

MNPS Monthly Program: Life Cycles, Landscape Practices & Growing Native Plants From Seed by Heather McCargo
May 23, 2023
Chat Transcript

19:01:00 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
Its a very interesting topic worth hearing!!

19:01:53 From Rain Hall to Everyone:
68 in Reisterstown

19:03:27 From EILEEN Pouliot to Everyone:
Yes

19:03:51 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
You should be able to mute people as the host.

19:06:09 From THOMAS O'BRIEN to Everyone:
We have bee balm blooming in our yard

19:06:55 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
Hi Heather, I love your booklets about Native Trees and Ground Covers! I Understand you have a new one coming out soon. When can we hope to see it?

19:07:57 From Kathy Daniel to Everyone:
Great issue theme, Jil!

19:08:14 From Louisa to Everyone:
Hello to all my old friends. I don't have a mike so can only chat. Living in the Blue Ridge half an hour north of Emmitsburg.
Louisa.Thompson1@comcast.net

19:08:39 From sally London to Everyone:
I planted Ragwort after buying it from Watermark Woods in Hamilton, VA. It is very aggressive and spreads rapidly.

19:09:36 From Heather McCargo to Everyone:
The new Wild Seed Project guide to native shrubs is now out and available on our website

19:10:16 From Karyn Molines (she/her) CCPR-NRD to Everyone:
Sally--You probably bought Packera aureus--golden ragwort; the native in my yard is Packera anonym Small's ragwort

19:10:17 From THOMAS O'BRIEN to Everyone:
We have had our hummingbird feeders out since 4/1, yet have not seen any this year (Montgomery county). Neither have my local friends. Anyone seeing hummingbirds?

19:10:58 From Karyn Molines (she/her) CCPR-NRD to Everyone:
Replying to "We have had our humm..."

Thomas, we've had some at our feeder and coral honeysuckle.

19:11:03 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
My wife Laura and I have seen a few humming birds in Rockville.

19:11:21 From Brandon and Genevieve to Everyone:
I just saw my first hummingbird 2 days ago. I had been anxiously awaiting. I am in Anne Arundle county MD

19:11:37 From Brandon and Genevieve to Everyone:
I heard a lot of migrations have been delayed this year

19:11:38 From Christopher Loffredo to Everyone:
Is it too late to hunt for wild orchids?

19:11:49 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
What is the website for Wild Seed Project?

19:12:08 From raymondarent to Everyone:

Will there be any upcoming field trips this year?

19:12:22 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
<https://wildseedproject.net/>

19:12:53 From Marion Bundens to Everyone:
Kathy Bilton is seeing putty root in Washington County â€¦

19:13:50 From Kelli Nachbar to Everyone:
Do members have any particular books that have been helpful in identifying plants that are in my yard? I'm just beginning to take stock of natives vs aliens. Thanks

19:15:51 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
There is an updated "Plant invaders of MidAtlantic Natural areas. Field Guide. It's available free if you are in Rockville...or come to a MoCo Weed Warrior event I'm supervising. Better yet you can access it on the web for free.

19:16:02 From Deborah Rochefort to Everyone:
Yes, I live over the river in WV and I love Ferry Hill Trail

19:16:04 From Karyn Molines (she/her) CCPR-NRD to Everyone:
Replying to "Do members have any ..."

Check the web site: <https://mdflora.org/publications/booklist.html>

19:16:41 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
<https://www.invasive.org/midatlantic/fieldguide/>

19:16:44 From Kelli Nachbar to Everyone:
Thanks!

19:16:59 From margaretlchatham to Everyone:
Plant Invaders is available free on line

19:17:00 From Liz Crafford to Everyone:
The new guide (by Jill!) has a great section on Native Plants, too.

19:17:23 From Brandon and Genevieve to Everyone:
Newcombs field guide is great and lots of fun to learn

19:17:54 From Rain Hall to Everyone:
I use Picture This app to identify plants. It gives a lot of information.

