On-line Resources for Native Gardening: A Few Suggestions

Maryland Native Plant Society

Landscaping with Native Plants

https://mdflora.org/resources/Publications/GardenersGuidelines/Landscaping-Natives.pdf

(PDF: A guide for home gardeners who want to enjoy and learn about native plants.)

National Audubon Society

Native Plants Database

https://www.audubon.org/native-plants

(Online database to search for native plants by zip code. Includes the birds attracted to different flora.)

US Fish and Wildlife Service

Native Plants for Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Gardening https://dnr.maryland.gov/criticalarea/Documents/chesapeakenatives.pdf

(PDF: This 83-page guide contains color photos of over 400 plant species native to the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, including all states with drainage to the Bay: Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and New York.)

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Creating a Wild Backyard - Hummingbirds, Butterflies & Bees https://dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/pages/habitat/wahumbutbee.aspx

(Online, printable: A guide for planting that helps attract hummingbirds, butterflies and bees. Native plant recommendations included.)

University of Maryland Extension Service*

*The University of Maryland provides extensive additional resources on native plants and native plant gardening including the specific few that are included below. Go to: https://extension.umd.edu/resources/ for more information.

Recommended Native Plants for Maryland

https://extension.umd.edu/resource/recommended-native-plants-maryland/

(On-line resource including recommendations for native selection.)

Introduction to Invasive Plants in Maryland

https://extension.umd.edu/resource/introduction-invasive-plants-maryland/

(Online description of major invasive plants in Maryland, including an explanation of why they are harmful.)

Master Gardener Program of Maryland

https://extension.umd.edu/programs/environment-natural-resources/program-areas/home-and-garden-information-center/master-gardener-program/

(On-line resource for gardening, including resources to answer gardening questions online.)

Plant Invaders of Mid-Atlantic Natural Areas: Field Guide

https://bugwoodcloud.org/imageSites/pdf/midatlantic-web.pdf

(PDF: An introduction to invasive plants to help identify, report, prevent, control and teach others about them.)

National Wildlife Federation, University of Delaware, US Forest Service

Commercially Available Host Plants for Butterflies and Moths
https://www.nwf.org/-/media/Documents/PDFs/Garden-for-Wildlife/Eco-Regions/Eastern-Temperate-Forests Plant-List.pdf

(Printable PDF providing a listing of keystone plants.)

Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia (MGNV)

Invasive Plants and Better Alternatives https://www.mgnv.org/invasives-plants/

(Online resource: A list of common invasive species with native plants you can use instead.)

Mt. Cuba Center

https://mtcubacenter.org/gardening-resources/featured-plants/

(A public garden in Delaware that specializes in native plant education and research. This particular link provides a list of native plants by season of interest. Other links on the site provide specific species information, including companion plants.)