

EDGE of the Woods

Native Plants

Bring life to your
landscape with
native plants



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Do you have a stream, pond or perpetually wet area? Try these native plants:

- Horsetail *Equisetum hyemale*: Grow this evergreen rush at the edge of a bog or pond, in shallow water, or an area with poor drainage. Deer resistant, crowds out weeds, and grows to 3'.
- Pickerelweed *Pontederia cordata*: It's heart shaped leaves and deep blue flowers are ornamental in any area of shallow, quiet water or mud. It can grow up to 3 ft tall. Sun to part shade. Provides nectar for bees and butterflies and attracts dragonflies.
- Arrow arum *Peltandra virginica*: Slow spreading, 2'-3' with spade shaped leaves that surround a club-like spike (spadix) of tiny flowers, which eventually form blackish berries. Will colonize in shallow water or mud, likes part shade.
- Sweet flag *Acorus calamus*: It's iris like blades are aromatic when crushed. Will grow partly in and partly out of water. 3'-6' Sun to part shade. There is some disagreement among botanists as to whether this is a north American native or an early introduction from Eurasia.
- Marsh Elder *Iva frutescens*: A small shrub with greenish white flowers, grows in wet, salty areas. Easy and carefree, can be pruned to shape. Birds. Sun.
- Groundseltree *Baccharis halimifolia*: This attractive shrub reaches 6' to 12', and sports grayish green leaves. Female plants are highly attractive with their fluffy, silvery seed heads. Tolerates salt spray. Supports nectar bees, butterflies, moths, pollinators and birds. Part shade, wet soil.
- Goldenclub *Orontium aquaticum*: Dark green velvety leaves with a bright yellow club shaped spadix. Swamps, shallow water, pools and streams; part shade, likes moving water.
- Tussock sedge *Carex stricta*: A slender, 1-3 ft. grass-like plant with attractive cluster of brown seed capsules. Full sun, wet soil to standing water. Birds and butterflies.

For photos of these plants, go to <http://www.wildflower.org/explore/> and enter the plant name.

Pictured above are cardinal flower and boneset, which will grow in the moist soil found on a streamside or at the edge of a pond. Cardinal flower attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, boneset attracts many pollinators.



A paperless coupon for you!

Nothing to print out, nothing to remember to bring.

Just be sure to mention this coupon before we start to ring up your purchase.

Good for 20% off your plant purchase at the nursery.

Does not apply to previous purchases. Purchase must be made in person at the nursery.

Expires August 31, 2012.

Can't think of anything you need? How about a fruit tree (the apple trees even have apples on them!) or asters for fall color? Wishing for some butterflies? We have a great selection of phlox. Stop in and see what's blooming!)



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Edge of the Woods Native Plant Nursery
promoting native plants since 2003

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

All events held outside under a covered canopy. Please dress for the weather and bring a lawn or camp chair if you can.

Saturday September 8

Urban and Suburban Meadows:

Bringing Meadows to Big and Small Spaces

11 - 12:30: Step by step instruction on how and why to create a meadow.

12:30 - 1:30: Lunch (box lunch available or bring your own)

1:30 - 3:30: Hands on experience with the plants and tools.

[Tickets available online](#), (\$20 per person, \$30 for couple) or by calling 610 395 2570.

Participants will receive Catherine's DVD, a \$21 value.

Bring a garden trowel or bulb planter for the hands on portion of the workshop.

Saturday September 15 1 pm

Native Edibles

Join EOTW Horticulturist Liz Stauffer for a follow-up on her spring Native Edibles Talk. If you came to the one in spring, you know what a treat one of Liz's talk will be! Some of the native edibles she'll highlight are spicebush, rose, highbush cranberry, white oak, hawthorn,

persimmon, black walnut, hickory, and paw paw. We hear there will be samples to taste! No registration required.

Saturday September 22 1 pm

Gardening for Migration.

Presented by Barbara Malt, Vice President of Lehigh Valley Audubon and co-author of Birds of the Lehigh Valley and Vicinity.

Many of us enjoy attracting birds with birdseed. But birds need much more than seed. Nature provides well for their needs but often our human landscapes do not. Come learn how to help our feathered friends in your own backyard. No registration required.

Saturday September 29 1 pm

Bring Life to your Landscape with Native Plants

EOTW co-owner and horticulturist Sue Tantsits will present her talk on how native plants can bring life to the landscape in many different ways. Her power-point presentation includes stunning photographs as well as practical information on using native plants in your landscape.



**Garden Tours:
"Tuesdays at Ten"**

On Tuesday mornings, 10 am, we'll tour the gardens, take a look at what's blooming and what could work in your landscape, and socialize with the butterflies we meet along the way.

Its a fun, informal time to walk around and ask questions about the nursery and your landscape.

Evening Garden Tour 6:30 PM

Evening is the loveliest time at Edge of the Woods.

Stroll through the gardens, discover what's blooming, enjoy the sound of the birds and the cool evening air.

Next Evening Tour: Thursday August 16



Rare Plant Project at Lehigh Gap Nature Center

We are pleased to be working with the Lehigh Gap Nature Center (LGNC) in Slatington, which has native habitat gardens on site and encourages members and visitors to use native plants in their landscaping.

LGNC plans to create a "rare and forgotten flora trail" at their refuge. The trail will serve as a

model and they will recruit homeowners, municipal and school officials, churches, corporate complex managers, and others to plant native plants, including rare ones, on their properties as part of a "Plant Refuge Network."

Rare plants will be provided free of charge to participating organizations and homeowners but must be matched with other native plantings.

For more information contact LGNC at 610-760-8889 or lgnc@ptd.net.

August Hours

Wednesday: 9 am to 5 pm

Thursday/Friday: 9 am to 6 pm

Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm

Sundays: closed

Mondays/Tuesdays: by chance or by appointment

Open Labor Day September 3: 10 am to 2 pm

Hours change monthly.

**In event of excessive heat or inclement weather,
please call ahead to check our hours.**

Located on Route 100, 1.7 miles North of Fogelsville/Tilghman Street.

Directions

***Your source for native edibles: persimmon, paw paw, blueberry, serviceberry,
gooseberry, raspberry, elderberry.***

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