

BAY FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING RESOURCES LIST

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Air Quality Issues

- Bay Area Air Quality Management District: - www.baaqmd.gov
- Understanding Air Quality, NOAA: www.oar.noaa.gov/weather/t_understanding.html

Alternatives to Pesticides

- Beyond Pesticides - www.beyondpesticides.org
- Bio-Integral Resource Center - www.birc.org
- Directory of Least-Toxic Pest Control Products, The IPM Practitioner, BIRC, (510) 524-1758, www.birc@igc.org
- EcoWise Certified - www.EcoWiseCertified.org
Certifies professional IPM service providers (structural pest control).
- Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides - www.pesticide.org
- Our Water - Our World - www.OurWaterOurWorld.org
A free “Ask the Expert” feature allows you to ask a specific pest-related question and get an answer on line
- The Gardener’s Guide to Common Sense Pest Control, William & Helga Olkowski and Sheila Daar, Taunton Press, 1995.

Bay-Friendly Standards, Tools, Resources, Recertification & Trainings

- *Bay-Friendly Landscape Guidelines*: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=428
- Bay-Friendly Landscape Publications (includes Scorecard):
www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=428 or www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=777
- Bay-Friendly Qualified Landscape Professional Network - a forum for Bay-Friendly Landscape Professionals to network, discuss issues, and to learn about professional opportunities and Bay-Friendly events and trainings. Open to those who have completed the Bay-Friendly Training fulfilled re-qualification requirements. To join this group: www.Linkedin.com
- *Bay-Friendly Rating Manual*: <http://www.epa.gov/waste/conserv/rrr/greenscapes/pubs/rating.pdf>
- Bay-Friendly Site Analysis Tool: www.stopwaste.org/docs/bay-friendly_site_analysis.doc
- BFL Plant Legend Template: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=777
- Bay-Friendly Plant Lists: Natural Hedges, Lawn Alternatives & Groundcovers, and Vegetated Swale: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=777
- Model Bay-Friendly Policies & Ordinances: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=434

- Re-Qualification Information – Call Lori Caldwell, Bay-Friendly Landscaping & Gardening Coalition, lori@bayfriendlycoalition.org or phone 925-922-3504

Bay-Friendly Standards, Tools, Resources, Recertification & Trainings Cont'd

- Trainings in the Bay Area (Find out where they're happening) – Go to www.bayfriendlycoalition.org
- Bay-Friendly Landscaping and Gardening Coalition: www.bayfriendlycoalition.org
- Bay-Friendly Qualified Landscape Professional Network – A forum for Bay-Friendly Landscape Professionals to network, discuss issues, and to learn about professional opportunities and Bay-Friendly events and trainings. Open to those who have completed the Bay-Friendly Training & Qualification program and fulfilled Re-qualification requirements. To join this group: www.Linkedin.com

Bee Gardens – See: Wildlife Habitat

Beneficial Insect Plants – See: Plants that Attract Beneficial Insects

Beneficial Insects – ID (also see Pest Identification)

- Catalog of Beneficials, Rincon-Vitova Insectaries, <http://www.rinconvitova.com/catalog-beneficials.htm>
- Natural Enemies Handbook - UC, Statewide IPM, ANR Publication 3386. Go to UC IPM Online at www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/NE/index.html
- The 10 Most Wanted Bugs in Your Garden – A colorful brochure featuring the 10 most popular beneficial insects in their adult and larval form. Available free from MCSTOPPP by calling 499-6528 or e-mailing mcstoppp@co.marin.ca.us

Beneficial Insects – Purchasing

- Harmony Farm Supply & Nursery – 707-823-1734
- Peaceful Valley Farm Supply – www.groworganic.com
- Rincon Vitova Insectaries – www.rinconvitova.com

Birds – See Wildlife Habitat

Bio-Retention Facilities – See Rainwater Management

Build It Green

- Marin County Sustainability Team - www.marinsustainability.org

Butterfly Gardens and Pollinator Conservation – See Wildlife Habitat

Buy Local

Cisterns – See Rainwater Management Compost (Also refer to Soil Health & Biology)

- CalRecycle - www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics
Publications on choosing compost along with listings of compost and mulch producers.
- CalRecycle, California's recycling and waste reduction information site provides instructions for composting and making compost tea along with resources for purchasing bins and compost: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Organics/HomeCompost>
- Compost – A Guide for Evaluating and Using Compost Materials as Soil Amendments, www.soilandplantlaboratory.com/pdf/articles/CompostAGuideForUsing.pdf
- Composting Council Research and Educational Foundation: Information on the “Seal of Testing Assurance Program” for ensuring compost quality - <http://tmecc.org/sta/index.html>
- Field Guide to Compost Use, U.S. Composting Council, 1996. (631-737-4931) or email uscc@compostingcouncil.org or www.compostingcouncil.org
- Let it Rot: The Home Gardener's Guide to Composting, Storey Publishing, 1990.
- Roots Demystified, Robert Kourik, Metamorphic Press, 2008.
- Secrets to Great Soil: A Growers Guide to Composting, Mulching and Creating Healthy, Fertile Soil For Your Garden and Lawn, Elizabeth Stell, Storey Publishing, 1998.
- Teeming with Microbes, Jeff Lowenfels, Ten Speed Press, 2006.
- US Composting Council Standard Testing Assurance Program, explanation and list of participating producers can be found at: www.compostingcouncil.org

Compost and/or Mulch – Where to Purchase

- American Soil Products, A & S Landscape Materials, 565 A Jacoby Street, San Rafael, CA 94901, (415) 456-1381 or www.americansoilans.com
- CCL Organics, 1460 Goodyear Road, Benecia, CA 94510, 707-751-0466, www.cclorganics.com
- Contra Costa Topsoil, 5030 Imhoff Drive, Martinez, CA 94553, 925-228-4007, www.contracostatopsoil.com (also carries bioswale material approved by Contra Costa County Clean Water Program)
- Grab n' Grow Soil Products, 2759 Llano Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95407, (707) 575-7275
- Grover Environmental, 2825 Kiernan Ave., Modesto, CA 95356, (209) 545-4401 or 1-800-585-4401
- Harmony Farm Supply, 3244 Highway 116N, Sebastopol, CA 95472, www.harmonyfarm.com
- Mallard Mulch, Sonoma Compost, <http://www.sonomacompost.com/product.shtml>
- Malibu Compost – www.malibucompost.com
- Mango Mulch, Green Point Nursery, Novato: 415-892-2442
- Marin County Arborists – Offers a *free wood chip delivery* program (Many other arborists do as well. Check your phone book and call them). Call them at 415-457-8733 or email

info@marincountyarborists.com (**Other tree care companies do similar programs** – e.g. Bartlett Tree Experts, Guastucci Tree Service, and Treemaster/Tamalpais Tree Service.)

Compost and/or Mulch – Where to Purchase – Cont'd

- Marin Landscape Materials, Novato: 415-897-1337
- Martin Brothers Supply, 232 Shoreline Highway, Mill Valley, CA 04041, (415) 388-2025
- Peaceful Valley Farm Supply, PO Box 2209, Grass Valley, CA 95945, www.GrowOrganic.com
- Pt. Reyes Compost Company, 415-663-9497, www.prcompostco.com Also available in local stores.
- Redwood Landfill, Novato – Waste Management EarthCare Mulch and/or Homegrown Compost from local residential food scraps and yard trimmings. 510-613-8720
- Sonoma Compost, 550 Meachem Road, Petaluma, CA 94952, (707) 664-9113
<http://www.sonomacompost.com/>

Compost Bins (Where to Purchase)

- Composters.com - www.composters.com or (800) 233-8438
- Gardener's Supply - www.gardeners.com or (800) 427-3363
- Harmony Farm Supply and Nursery, 3244 Hwy 116 North, Sebastopol CA, (707) 823-1734, www.harmonyfarm.com
- Smith and Hawken, www.smithandhawken.com or (800) 940-1170
- Peaceful Valley Farm Supply, www.groworganic.com or (888) 784-1722
- Novato Disposal (customers only – bins available for \$69 each)
415-897-4177 (This is evolving. Check with your garbage company.)

