



Native Garden Resources

Plant Identification and Photos

<http://botany.wisc.edu/herbarium/>

Vascular Plants of Wisconsin is produced by the Herbarium, Department of Botany, UW-Madison. This probably is the best and most complete site for Wisconsin plants. Searches can be easily done by scientific name. The results give a detailed description and most have a photo and distribution map. Also available is a link to "Key to the Conifers of WI" and "WI State Herbarium Projects".

<http://www.klines.org/joanne/>

Wisconsin Plant of the Week was developed by a WIDNR employee. The site features a different plant each week. The features provide excellent photos of the plant as well as a detail life history. The archive of past featured plants is listed by scientific name.

<http://plants.usda.gov>

This covers plants found throughout the United States. You are able to search by common or scientific name. The search produces photos, life history and range maps. Another feature lists literature references specific to the plant. This site is sponsored by the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service.

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/forestry/treeid/>

Identifies the common trees of Wisconsin by common name, or scientific name. Also provides a simple key for easy identification. Search produces photos of the fruit, leaves and bark as well as life information. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources developed the site.

<http://www.sustland.umn.edu/>

Sustainable urban Landscape Information Series – Shoreland Design. Teaches basic landscape design techniques. Explains how to create a design, choose plants, install & maintain a native shoreland garden.

Wildflowers and Weeds, by Booth Courtenay and James Zimmerman, paperback

Plants of the Chicago Region, by Floyd Wwink and Gerould Wilhelm.

Field Guide to Wildflowers of Northeastern and North-Central North America, by Roger Peterson

Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Wildflowers; Eastern Region, by William A. Niering, Alfred A. Knopf, Soft Cover

Newcomb's Wildflower Guide, by Lawrence Newcomb. Little. Paperback

Field Guide to Trees and Shrubs, by George A. Petrides. Houghton., paperback

Field Guide to Ferns, by Roger Tory Peterson, Paperback

Wildflower Handbook, 2nd ed. National Wildflower Research Center staff

Wildflower Meadow Book, by Laura C. martin. 2nd ed. East Woods Press

Landscaping with Natives

<http://www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat/>

National Wildlife Federation site. Describes how to develop a wildlife friendly backyard. It also describes in depth information on attracting: butterflies, bees, hummingbirds, frogs, and beneficial insects.

<http://www.epa.gov/greenacres/>

Green Landscaping With Native Plants describes how to turn turf into habitat and offers many tips and reasoning why areas should return to their natural states. There are also photos of restoration successes around the Great Lakes area. This site is provided by the EPA.

Landscaping for Wildlife, by C. Henderson, Minnesota Dept of Natural Resources, 1987

Tallgrass prairie, by John Madson

Wildflowers in your Garden; A Gardener's Guide, by Viki Ferrerriea 1993

Natural Habitat Garden, by Ken Druse, Clarkson & Potter Inc publisher 1994

Landscaping with Native Trees. By Guy Sternberg

Restoring the Tallgrass Prairie, by Shirley Shirley University of Iowa Press 1994

Prairie Restoration for Beginners, by R. C. Ahrenhoerster, Prairie Seed Source, PO Box 83, North Lake, WI 53064

Sources of Native Plants

<http://clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs/shore.htm>

Links to several great publications including Wisconsin Native Plant Sources is a .PDF of a publication developed by the UW-Extension. The publication is up-to-date and lists nurseries and the type of native plants they carry.

Threatened and Endanger Plants

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/er/factsheets/>

Threatened and endangered species of Wisconsin (also known as NHI-National Heritage Inventory) is found on the WIDNR website. A complete list of WI threatened & endangered, vertebrate and invertebrate species can be found by county. There is also a list of special concern, rare, endangered and threatened species and natural communities of Wisconsin available. There is a link to the Fish and Wildlife Service national list of Threatened & Endangered Species.

Poisonous Plants

http://www.vth.colostate.edu/poisonous_plants/report/search.cfm

Guide to Poisonous Plants by Dr. A.P. Knight

Shoreline Stabilization Resources

A Soil Bioengineering Guide for Streambank and Lakeshore Stabilization FS-683 October 2002
<http://www.fs.fed.us/publications/soil-bio-guide/> To receive a FREE copy of this publication

The Landowner's Guide to Controlling Shoreline Erosion
<http://www.ljreas.com/>

For Assistance and Permits

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>

Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL) <http://www.wisconsinlakes.org>

USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service (Wisconsin) <http://www.wi.nrcs.usda.gov/new/default.asp>

US Environmental Protection Agency <http://www.epa.gov>

Walworth County Home page <http://www.co.walworth.wi.us/>

Walworth County Lake Association <http://www.walworthcountylakes.org>

Helpful Resources

How to Manage Small Prairie Fires, by Wayne Pauly. Available at the McHenry County Defenders office, 132 Cass Street, Woodstock.

Prairie Propagation Handbook, by Harold W. Rock, Milwaukee County Dept of Parks, Recreation and Culture

Controlling Deer Damage in Wisconsin Craven, S. and Hygnstrom, S. (1996) , (G3083) University of Wisconsin-Extension. Madison, WI. [<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/pubs/pfd/G3083.PDF>]

Lakescaping for Wildlife and Water Quality Henderson, C., Dindorf, C. and Rozumalski, C. (1998). Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Section of Wildlife, Nongame Wildlife Program. St. Paul, MN. 176pp

Shoreland Restoration: A Growing Solution, (A fifteen-minute video that provides instructions for planting native trees, shrubs and seedlings) To obtain a copy call: 1-800-947-7827. Ask for GWQ032.

The Living Shore, (A seventeen-minute video about shoreline buffer zones_ To obtain a copy call 1-800-876-8630. Ask for VH7129

Wetland Restoration Handbook for Wisconsin Landowners by Thompson, A. and Luthin, C. (2000). Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Integrated Sciences Services. Madison, WI 108 pp.