oaks: The rich ecology of Our Most Essential native trees by Douglas W. Tallamy

Books on How?

Planting in a Post-Wild World: Designing plant communities for resilient landscapes by Thomas Rainer and Claudia West

Prairie Up: An Introduction to Natural Garden Design by Benjamin Vogt

Attracting Birds, Butterflies, and Other Backyard Wildlife by David Mizejewski, National Wildlife Federation

Lawns into Meadows: Growing a regenerative landscape by Owen Wormser

Community Eco-Gardens: Landscaping with Native Plants by Dennis Swiftdeer Paige

Garden Revolution: How our landscapes can be a source of environmental change by Larry Weaner and Thomas Christopher

Gardening with Prairie Plants: How to create beautiful native landscapes by Sally Wasowski

New Naturalism: Designing and planting a resilient, ecologically vibrant home garden by Kelly D. Norris

Books on What?

Grassland Plants of South Dakota and the Northern Great Plains by SDSU

Wildflowers, Grasses, and Other Plants of the Northern Plains and Black Hills by Theodore Van Bruggen, USD

The Midwestern Native Garden: Native Alternatives to non-natives flowers and plants by Charlotte Adelman & Bernard L. Schwartz

Midwestern Native Shrubs and Trees: Gardening alternatives to non-native species by Charlotte Adelman & Bernard L. Schwartz

The Tallgrass Prairie Center Guide to Seed and Seedling Identification in the Upper Midwest by Dave Williams

The Prairie in Seed: Identifying seed-bearing prairie plants in the upper mid-west by Dave Williams