19:18:15 From edwinpoole to Everyone:
I would also like info about good books. Edwin Poole, Solomons, MD

19:18:59 From Fawn Palmer__PresbyterianChurch EarthCareSteward and ClimateAdvo to Everyone:
Harford County Master Gardeners are creating a Pollinator Garden Trail. Is the Md Native Plant Society involved with this project> It is funded by a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust and has help from the Harford County Land Trust with development of the PGT webpage.

19:23:29 From Frank Sanford to Everyone:
Dennis Whigham with SERC is an expert on orchids and he has done talks. Actually went to school with him. Might be a speaker. Maybe he already presented here.

19:25:18 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
I was under the impression that this might help to curb the cultivars that flood the market as "natives"

19:26:06 From Karyn Molines (she/her) CCPR-NRD to Everyone:
Replying to "Dennis Whigham with ..."

Frank: We had a talk with Melissa McCormick, one of Dennis' compatriot. Recording is available: <https://mdflora.org/Webinar-Recordings>

19:26:52 From Liz Humes to Everyone:

There is such a shortage of true local natives to use for grants and there is still not enough research on the actual value of cultivars to our native pollinators.

19:27:14 From Karyn Molines (she/her) to Everyone:

Replying to "Dennis Whigham with ..."

And Dennis has spoken in the past (pre-recording era)

19:32:15 From HD to Everyone:

Whoever is running meeting ,please let folks in.

19:50:18 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:

Replying to "There is such a shor..."

Yes, the regs for the bill haven't been written yet, but the bill includes a definition that says "Native plant means a plant that occurs naturally without direct or indirect human actions." This wording excludes cultivars except for one provision that was added to enable the bill to pass: "When a cultivar or hybrid of a Native Plant fills an ecological niche that a Native Plant is no longer able to fill due to widespread attack by disease or insects, the [UME] Native Plant Specialist shall first receive input from the Department of Natural Resources and the Maryland Native Plant Society and then inform and guide the Department in evaluating the cultivar or hybrid of a Native Plant for inclusion on the Commercial Maryland Native Plant List."

19:54:37 From Liz Humes to Everyone:

Replying to "There is such a shor..."

Thank you for finding that. that is very good news for our restoration projects and to help people understand the importance and differences between straight natives and cultivars.

20:00:26 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:

Replying to "There is such a shor..."

Yes, I requested edits to eliminate cultivars because I felt that emphacizing straight species in this bill was crucial

20:01:30 From Liz Humes to Everyone:

Replying to "There is such a shor..."

Thank you so much.

20:16:26 From THOMAS O'BRIEN to Everyone:

When would you mow a meadow?

20:18:06 From Alonso Abugattas, Capital Naturalist to Everyone:

Is purple coneflower native to Maryland? Its not in Virginia.

20:18:51 From Jil Swearingen to Everyone:

No, more to the west. ARS Germplasm Resources has the native range.

20:19:59 From Dan Lyons to Everyone:

Excellent information. Do you have a book with all this information catalogued?

20:22:00 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:

You can check nativity in the app FloraQuest (just released May 1)

20:26:10 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:

You can also check nativity on a related webpage (squares indicate native, triangles non-native, diamonds uncertain):

<https://fsus.ncbg.unc.edu/search-taxon.php>

20:33:41 From Marilyn to Everyone:
Wild Seed print publications are beautiful!

20:34:12 From Marilyn to Everyone:
Lots of great information on the website

20:35:36 From Catherine Smith to Everyone:
Wonderful information throughout the presentation! Thank you for sharing.

20:35:42 From Deborah Rochefort to Everyone:
This was a terrific presentation! I am inspired and looking forward to growing more of my own native plants from seeds (especially wild strawberries; for some reason they aren't around where I am)

20:35:56 From Laura Woolery to Everyone:
Fabulous presentation - thank you!!

20:35:57 From lizmcdowell to Everyone:
Thank you so much for an excellent presentation!!!

20:36:19 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
How to propagate Spice bush?

20:36:35 From Diane to Everyone:
Thank you- so informative & interesting!