Compost Tea/Brewers (also refer to handouts by Alane Weber from Class 1)

- Biologic Systems, LLC of Penny Valley CA: www.biologicsystemsusa.com
- Compost Tea Brewing Manual (available from The Soil Food Web program) www.soilfoodweb.com or <http://www.earthfort.com/shopexd.asp?id=18>
- Compost Tea Industry Association - www.composttea.org
- Compost Tea Brewing Manual: (available from The Soil Food Web program) www.soilfoodweb.com or <http://www.earthfort.com/shopexd.asp?id=18>
- Compost Tea Industry Association : www.composttea.org
- Earth Fortification, Inc. - www.earthfort.com
- EM1 - <http://www.emearth.com/> (can be added to compost tea)
- Growing Solutions – 541-343-8727 or www.growingsolutions.com
- KIS – Keep It Simple, Inc. - www.simplici-tea.com
- Lyngso Garden Materials, Inc. of Redwood City CA - www.lyngsogarden.com
- Nature's Solution, Petaluma, CA: www.nature-technologies.com
- Sonoma Valley Worm Farm – 800-447-6996 or 707-996-8561
http://www.sonomavalleyworms.com/Sonoma_Valley_Worms/Compost_Tea.html
- Sustainable Agriculture Technologies, Inc. - www.composttea.com
- Willamette Organics, Inc. - www.willametteorganics.com
- www.nature-technologies.com - Carole Ann Rollins, Petaluma, CA
- www.microbeorganics.com

Constructed Wetlands

- www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/watersheds/cwetlands.html

Continuing Education - (Units for continuing education may be available from the following sources, though other sources may be available as well. When you decide on a class, contact the Bay-Friendly Coalition to make sure the class you choose is accepted for CE credits applied to your BFL re-qualification.)

- Bay-Friendly Coalition: www.bayfriendlycoalition.org
- California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA) (916) 830-2780, <http://www.c.ca.org>
- College of Marin: www.marincommunityed.org
- Daily Acts - <http://www.daily-acts.org/>
- Dominican University's Green MBA Program: http://www.greenmba.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogsection&id=4&Itemid=26
- Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program: 415-499-3202 or www.mcstoppp.org
- Marin Municipal Water District: www.marinwater.org
- Sonoma State University, Sustainable Landscape Professional Certificate Program: (707) 664-2394, <http://www.sonoma.edu/sustainablelandscape>

Deer Resistant Plants

- Mostly Natives - <http://www.mostlynatives.com/deer.htm>

Erosion Control (Plants good for)

- <http://www.abag.ca.gov/abag/overview/pub/erosion.html>
- what to avoid in seed mixes used for erosion control: *Know What You Sow* list - [Click here](#)

Fire Resistant Plants

- *California Wildfire Landscaping*, Maureen Gilmer, Taylor Publishing, 1994.
- California Fire Safe Council, www.FireSafeCouncil.org
- Fire Safe Marin - www.firesafemarin.org and their fire-wise plant list at <http://www.firesafemarin.org/plantlist.htm>
- *Home Landscaping for Fire*, UC Davis, by G. Nader. Pub # 8228 <http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/FreePublications/8228.aspx>
- "Plants with a Favorable Fire Performance Rating," Diablo Firesafe Council, 1404 Franklin St. #300, Oakland, CA 94612, 877-725-6803, www.diablofiresafe.org/tolerance.html

Green Business

- Becoming A Green Business in Marin – Contact Dana Armanino at Marin County Community Development Agency, 415-499-XXXX

Coordinated by Gina Purin, Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program, San Rafael, CA with support from Debi Tidd Consulting. For more information or to reproduce, contact Gina Purin at 415-499-3202.

Greywater Systems

- www.oasisdesign.net
- www.watercasa.org
- www.dig.coop
- California Uniform Plumbing Code Appendix G (Revised 2008)
- Ecology House, Berkeley – www.ecologycenter.org/directory/
- Greywater Alliance – www.greywateralliance.org
- Greywater Action - www.greywateraction.org
- The New Create an Oasis with Greywater: Choosing, Building and Using Greywater Systems,
Art Ludwig, Oasis Design, 2006.

Hardscape – See Permeable Surfaces

Hazardous Waste Disposal

- **Novato Only:**
Residents – 892-7344
Businesses – 892-6395
- **All Other Areas of Marin:**
Residents – 485-6806
Businesses – 485-5648
- **Used Motor Oil and Recycling**
The above facilities and other locations in the County. Go to
<http://mcstoppp.org/oil.htm> or call 1-800-cleanup
- **Marin Recycles**
www.marinrecycles.org

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

- ANR Catalog, University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources, publications, videos and DVD's on pest management: 1-800-994-8849, <http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/CatalogRequest.aspx>
- Bio-Integral Resource Center – www.birc.org
- Biological Solutions for Pest Management – Rincon-Vitova Insectaries: www.rinconvitova.com
- Healthy Roses: Environmentally Friendly Ways to Manage Pests and Disorders in Your Garden and Landscape, Mary Louise Flint, Statewide IPM Project. U.C. Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, 2000. (510) 642-2431.
- IPM Institute of North America – www.ipminstitute.org
- Natural Enemies Handbook: The Illustrated Guide to Biological Pest Control, Mary Louise Flint and Steve Dreistadt, UC Press, 1998.
- OMRI Generic Materials List, a directory of substances allowed and prohibited in organic production and handling: <http://omri.org/>
- Our Water Our World – Has fact sheets on pest management strategies and a **free** “Ask the Expert” feature allows you to ask a specific pest-related question and get an answer on line. Go to www.ourwaterourworld.org/

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) – Cont'd

- Pests of the Small Garden and Farm – A Growers Guide to Using Less Pesticides, Mary Louise Flint, UC Press 2000.
- Pests of Landscape Trees and Shrubs, Mary Louise Flint, UC Press, 1994.
- The Gardener's Guide to Common Sense Pest Control, William & Helga Olkowski and Sheila Daar, Taunton Press, 1995.
- UC Statewide IPM - www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/menu.homegarden.html

Invasive Plants and Trees (also see Weeds)

- Plant Right - www.plantright.org
- California Invasive Plant Council, www.cal-ipc.org, brochures include *Don't Plant a Pest! Trees in California* and *Don't Plant a Pest! Garden Plants of the Greater SF Bay Area*.
- Know What You Sow – knowing plants to avoid having in seed mixes - [Click here](#)
- National Invasive Species Information Center: www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/laws/execorder.shtml
- Stop the spread of invasives - www.deeproot.com or go directly to <http://www.deeproot.com/products/geomembranes/geomembranes-overview.html>

Irrigation Supplies/Smart Controllers – (Also See Water Conservation & Efficiency)

- Ewing Irrigation, 2462 Polvorosa Ave., San Leandro, 510-527-9530, ewing@ewing1.com
- Harmony Farm Supply, 3244 Gravenstein Highway North, Sebastopol 95472, (707) 823-4125, www.harmonyfarm.com
- Horizon Irrigation, 7144 Regional Street, Dublin, 925-551-8383.
- John Deere Landscapes, 6450 Trinity Court, #B, Dublin, CE 925-829-6040.
- Occidental Arts and Ecology, 15290 Coleman Valley Road, Occidental, CA 95465, (707) 874-1557, www.oaec.org/
- The Urban Farmer Store, 2121 San Joaquin Street, Richmond, 94804, (510) 524-1604.
- Watersavers Irrigation, 1818 Arnold Industrial Place, Units E & F, Concord, CA, 925-691-9115

Lawn Care/Replacement

- All-Weather Turf: Italgreen, carried by Shamrock Building Materials, 415-455-1575
http://www.shamrocknaturalstone.com/images/ItalGreenBrochure_E.pdf
- Beyond Pesticides Lawn Care: Pesticide Hazards and Alternatives
<http://www.beyondpesticides.org/lawn/index.htm>
- California native sod blends, Delta Bluegrass Company, 800-637-8873,
<http://www.deltabluegrass.com>
- Chemical Free Lawn, Warren Schultz, Rodale Press, 1989.

