



Saving & Sharing Seeds

The seeds you borrow from the Yankton Seed Library are given to you at no financial cost, and they are priceless.

A commitment to growing plants from seeds is a gift to yourself and your family. We hope you learn, experience the joy of gardening, and enjoy the fruits of your labor.

The mission of the Yankton Seed Library is to increase our ability to feed ourselves wholesome food while enriching our natural surroundings by offering free local fruit, vegetable, and flower seeds raised by and for Yankton area residents; and by providing complimentary information, instruction and education about gardening.

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Seed Library FAQs

Seed saving is something humans have done for over 10,000 years. When you grow and save your own seeds, you develop seed stock that is well suited to our climate and you save money.

What is the Yankton Seed Library offering?

A variety of flower, vegetable and fruit seeds.

Who can borrow seeds?

Anyone that participates in the Yankton Seed Library's gardening classes can borrow seeds from the seed library.

When is the Seed Library open?

The seed library is open in conjunction with the Library's gardening classes.

What do you mean "borrow" seeds? How can I do that if I plant them?

Plant the seeds. Then, at the end of the season, if you feel comfortable, you can return seeds from the next generation of plants. You can learn how by taking one of the library's free classes. Don't worry, there are no fines if you don't save seeds.

Do I have to return seeds to participate?

No, but bringing seeds helps to keep the library stocked.

Who runs the Yankton Seed Library?

The Yankton Seed Library is a volunteer organization run by local organizations and the Yankton Community Library.



Yankton
Seed Library

2019

Located in the Yankton Community Library

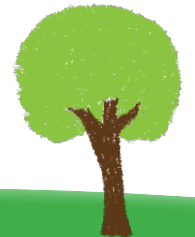
515 Walnut Street

Yankton, SD 57078

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Seed Library Classes

All classes take place at the Yankton
Community Library
515 Walnut Street

Planning for Sustainability with Brent Broberg

January 8, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Soil Health
- Quality Control
- Extending Your Season

Hands-On Keys to Successful Indoor Gardening

February 12, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Starting with the Right Soil
- Optimal Growing Conditions
- Water & Fertility

Enjoying the Fruits of Your Labor- All About Fruit Trees with Seth Hinz, Horticulturalist at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp

March 12, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Selecting Varieties
- Planting for a Lifetime

Hands-On Timing is Everything

April 9, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Starter Plants vs. Direct Sew
- Light, Light, Light
- Countdown to Mapping Your Garden

Off to a Great Start

May 14, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Companion Planting
- Keys to Transplanting
- Crop Rotation

Using Insects in Your Garden


June 11, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Beneficial Insects
- Pollinators vs. Pest Management
- A Look Outside

Dealing with the Unexpected

July 9, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Panel Discussion
- Submit your questions through our Facebook page or email to slippert@cityofyankton.org



Please
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the time
change,
classes now
start at 2:00 p.m.
and 6:30 p.m.

Hands-On Seed Saving with Joe Hoffman

August 13, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Seed Saving How-To's
- Hands-On Seed Saving Training
- How to Read When Plants Are Ready to Harvest Seeds

Preserving the Harvest with Marlys Hauck-Fenner

September 10, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Canning
- Freezing
- Dehydrating

Hands-On Finishing Strong

October 8, 2-3 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Show and Share
- Getting a Jump Start on Next Year
- Maintaining Your Tools