20:36:40 From Catherine Plaisant to Everyone:
<https://wildseedproject.net/>

20:36:41 From Peggy Agnor to Everyone:
Great presentation! Thank you.

20:36:42 From susan to Everyone:
wonderful. I tried winter sowing this year, but you've taught me so much. I'll do better next year.

20:36:43 From iPad to Everyone:
Membership also gives you monthly Q and A sessions, very worthwhile.

20:36:46 From Betty Giddihngs to Everyone:
Thank you Heather for a wonderful presentation.

20:36:48 From Karyn Molines (she/her) to Everyone:
www.wildseedproject.net

20:36:55 From Marion Bundens to Everyone:
Thank you very much for a fantastic presentation and resource information!

20:36:57 From Calvin S to Everyone:
Thank you so much!!!

20:36:59 From Karyn Molines (she/her) to Everyone:
Reacted to "wonderful. I tried w..." with ðŸ`

20:37:10 From dawneggenmona to Everyone:
Thank you so much for your presentation. I live in an area with almost no native wildflowers around - I see mostly invasive or foreign plants in natural areas. Where would I look to collect the seeds?

20:37:10 From Deb to Everyone:
Thank you for sharing your expertise. Wonderful presentation!

20:37:14 From Nancy Gladden to Everyone:
Great information - thank you Heather!

20:37:23 From Jane Harris to Everyone:
Thanks for the information and inspiration! Any tips on native grasses?

20:37:29 From Jo Ann Kociolek to Everyone:
What a great presentation- thank you!

20:37:35 From Daphne DeSouza to Everyone:

excellent thank you

20:37:43 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:
<https://wildseedproject.net/>

20:38:00 From Allen to Everyone:
Great presentation

20:38:23 From Roseanne to Everyone:
Rose from Md. Great Presentation. Thank you so much.

20:38:48 From Beth Meyers to Everyone:
Thank you for a wonderful presentation!

20:39:07 From Cynthia Glass to Everyone:
I planted seeds of Calycanthus last summer; overwintered outside;
but haven't seen anything yet. Will they still germinate?

20:39:07 From Kathy Daniel to Everyone:
I just joined the Wild Seed Project. Keep up the great work
Heather!

20:42:04 From Fawn Palmer__PresbyterianChurch EarthCareSteward and
ClimateAdvo to Everyone:
An excellent presentation with amazing information and tips from
over three decades of experience. Thank you Md Native Plant Society.

20:43:29 From Gwendolyn Blankenship to Everyone:
In PA, Ernst Seeds will send small amounts of seed if requested

20:43:56 From Alonso Abugattas, Capital Naturalist to Everyone:
Ernst is not local ecotype

20:44:28 From Marilyn to Everyone:
Brandywine river Museum in SE PA sells local seeds

20:45:26 From Gwendolyn Blankenship to Everyone:
Good to know- thanks

20:45:31 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
You can check with USGS BIML they have volunteer plant giveaways
and seed shares thursdays and Saturday s and also Facebook has seed
swapping groups

20:45:38 From terry pinkston to Everyone:
For those near Rockville MD, I have a large selection of native
flowers and bushes and would be very happy to have someone collect seeds.

20:45:51 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
Remeadow.org

20:45:55 From margaretlchatham to Everyone:
Earth Sangha for plants grown from Fairfax County-collected seed

20:46:12 From Fawn Palmer__PresbyterianChurch EarthCareSteward and
ClimateAdvo to Everyone:
I agree. Keep focus on genetic diversity. Climate change is
happening. Being aware of having resilient populations of native plants
with genetic adaptations is important.

20:46:44 From Marilyn to Everyone:
Could you list these seed sources on the website?

20:47:11 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
Terry, What is your email address? chuck@igc.org

20:47:22 From Karen Anderson to Everyone:
Bona Terra has some plants grown from local ecotypes, in Anne
Arundel county

20:47:28 From dawneggenmona to Everyone:
Could you list them here?