Lawn Care/Replacement – Cont'd

- Kiss Your Grass Goodbye by Sarah Sutton
- Lawn and Residential Landscape Pest Control: A Guide for Maintenance Gardeners, UC Pub # 3510 Call 1-800-994-8849 or <http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Items/3510.aspx>
- Lawn Watering Guide, Alameda County Water District, www.acwd.org/wc_landscape.php5
- Lawn Conversion Rebates – Contact your local water agency: MMWD at 945-1455 or NMWD at 897-4133
- Lose the Lawn by Middlebrook Gardens – www.losethelawn.com
- National Coalition for Pesticides Free Lawns
<http://www.beyondpesticides.org/pesticidefreelawns/index.htm>
- Rainbow Landscapes & Ecoalliance. EcoAlliance Artificial Grass www.betterthanrealgrass.com or 415-456-2169
Showroom: 76 Belvedere St., San Rafael
Also carries synthetic grass for erosion control
- Sprinkler Scheduling in 15 Minutes, Tim Wilson, Billah Publications, Cheney WA
- Sustainable Turf Care, <http://attra.ncat.org/attra-pub/turfcare.html>
- Synthetic Turf Safety Issues, Environment and Human Health, Inc. <http://www.ehhi.org/turf/>
- Turfgrass Identification Tool, www.agry.purdue.edu/turf/tool/index.html
- UC Guide to Healthy Lawns, / www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/TOOLS/TURF/

Living Roofs

- Bay Localize - www.baylocalize.org/
- EPA - www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/watersheds/cwetlands.html
- Green Roofs for Healthy Cities - <http://www.greenroofs.org>
- Use Your Roof Guidebook (You will need to give your e-mail address to enter this site for a free download of the book. This booklet is for rain catchment, roof gardens and solar) Download it at <http://www.baylocalize.org/forms/use-your-roof>

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- USGBC – www.usgbc-ncc.org

Living Walls

- Patrick Blanc Vertical Garden - <http://www.verticalgardenpatrickblanc.com/mainen.php>
- Learn more about Living Walls - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Green_wall

- How to Plant and hang a Living Wall - <http://www.howcast.com/videos/151639-How-To-Plant-and-Hang-a-Living-Wall-Garden>
- Woolly Pockets – Go to: <http://www.woollypocket.com>

Low Impact Development (Also see Creek Restoration Products, Living Roofs, Permeable Surfaces, Rainwater Management, and Stormwater)

- California Water & Land Use Partnership: www.coastal.ca.gov/nps/lid-factsheet.pdf
- California BMP Handbooks – www.cabmphandbooks.com
- California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA) has produced a comprehensive guide to environmentally sound landscaping practices. *The Resource Recovery Hand-Book: Tips for an Environmentally Sensitive Green Industry* is available for a nominal fee by contacting CLCA, 2021 N. Street #300, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 448-2522.
- CASQA Handbook – See Section 5.7 on vegetated swales, retention basins, rain gardens, etc. <http://www.cabmphandbooks.com/Development.asp>
- Creating Pervious Surfaces for New Development - <http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/SAS%20Matrix.pdf>
- Green Streets Infrastructure: San Francisco Estuary Project: www.sfestuary.org/podcast
Videos and podcasts on soils and plants as pollution filters, stormwater management and stormwater treatment systems that filter pollutants, parking strip landscaping, and rain gardens. Many local examples.
- Introduction to Stormwater - Concept – Purpose – Design by Bruce Ferguson:
http://books.google.com/books?id=I6QYkgP7q7EC&printsec=frontcover&dq=Bruce+Ferguson,+stormwater&source=bl&ots=urqjLtyLMH&sig=LmNpUk3qACW5xgNrM3aMbB6j1OA&hl=en&ei=3lJrS4LMBpL-tQORmOWtAw&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=7&ved=0CB0Q6AEwBg#v=onepage&q=&f=false
- Low Impact Development: A Sensible Approach to Land Development and Stormwater Management: California Water and Land Use Partnership – www.coastal.ca.gov/nps/lid-factsheet.pdf
- Low Impact Development Center: www.lowimpactdevelopment.org.
- Low Impact Development Urban Tools Website – www.lid-stormwater.net
- *Multi-Family Green Point Rater Verification Manual*, July 2007, Build It Green: www.builditgreen.org/greenpoint-rated/guidelines
- San Mateo County Sustainable Green Streets and Parking Lots Design Guidebook, First Edition: January 2009. http://www.flowstobay.org/ms_sustainable_streets.php
- SEA Alternatives (Sheet Edge Alternatives)
http://www.seattle.gov/UTIL/About_SPU/Drainage_&Sewer_System/Natural_Drainage_Systems/Street_Edge_Alternatives/SPU_001805.asp

Low Impact Development – Cont'd

- Start at the Source, 1999 – Design Guidance Manual that includes information on infiltration systems, permeable pavements, site design, etc.
<http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/StartattheSourceManual.pdf>
- Stormwater Infiltration by Bruce Ferguson: http://books.google.com/books?id=V-eUzzdGgoQC&dq=Bruce+Ferguson&printsec=frontcover&source=in&hl=en&ei=vFFrS-y7D4WmswPdqtCaAw&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=19&ved=0CDkQ6AEwEg#v=onepage&q=&f=false
- Stormwater Runoff Calculator Instructions - http://extension.ucdavis.edu/unit/center_for_water_and_land_use/pdf/stormwater_runoff.pdf
- Stormwater Runoff Volume Calculator - <http://pepi.ucdavis.edu/mapinfo/cal/volcal.xls>
- Stormwater Quality Manual for Development Projects in Marin County: A Low Impact Development Approach - http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/GuidanceforApplicantsv_2-5-08.pdf
- Sustainable Sites Initiative, Preliminary Report on the Standards and Guidelines: www.sustainablesites.org/report
- Tree People – Andy Lipkis - www.treepeople.org
- Using Site Design Techniques to Meet Development Standards for Stormwater Quality (a companion piece to Start at the Source) May 2003 - <http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/UsingSiteDesignTechniques.pdf>
- **VIDEO: To view Slow the Flow - Make Your Landscape Act More Like a Sponge, go to http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/stormfilm/slow_the_flow.shtml**

Medicinal and Theme Gardens

- University of Washington Medicinal Herb Garden – Take a virtual stroll and gather info on more than 1,000 species in it's 2.5 acres of greenhouses and rounds: <http://nml.gov/pnr/uwmbg/>

Mulch – Also See Compost/Mulch - Where to Purchase

- *A Bay-Friendly Landscaping Guide to Mulch*: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=428

Mulching - Purchasing Cardboard for Sheet Mulching

- North Bay Paper Company – 2190 S McDowell Blvd, #B, Petaluma, CA, 94954 (800-734-2772 or 707-778-5170). www.northbaypaper.com
- Monahan Paper – 175 2nd St., Oakland, CA 94605, or (510)835-4670
- The Urban Farmer Store – Mill Valley at (415) 380-3840 or Richmond at 2121 San Joaquin St, (510) 524-1604; www.urbanfarmerstore.com