20:47:35 From Kathy Daniel to Everyone:

Chesapeake Natives will let you collect seeds from their plants. Or at least the last executive director said I could.

20:47:49 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
USGS grows out local ecotypes to share

20:48:39 From terry pinkston to Everyone:
Terry email pinkston@swbell.net

20:49:26 From HD to Everyone:
Replying to "Could you list them ..."

Earth Sangha VA. I would be glad to give you seeds - email me at hessmuse@gmail.com. My plants are all from native sources

20:50:23 From dawneggenmona to Everyone:
Reacted to "Earth Sangha VA. I w..." with ðŸ'

20:51:14 From Susan to Everyone:
Replying to "For those near Rockv..."

Terry, I live in Rockville also. I'd really appreciate being able to collect native seeds. susanabresee@gmail.com? or 301 602-3616?

20:53:03 From Susan to Everyone:
Replying to "I planted seeds of C..."

Cynthia, I have too many Calycanthus suckers. Would you like some? The flowers have a lovely scent. The suckers are clones, but they'd flower sooner than plants from seeds/

20:53:29 From Susan to Everyone:
Replying to "I planted seeds of C..."

I live in Rockville, MD if you're close?

20:54:01 From Judy Fulton to Everyone:
Replying to "I planted seeds of C..."

Calycanthus isn't native to MD

20:54:13 From Alonso Abugattas, Capital Naturalist to Everyone:
Reacted to "Calycanthus isn't na..." with ðŸ'

20:55:05 From Susan to Everyone:
Replying to "How to propagate Spi..."

Chuck, I have too many Calycanthus suckers. Would you like some? I live in Rockville also. I planted some of the suckers along a fence.

20:55:36 From terry pinkston to Everyone:
Replying to "For those near Rockvâ€¦"
Iâ€™m home most days and would love to have you visit. 713-501-9752
iphone

20:58:00 From Susan to Everyone:
Replying to "How to propagate Spi..."

susanabresee@gmail.com

20:59:08 From Susan to Everyone:
What is Earth Tanga? I may not be hearing it right.

20:59:19 From Diane Beedle to Everyone:
Earth Sangha

20:59:20 From Alonso Abugattas, Capital Naturalist to Everyone:
Earth Sangha

20:59:24 From margaretlchatham to Everyone:

Earth Sangha
20:59:24 From Susan to Everyone:
Thanks
20:59:43 From Diane Beedle to Everyone:
<https://www.earthsangha.org>
21:00:23 From Kathy Daniel to Everyone:
You can volunteer with the inimitable Sam Droege at USGS Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge. He gives away local eco types of plants and lets people grow them out in his sprinkler areas. Amazingly generous!
21:00:40 From Gwendolyn Blankenship to Everyone:
what size wire mesh?
21:00:52 From HD to Everyone:
Reacted to "You can volunteer wi..." with 🙄
21:01:50 From terry pinkston to Everyone:
Try Hill House Native Plants in VA. Janet Davis has a very nice selection of natives that she grows.
21:01:57 From Tiffany Frazier to Everyone:
Looks like 1/2" wire mesh given the 4" pot size
21:02:13 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
Reacted to "You can volunteer wi..." with 🙄
21:02:33 From CDG ipad to Everyone:
So interesting.. thank you!
21:02:36 From Kelli Nachbar to Everyone:
Thank you so much! This was fantastic! 🙄
21:02:45 From Gwendolyn Blankenship to Everyone:
Reacted to "Looks like 1/2" wire..." with 🙄🙄
21:02:46 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
Sdroege@usgs.gov
21:02:57 From paula to Everyone:
Terrific thank you
21:03:21 From Liz Humes to Everyone:
Thank you! Great info and presentation
21:03:24 From Tiffany Frazier to Everyone:
Thank you!
21:03:42 From #Chuck Woolery Rockville to Everyone:
For finding neighbors with native plants...<https://marylandcorridors.wordpress.com>
21:03:52 From Susan to Everyone:
Thank you!!