Native Grasses

- California Native Grasslands Association - www.cnga.org
- Native Grass Study Kit - www.marin.cc.ca.us/cnps/GrassStudyKit.html

Native Plants (Also check under Native Plants – Where to Buy Them)

- Bay-Friendly Plant Lists: www.stopwaste.org/home/index.asp?page=777
 - Natural Hedges
 - Lawn Alternatives and Groundcovers
 - Vegetated Swales
- Calflora - www.calflora.org (Wild CA Plants – both native and weeds)
- California Native Plant Link Exchange, to locate native plants in your area, www.cnplx.info
- California Native Plant Society, Marin Chapter – www.marin.cc.ca.us/cnps/index.html or go to www.cnps.org
- California Native Plants for the Garden, Carole Bornstein, Caluma Press, 2005
- Flowering Plants (Native) – www.marin.cc.ca.us/cnps/FlowerStudyKit.html
- Go Native: Using Native Plants for your Yard, Patio and Creek. Available for your clients from Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program, 499-6528 or mcstoppp@co.marin.ca.us
- Green Nature – Check photos – particularly under Wildlife and World of Nature - at <http://greennature.com>
- Habitat Plants – www.nativehabitats.org
- Know what you Sow – knowing plants to avoid having in seed mixes - [Click here](#)
- Las Pilitas Nursery, extensive information on growing natives, 2121 Las Pilitas Rd., Santa Margarita, CA, (805) 438-5992, www.laspilitas.com
- Marin Flora, An Illustrated Manual of the Flowering Plants, Ferns and Conifers of Marin County, California by John Thomas Howell, Frank Almeda, Wilma Folette, and Catherine Best. Revised Illustrated Edition, California Academy of Sciences [CAS] and California Native Plant Society [CNPS](Marin Chapter), 2007. Published by the CAS, 875 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. The book provides a brief description of every genus species found in Marin - native and non native - and where they can be found. This edition has some nice pen and ink illustrations and lovely color photographs, too. It's an update of the Marin Flora of 1949 and 1970 second edition.

(The CNPS book sales person is Lenore Prischmann at springgreen8@aol.com

She sets up a book sale for the 1/2 hour before the regular meeting of the CNPS at 8pm, the second Monday of the month at The Redwoods, 41 Camino Alto Ave. in Mill Valley.)

- Marin Headlands Native Plant Nursery – www.parksconservancy.org (Volunteer to collect native plant seed from the Fort Baker and Rodeo watersheds to grow for habitat restoration projects in those areas of the park. It also supports the propagation of historic species for Alcatraz Garden restoration.)
- Native Treasures: Gardening with the Plants of California, Nevin M. Smith, UC Press, 2006.
- Plant Communities of Marin County - www.marin.cc.ca.us/cnps/communities.html

Native Plants - Cont'd

- Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates, East Bay Municipal Utility District, Oakland, CA 2004, www.ebmud.com .
- Plants of the San Francisco Bay Region, Linda Beidleman and Eugene N. Kozloff, UC Press, 2003.
- Sunset Plant Finder – www.sunset.com/plantfinder
- The American Meadow Garden, John Greenlee, Timber Press, 2009

Native Plants (Where to Buy Them)

- Annie's Annuals, 740 Market Ave., Richmond, CA 94805, www.anniesannuals.com
- Bay Natives - www.baynatives.com (online only)
- Buckeye Nursery, Petaluma – www.buckeyenursery.com or 707-559-7081
- CA Native Garden Foundation – www.cngf.org or call Alrie Middlebrook at 408-297-0898
- CA Native Plant Society - www.cnps.org
- California Flora -2990 Somers Street, Fulton, 95439, (707) 528-8813 www.calfloranursery.com
- California Native Plant Exchange – www.cnplx.info/
- Cornflower Farms, 9811 Sheldon Rd. PO Box 8906, Elk Grove, CA 95759, (916) 689-1015, www.cornflowerfarms.com
- Digging Dog Nursery, PO Box 471, Albion CA, 95410, www.diggingdog.com
- Go Native (a publication of MCSTOPPP – call 415-499-6528 for a free copy) – Page 4 lists local nurseries.
- Green Jean's, Mill Valley – 415-389-8333
- Harmony Farm Supply, 3244 Gravenstein Hwy. North, Sebastopol, CA 95472, (707) 823-9125, www.harmonyfarm.com
- Larner Seeds, Bolinas - <http://www.larnerseeds.com/index.html> or 415-868-9407
- Las Pilitas Nursery - Las Pilitas Rd., Santa Margarita, CA, (805) 438-5992, www.laspilitas.com/plants/plants.htm
- Mostly Natives, Tomales - 27235 Highway One, Tomales, CA 94971, (707) 878-2009, www.mostlynatives.com
- Native Here Nursery, 101 Golf Course Road, Berkeley, CA 94708, (510) 549-0211, <http://www.ebcnps.org/nativehere.html>

Native Plants (Where to Buy Them) Cont'd

- North Coast Native Nursery, Petaluma – 2710 Chileno Valley Rd., Petaluma, CA (707) 769-1213 www.northcoastnativenursery.com
- Occidental Arts and Ecology, 15290 Coleman Valley Road, Occidental, CA 95465, (707) 874-1557, www.oaec.org

- O'Donnell's Nursery, Fairfax – 453-0372
- Peaceful Valley Farm and Garden Supply, www.GrowOrganic.com
- Plant Native - http://www.plantnative.com/nd_ca.htm
- Regional Parks Botanic Garden, South Park Drive and Wildcat Canyon Rd., Tilden Regional Park, Berkeley, CA 94108, www.nativeplants.org. (Annual plant sales and some sales by appointment on Thursday mornings.)
- Seedhunt, Freedom, CA 95019, www.seedhunt.com
- Seeds of Change, PO Box 15700, Santa Fe, NM 87592, www.seedsofchange.com
- Sierra Azul Nursery, 2660 East Lake Ave (Hwy 152), Watsonville, CA 95076, (831) 763-0939, www.sierraazul.com
- Yerba Buena Nursery, 19500 Skyline Blvd., Woodside, CA 94062, (650) 851-1668, www.yerbabuenanursery.com
- Theodore Payne Foundation for Wild Flowers and Native Plants, 10459 Tuxford St., SunValley, CA 91352, (818) 768-1802, www.theodorepayne.org
- The Watershed Nursery, Richmond – www.thewatershednursery.com or 510-234-2222

Oak Trees & Sudden Oak Death

- California Oak Mortality Task Force - <http://nature.berkeley.edu/comtf>
- California Oak Foundation - www.californiaoaks.org
- Sudden Oak Death - www.suddenoakdeath.org
- Janis Alexander, UCCE, Sudden Oak Death Outreach Coordinator, 415-499-4204
- A Field Guide to Insects and Pathogens of California Oaks, Tedmund J. Swiecki and Elizabeth A. Bernhardt, US Dept of Agriculture, General Technical Report PSW-GTR-197, download from: www.suddenoakdeath.org/pdf/psw_gtr197.pdf
- Living Among the Oaks: A Management Guide for Landowners, University of California Integrated Hardwood Range Management Program. Copies available from (510) 642-0095 or order online at <http://danr.ucop.edu/ihrmp/pubreq/living.pdf>
- Oaks in the Urban Landscape, L Costello, B Hagen, K Jones, University of California, 2011 (Can order from ANR at 1-800-994-8849)

Oak Trees (Planting around)

- Compatible Plants Under and Around Oaks
<http://www.californiaoaks.org/ExtAssets/CompatiblePlantsUnder&AroundOaks.pdf>
- Las Pilitas Nursery - www.laspilitas.com/plants/plants.htm
- Living Among the Oaks
<http://danr.ucop.edu/ihrmp/pubreq/living.pdf>
- Gardening Around Oaks by “Mostly Natives” - <http://www.mostlynatives.com/oak.htm>
- Oak Tree Help
http://www.laspilitas.com/groups/oaks/oak_tree_help.html

Permeable Surfaces

- American Soil & Stone – Located in Richmond (510-292-3000) and San Rafael (415-456-1381) Go to www.americansoil.com
- Bricks – McNear Brickyard in San Rafael
- CA Asphalt Pavement Association - <http://www.californiapavements.org/stormwater.html>
- CalStone Hardscape Connection – www.calstone.com (North Bay: 209-833-7366)
- Concrete Promotion Council of Northern California www.cpcnc.org
- Creating Pervious Surfaces for New Development & Redevelopment
<http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/SAS%20Matrix.pdf>
- EnviroCrete – The West Coast Pervious Concrete Contractor – www.envirocreteinc.com or 916-991-9010
- Grassy Pavers – www.grassypavers.com
- Hardscapes – Brian McThorn, 209-786-8002 or brian.mcthorn@comcast.net
- Hydro-Flow Technology Pavers – Pacific Interlock Pavingstone Co. 408-257-3645 or www.pacinterlock.com
- Interlocking Concrete Paver Institute (ICPI) – www.icpi.org
- Marin Landscape Materials - 7596 Redwood Blvd, Novato, CA 415 897-1337
- National Ready Mixed Concrete Association – <http://www.nrmca.org/>
- Pacific Interlock Pavingstone – Paul Hathaway at jphath@gmail.com or go to www.pacinterlock.com

Permeable Surfaces – Cont'd

- Paver Products and Resources – www.paversearch.com
- Pervious Pavement (Low Impact Development)
http://extension.ucdavis.edu/unit/center_for_water_and_land_use/pervious_pavement.asp and also www.perviouspavement.org
- Porous Asphalt - http://www.pavegreen.com/pdfs/Better_Water_Quality.pdf
- Porous Pavement (includes grassy pavers) – www.prestogeo.com (Reed & Graham, Bruce Adams, 1-888-381-0800 or 916-425-7070 or brucea@rginc.com or www.rginc.com/geo)
- Pervious Concrete in clay soils:
http://www.concreteresources.net/images/graphics/Darcy_Columns.pdf
- Porous Pavements: The Overview by Bruce Ferguson - <http://www.rmc-foundation.org/images/PCRC%20Files/Applications%20&%20Case%20Studies/Porous%20Pavements%20-%20The%20Overview.pdf>
- Rich Readimix Concrete – 101 Rich St, Greenbrae, CA 415 924-1040
- Shamrock Building Materials – 415-455-1575 or www.shamrocknaturalstone.com
- Soil Retention - <http://www.soilretention.com> has several plantable concrete systems: Enviroflex and Verdura are often used in creek restoration. Enviroflex comes in two sizes: 4” thick and 6” thick and the 4” is good for small projects. Both products could be useful for residential landscaping projects as well.
- Start at the Source, 1999 – Design Manual that includes information on infiltration systems, permeable pavements, site design, etc. :
<http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/StartattheSourceManual.pdf>
- Stormwater Infiltration by Bruce Ferguson: http://books.google.com/books?id=V-eUzzdGgoQC&dq=Bruce+Ferguson&printsec=frontcover&source=in&hl=en&ei=vFFrS-y7D4WmswPdqtCaAw&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=19&ved=0CDkQ6AEwEg#v=onepage&q=&f=false
- Synthetic Turf Safety Issues, Environment and Human Health, Inc. <http://www.ehhi.org/turf/>
- System Pavers – www.SystemPavers.com or 1-866-728-8300

Pest Identification (also see Beneficial Insects and Plant Diseases)

- BugGuide: Identification, images and information - <http://bugguide.net/node/view/15740>
- California Insects, Jerry A. Powell and Charles L. Hogue, UC Press, 1979.
- Identification, images and information - <http://bugguide.net/node/view/15740>
- Landscape Pests Identification Cards, Larry Strand, Jack Kelly Clark, Statewide IPM Program, UC, Agriculture and Natural Resources Publication 3513, 2009, (800) 994-8849
- Marin Master Gardeners – 415-499-4204 or <http://cemarlin.ucdavis.edu>
- *Pest Identification in person*: Bring it to the Marin County Department of Agriculture (499-6700) and/or Marin Master Gardeners (499-4202) at 1682 Novato Blvd., Novato. Both are currently located in the same building.
- UC IPM Online, www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/NE/index.html provides a series of fact sheets on pests and diseases.

Pesticide Databases

- Pesticide Fate Database - <http://cfpub.epa.gov/pfate/index.cfm>
Exposure characterizations and predictions of pesticide fates in the environment.

Pesticide Free Zone Signs (for gardens)

- Available from Marin Beyond Pesticides. Go to www.pesticidefreezone.org The signs are 8 inches in diameter and are aluminum enameled circles that will not rust and will retain their bright colors for years. Available in English stating "Pesticide Free Zone" or in Spanish "Zona Libre de Pesticidas" .
You can also call 459-1391.

Pet Friendly Gardens (Also see Plants, Poisonous)

- ASPCA Toxic Plant List - <http://www.asPCA.org/pet-care/poison-control/plants>
- Non-Toxic Plants -
http://www.petfriendlyhouse.com/information/Plants/non_poisonous_plants.aspx

Plant Diseases (Also see Pest Identification)

- Abiotic Disorders of Landscape Plants by Larry Costello (ANR 3420)
- Abiotic Disorders of Landscape Plants by Larry Costello (ANR 3420)
- Bugs of Northern California, John Acorn, Lone Pine Publishing, 2002.
- California Insects, Jerry A. Powell and Charles L. Hogue, UC Press, 1979
- Pests of the Garden and Small Farm - Mary Louise Flint, UC, Statewide IPM, ANR or http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/IPMPROJECT/ADS/manual_gardenfarms.html

Plant Diseases – Cont'd

- [Pests of Landscape, Trees, and Shrubs](http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/IPMPROJECT/ADS/manual_landscape.html) - UC, Statewide IPM or http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/IPMPROJECT/ADS/manual_landscape.html
- [The Gardener's Guide to Common Sense Pest Control](#), William & Helga Olkowski and Sheila Daar, Taunton Press, 1995.

Plant Lists – Bio-Retention Facilities

- [Native Rain Garden](http://www.native-raingarden.com), www.native-raingarden.com
- [Plants Suitable for Your Rain Garden](http://groups.ucanr.org/sonomamg/files/53815.pdf), <http://groups.ucanr.org/sonomamg/files/53815.pdf>
- Plant lists for bio-retention facilities.
http://www.eoainc.com/download/ACCWP_C3_Technical_Guidance_090506-300dpi.pdf
(beginning on page 141)
<http://www.californiagreensolutions.com/cgi-bin/gt/tpl.h,content=1112>
http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb3/stormwater/municipal/phase_1/documents/dsp_documents/sect_4.4_LID%20Plant%20list_12%2027%2006.pdf
- Using Bio-Retention on Residential Lots – www.mcstoppp.org or go directly to http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/Bioretenation_Residential_11-3-08.pdf

Plant Maps (also see Soil Maps)

- USDA Plant hardiness zones - <http://www.plantmaps.com/interactive-california-usda-plant-zone-hardiness-map.php>

Plants that Attract Beneficial Insects

- Mostly Natives - www.mostlynatives.com/beyondbutterflies.htm

Plants that Attract Birds (See Wildlife Habitat)

Plants – Fire Resistant (See Fire-Resistant Plants)

Plants, Native (See Native Plants & Grasses)

Plants – Good for Pets (See Pet-Friendly Gardens)

Plants, Poisonous

- CA Poison Control – www.calpoison.org or for a more direct link to plants, go to <http://www.calpoison.org/hcp/KNOW%20YOUR%20PLANTS-plant%20list%20for%20CPCS%2009B.pdf> (even some non-toxic plants can cause vomiting in humans and animals)
- Know Your Plants - www.calpoison.com/public/plants.html
- *Handbook of Poisonous and Injurious Plants*, Lewis S. Nelson, New York Botanical Garden, 2007.
- *North American Guide to Common Poisonous Plants and Mushrooms*, Nancy Turner and Patrick von Aderkas, Timber Press, 2009
- *Wicked Plants: the Weed That killed Lincoln's Mother & Other Botanical Atrocities*, by Amy Stewart, Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill, 2009.

Ponds/ Aquaculture

- www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/backyard/bkpond.html
- www.aquanic.org
- www.was.org/
- www.wildsalmon.org

Plants – Water Efficient (Also see Native Plants & Grasses)

- <http://www.sonoma.watersavingplants.com/sonoma.php>

Rain Garden Plant Lists (See: Plant Lists - Bio-Retention Facilities)

Raingutters

- “Making Rain Gutters Work,” reprinted from January 2007 Home Preservation Newsletter:
<http://www.harvestthe2o.com/raingutters.shtml>
- Raintube from GLI Systems Inc. (Eco-Friendly Rain Water Control and Collection) –
www.gutterloveit.com or call 866-724-6356

Rainwater Management – Also known as rainwater harvesting and rainwater catchment – May include rain gardens, cisterns, bio-retention facilities, living roofs, etc. (Also see info under Low Impact Development)

- American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association, Northern California Chapter:
www.wiserearth.org/group/arcsanorcal
- ARCSA - www.arcsa.org
- Article in SF Gate (SF Chron) on rainwater harvesting –
<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2008/12/06/HOTB1496A4.DTL>
- Art Ludwig - www.oasisdesign.net/water/rainharvesting/index.htm
- Bio-Retention Systems: Rain gardens and bio-swales -
http://extension.ucdavis.edu/unit/center_for_water_and_land_use/soil_based.asp
- Brad Lancaster - www.harvestingrainwater.com
- California Rainwater Conservation Systems - 415-454-2816 or
<http://www.calrainwater.com/> or <http://calrainwater.com/RainBarrelSale.html>
- California’s Integrated Water Re-Use Management Center - <http://www.whollyh2o.org>

Rainwater Management – Cont'd

- Centre for Science and Environment -Rainwater Harvesting Technology and Systems at www.rainwaterharvesting.org
- Create Your Rain Garden by Sustainable Fairfax: - www.sustainablefairfax.org or 415-455-9114.
- Definition of rain garden: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rain_garden
- DesignEcology Landscape Architecture and Ecological Design Consultation, Josiah Cain, 146 East Blithedale Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941, (415) 888-8518, <http://www.designecology.com/>
- Design for Water: Rainwater Harvesting, Stormwater Catchment and Alternative Water Use, Heather Kinkade-Levario, New Society Publishers, 2007.
- HarvestH20.com, on-line rainwater harvesting community, www.harvesth20.com
- How to Harvest Rainwater, SPAWN, <http://spawnusa.org/pages/page-221>
- International Rainwater Catchment Systems Association - www.eng.warwick.ac.uk/ircsa
- John Deere Green Tech – www.johndeeregreentech.com or 800-427-0779
Local Rep: Tony Yarish, Santa Rosa: 888-438-7435 or 925-451-1610
- Low Impact Development Center, “Rain Garden Design Templates,” - http://www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/raingarden_design/
- Low Impact Development and Rain Gardens
<http://www.coastal.ca.gov/nps/lid-factsheet.pdf>
- Native Rain Garden, www.native-raingarden.com/
- Oasis Design - Rainwater Harvesting/Coliform Concerns - www.rainwaterharvesting.net or www.oasisdesign.net/water/quality/coliform.htm
- Rain Barrels & Cisterns
SPAWN's 10,000 Raingarden Project - <http://raingardens.spawnusa.org>
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/raincist_home.htm
<http://www.rainbarrelguide.com/>
<http://www.portlandonline.com/shared/cfm/image.cfm?id=127468>
- Rain garden brochure from WA - http://www.pierce.wsu.edu/Water_Quality/LID/Raingarden_brochure.pdf
- Rain garden design: http://www.lowimpactdevelopment.org/raingarden_design/ (design templates)
- Rain garden network - <http://www.raingardennetwork.com/about.htm>
- Rainwater Calculator - www.rain-barrel.net/rainwater-calculator.html
- Rain Gardens. Managing Water Sustainably in the Garden and Designed Landscape. Nigel Dunnnett and Andy Clayden, Timber Press, Inc., 2007.

Rainwater Management – Cont'd

- Rainwater Catchment Suppliers & Contractors - <http://spawnusa.org/pages/page-213>
www.watertanks.com
Fairfax Lumber, 109 Broadway, Fairfax CA 94978, 415-453-4410
O'Donnell's Nursery, 1700 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Fairfax CA 94930,
415-453-0372
Sunnyvale Nursery, 130 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., San Anselmo CA 94963, 415-453-2701,
info@sunnysideofmarin.com
- Rainwater as a Resource – Tree People (Andy Lipkis)
<http://www.treepeople.org/vfp.dll?OakTree~getPage~&PNPK=207>
- Rainwater Harvesting for Drylands and Beyond, Brad Lancaster, Chelsea Green Publishing Company
(www.harvestingrainwater.com)
- Rainwater Harvesting Frequently Asked Questions, S.F. Public Utilities Commission,
<http://sfwater.org/Files/News/FAQ092909.pdf>
- Reduce Runoff: Slow It Down, Spread It Out, Soak It In - US EPA nine minute video on reducing and managing runoff through the use of rain gardens, rain barrels and green roofs:
www.epa.gov/nps/lid
- Roofwater Harvesting for a Low Impact Water Supply, www.oaecwater.org/education/roofwater-harvesting-booklet
- San Francisco Public Utilities Commission – Rainwater Harvesting:
www.sfwater.org/mto_main.cfm/MC_ID/14/MSC_ID/361/MTO_ID/559
- Slow it. Spread it. Sink it!: A Homeowner's & Landowner's Guide to Beneficial Stormwater Management, Southern Sonoma County Resource Conservation District and The Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County, 2010. Download from:
www.sscr.cd.org/pdf/Slowit.Spreadit.Sinkit.vfinal.pdf (MCSTOPPPP is in the process of revising this guide for a Marin audience.)
- Slow the Flow – Make Your Landscape Act Like A Sponge
<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/stormfilm>
- Storm Sustainability: Rainwater Harvesting Solutions – www.storm-sustainability.com or 1-800-805-4880 or 415-888-8557
- Using Bio-retention on Residential Lots
http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/Bioretenion_Residential_11-3-08.pdf
- www.deeproot.com (functionally equivalent to a rain garden) Check website for deeproot products available in Marin.
- “Water Harvesting for Landscape Contractors,” LandscapeOnline.Com:
www.landscapeonline.com/research/article/13914
- Water Storage, Tanks, Cisterns, Aquifers and Ponds, Art Ludwig, Oasis Design, 2005.

Recycle and/or ReUse

- *A Bay-Friendly Landscaping Guide to Recycled-Content and Salvaged Materials*, www.stopwaste.org/docs/salvaged.pdf or www.bayfriendlycoalition.org
- Building Resources, 701 Amador Street, San Francisco, CA, www.buildingresources.org
- Buy Recycled Fact Sheets, StopWaste.Org: www.StopWaste.Org/buyrecycled.html
 - Pointers on Using Recycled-content Plastic Lumber
 - How to Buy Recycled-content Transportation Products
- EPA Greenscapes Alliance - www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/green
- Finding or donating recycle/salvage materials:
 - CalMax, By CalRecycle: www.CalRecycle.ca.gov/CalMAX or 877-520-9703
 - MarinMax Materials Exchange: www.marinmax.org
- Garbage Haulers throughout Marin - http://www.marinrecycles.org/marin_resources.cfm
- Ohmega Salvage, 2407 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, CA 94702, (510) 843-7368, www.ohmegasalvage.com
- Recycling - www.MarinRecycles.org (Information on how and where to recycle a wide range of items.)
- “Recycling and Reusing Landscape Waste Cost Calculator,” US EPA, www.epa.gov/epawste/partnerships/greenscapes/tools/index.htm
- Recycling Municipal Trees - www.greenwasterecycleyard.com
- ReNew Plastics – for decks, docks, and porches. Go to: <http://www.renewplastics.com>
- The Away Station, Fairfax: 415-453-4221 www.theawaystation.org Facilitates the re-use of construction and deconstruction/demolition products. You can purchase or donate materials. Email: carrie@theawaystation.org
- The Reuse People, 2100 Ferry point, #150, Alameda, CA, (510) 567-8525, www.thereusepeople.org
- The Revolutionary Yardscape: Ideas for Repurposing Local Materials to Create Containers, Pathways, Lighting and More, Matthew Levesque, Timber Press, 2010.
- Urban Ore, 900 Murray Street, Berkeley CA, 94710, www.urbanore.citysearch.com
- US EPA’s Buy-Recycled Series of fact sheets – download at www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/procure/factshts.htm

Riparian Plants – See Native Plants – Where to Buy Them. (Some nurseries specialize in riparian plants. Ask!)

Roofwater Catchment – See Rainwater Collection

Sheet Mulching (cardboard for) – See Mulching, Purchasing Cardboard for Sheet Mulching

Soil “Apps”

California Soil Resources Lab - UC Davis - SoilWeb for the iPhone (FREE) download from iTunes or iPhone App Store

Calculating costs for concrete, gravel, etc. - KAD Software - Concrete Gravel Mulch (\$0.99) download from iTunes or iPhone App Store

Soil Health & Biology

- Microbe Remediation with Mushrooms – www.fungiperfecti.com
- Munsell Soil Color Charts, Munsell Color Company: www.MunsellStore.com
- *Mycellium Running: How Mushrooms Can Help Save the World*, by Paul Stamets, Ten Speed Press, 2005.
- Relationship between soil, compost and water - http://compostwashington.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=57&Itemid=63
- *Roots Demystified*, Robert Kourik, Metamorphic Press, 2008.
- *Secrets to Great Soil: A Growers Guide to Composting, Mulching and Creating Healthy, Fertile Soil For Your Garden and Lawn*, Elizabeth Stell, Storey Publishing, 1998.
- *Soil Biology Primer*, Soil and Water Conservation Society, 2000 (800) THE-SOIL, ext. 24., http://soils.usda.gov/sqi/concepts/soil_biology/biology.html
- Soil Quality Publications, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service: <http://soils.usda.gov/sqi/publications/publications.html>
- *Teeming with Microbes*, Jeff Lowenfels, Ten Speed Press, 2006.
- The Soil Food Web - www.soilfoodweb.com
- *The Soul of Soil*, A Guide to Ecological Soil Management, Grace Gershuny & Joseph Smillie, agAccess, 1995.
- *Up By The Roots*, James Urban, ISA, 2008.
- *Urban Soil Primer*, US Dept. of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, download a copy from: [http://soils.usda.gov/use/urban/downloads/primer\(screen\).pdf](http://soils.usda.gov/use/urban/downloads/primer(screen).pdf)

Soil Maps

- Soil maps are available through the Marin Resources Conservation District (RCD) and online at <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/HomePage.htm>
- Copies of the NRCS [formerly the Soil Conservation Service] Soil Surveys of Marin can be found at the Marin Civic Center in Land Development, fourth floor. Copies of the surveys are not disseminated. If a personal copy of the survey(s) is needed, you should contact the NRCS to procure one. Below is the link to the USDA NRCS web site for procuring soil surveys. http://soils.usda.gov/survey/printed_surveys/state.asp?state=California&abbr=CA

Soil Purchasing

- American Soil & Stone – Located in Richmond (510-292-3000) and San Rafael (415-456-1381) Go to www.americansoil.com
- Marin Landscape Materials – 415-897-1337
- Martin Brothers Supply - 415-388-2025
- Shamrock Landscape Materials – 415-455-1575

Soil Testing

- Gempler's Soil Test Kit (RGM250), professional quality soil test kit and horticulture supplies, 1-800-382-8473, <http://www.gemplers.com/search/soil+test+kit>
- Mosser Lee Soil Test Kit http://www.mosserlee.com/product/537_SoilMasterSoilTestKit.aspx "Soil Master" Home Test available at Lowe's for about \$15. Also available via the web.
- Soil and Compost Testing Labs:
 - ABC Organics: www.abcorganics.com
 - A&L Western Agricultural Labs: www.al-labs-west.com
 - Harmony Farm Supply & Nursery: www.harmonyfarm.com
 - Peaceful Valley Farm Supply: www.groworganic.com
 - Soil and Plant Lab: www.soilandplantlaboratory.com
 - Soil Foodweb: www.soilfoodweb.com

Solar!

- Green-e (certification program for renewable energy) - www.green-e.org

Sustainable Gardening/Landscaping

- Bay-Friendly – www.bayfriendly.org
- California Master Gardener Handbook, Dennis R. Pittenger, Editor, University of California, ANR Publication 3382, 2002.
- California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA): 916-830-2780, San Francisco/East Bay Chapter - <http://www.clca.org/clca/about/chapters/sfbae.php>
- Gaia's Garden, Toby Hemenway, Chelsea Green Publishing, 2009.
- Gardening with a Wild Heart, Judith Larner Lowry, UC Press, 1999.
- Ken Yeomans of Keyline Designs - www.keyline.com.au/
- Landscape Resource - <http://www.landscaperesource.com>
- Merritt College, Landscape Horticulture DEPT.: 510-531-4911, <http://www.merrittlandhort.com/dnn/Default.aspx>
- Permaculture Designer's Manual, Bill Mollison, Tagari Publications, 1997.

Sustainable Gardening/Landscaping – Cont'd

- Regenerative Design Institute and Permaculture Institute of Northern California, 868-9861, www.regenerativedesign.org (415)
- Sonoma State University, Sustainable Landscape Professional Certificate Program : 664-2394, <http://www.sonoma.edu/sustainablelandscape> (707)
- Sustainable Landscape Construction: A Guide to Green Building Outdoors, William J. Thompson, Island Press, 2000.
- Sustainable Landscape Roundtable – www.landscapestandards.com
- The California Landscape Garden: Ecology, Culture and Design, Mark Francis and Andreas Reimann, UC Press, 1999.
- The Landscaping Revolution: Garden with Mother Nature, Not Against Her, Andy and Sally Wasowski, Contemporary Books, 2000
- The Soil Water Relationship - http://compostwashington.org/soil_water2.asp

Stormwater (Best Management Practices, etc.)

- CASQA Handbook – Reducing runoff in new development and re-development. Includes fact sheets on vegetated swales, retention basins, rain gardens, etc. <http://www.cabmphandbooks.com/Development.asp>
- Citizen's Guide to Maintaining Stormwater Best Management Practices, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, 2002. Download from: www.northbarrington.org/files/newsletters/GuideFinal_110404.pdf
- Green Infrastructure: managing wet weather with examples of green infrastructure such as rain gardens, porous pavements, green roofs, infiltration planters and rainwater harvesting for non-potable uses, US EPA: http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=298
- Green Streets and Infrastructure: San Francisco Estuary Project, www.sfestuary.org/podcast/ Videos and podcasts on soils and plants as pollution filters, stormwater management and stormwater treatment BMP's, parking strip landscaping and rain gardens.
- Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program at www.mcstoppp.org
- National Menu of Stormwater Best Management Practices, EPA: http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm?action=factsheet_results&view=specific&bmp=124
- Reduce Runoff: Slow It Down, Spread It Out, Soak It In, US EPA, nine minute video on reducing and managing runoff through the use of rain gardens, rain barrels and green roofs: www.epa.gov/nps/lid
- Slow It! Spread It! Sink It! A Homeowner's & Landowner's Guide to Beneficial Stormwater Management, Southern Sonoma County Resource Conservation District and the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County, 2010. Copies can be downloaded from: www.sscr.cd.org/pdf/Slowit.Spreadit.Sinkit.vfinal.pdf (NOTE: MCSTOPPP will be modifying this document for a Marin audience.)

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- Stormwater BMP's: Selection, Maintenance and Monitoring, Gordon England and Stuart Stein, Forester Press, 2007.
- Stormwater Managers Resource Center – www.stormwatercenter.net
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http://extension.ucdavis.edu/unit/center_for_water_and_land_use/pdf/stormwater_runoff.pdf
- Stormwater Quality Manual for Development Projects in Marin County:
http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/GuidanceforApplicantsv_2-5-08.pdf
- Use Your Roof Guidebook, Bay Localize, www.baylocalize.org/forms/use-your-roof
- Using Site Design Techniques to Meet Development Standards for Stormwater Quality (a companion piece to Start at the Source) May 2003 -
<http://www.mcstoppp.org/acrobat/UsingSiteDesignTechniques.pdf>

Tree Benefit Calculator

- <http://www.treebenefits.com/calculator/>

Trees (Also see Oak Trees)

- International Society of Arboriculture - tree care information and publications, education, research, tree ordinance guidelines, etc: - <http://www.isa-arbor.com/home.aspx> (Western Chapter ISA - <http://www.wcisa.net/>)
- “Making Parking Lots More Tree Friendly,” Fact Sheet #3, Center for Urban Forest Research: <http://cufr.ucdavis.edu>
- Right Tree, Right Place, PG&E, www.pge.com/mybusiness/edusafety/contractor/planttrees
- SelectTree, A Tree Selection Guide, Urban Forest Ecosystems Institute and Cal Poly: <http://selecttree.calpoly.edu/>
- Trees NOT to plant, and some suggested alternatives: <http://www.cal-ipc.org/landscaping/dpp/trees.php>)
- “Where are all the Cool Parking Lots?” Center for Urban Forest Research: <http://cufr.ucdavis.edu>

Turf – See Lawn Care

UC Publications – Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR)

- For a catalog, go to www.anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu or call 1-800-994-8849

Vineyards

- Vineyards and Beneficial Animals - <http://www.nswg.org/animals2005.htm>

Water Conservation & Efficiency

- A Guide to Estimating Irrigation Water Needs of Landscape Plantings in California, University of California Cooperative Extension. You can download a copy from <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/files/filelibrary/1726/15359.pdf> or call the Dept. of Water Resources at (916) 653-1097.
- A Homeowners Guide to Water-Efficient Landscapes, Rain Bird. Can be downloaded at: www.rainbird.com/iuow/whitepapers.htm
- California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS): www.cimis.water.ca.gov
- California native sod blends, Delta Bluegrass Company, 800-637-8873, <http://www.deltabluegrass.com>
- California Urban Water Conservation Council at www.cuwcc.org
- Design for Water: Rainwater Harvesting, Stormwater Catchment and Alternate Water Reuse, Heather Kinkade-Levario, New Society Publishers, 2007.
- Landscape Irrigation Design Manual, Rain Bird. Can be downloaded at: www.rainbird.com/pdf/turf/IrrigationDesignManual.pdf
- Marin Municipal Water District at www.marinwater.org
 - For ETo calculations go to this address and click on “weekly watering schedule.”
 - For additional water-related services click on “Conservation”
- Marin Municipal Water District Rebates <http://www.marinwater.org/controller?action=menuclick&id=418>
- Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance, CA Dept of Water Resources: www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance
- North Marin Water District at www.nmwd.org
- Sprinkler Scheduling in 15 Minutes, Tim Wilson, Billah Publications, 2006.
- WUCOLS III: A Guide to Estimating Irrigation Water Needs of Landscape Plantings in California, <http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/docs/wucols00.pdf>
- Water budget calculator, garden guide and more available at www.h2ouse.org
- Water: Catch It If You Can, Susan Pearlstine, AuthorHouse, 2010. 1-800-839-8640

Water Cycle/ Watershed

- Marin Watershed Project - www.marinwatersheds.org
- OAEC, The Water Institute - www.oaec.org/water-institute
- Save the Bay - www.savesfbay.org
- SFPUC - www.sfwater.org/mc_main.cfm/MC_ID/13
- The Watershed Project - www.thewatershedproject.org

Water Recycling/ Treatment

- Arcata WTP/ Wildlife Sanctuary - www.humboldt.edu/~ere_dept/marsh/
- Municipal - www.marinwater.org/controller?action=menuclick&id=225
- Water Reuse - www.watereuse.org/

Weeds (also see Invasive Plants and Trees)

- Marin / Sonoma Weed Management Area
<http://marinsonomaweedmanagement.org/>
- UC Weed Research & Information Center
 - <http://wric.ucdavis.edu>
 - Weed ID CDs
 - Broadleaves
 - Grasses
- UC IPM - <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/>
- California Invasive Plant Council:
<http://www.cal-ipc.org/ip/definitions/index.php>
- The Weed Worker's Handbook, A Guide to Techniques for Removing Bay Area Invasive Plants, The Watershed Project & California Invasive Plant Council, 2004. (510) 843-3902.
- Weeds of California and Other Western States, Joseph M. Ditomaso, 2007. Available from ANR Catalog, ANR Communication Services, 6701 San Pablo Ave., 2nd Floor, Oakland, CA 94608, 510-642-2431. Toll free order line: 800-994-8849,

Wild Animal Removal

- WildCare offers a new service that humanely excludes animals while repairing and securing your property against their return. Call 456-SAVE, ext.23 for more information: www.wildcaremarin.org or link directly to http://www.wildcarebayarea.org/site/PageServer?pagename=AnimalAid_LivingWildlife_WildlifeSolutions

Wildlife Habitat

- “Attracting Hummingbirds,” Mostly Natives, www.mostlynatives.com/hummingbird.htm
- Audubon Society - www.audubon.org/bird/at_home/alternatives.html
- *Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants*, Douglas W. Tallamy, Timber Press, 2009
- Bee Gardens - <http://nature.berkeley.edu/urbanbeegardens>
- Birds (Landscaping for) – Pt. Reyes Bird Observatory - <http://www.prbo.org/cms/183>
- Butterflies –
 - www.xerces.org (Xerces Society)
 - www.mostlynatives.com/butterflies.htm
 - *The Forgotten Pollinators*, Stephen L. Buchmann and Gary Naabham, Island Press/Shearwater Books, 1997.
 - *Common Butterflies of California*, Bob Stewart, West Coast Lady Press, Patagonia AZ, 1998.
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 - *The Habitat Garden Book: Wildlife Landscaping for the San Francisco Bay Region*, Nancy Bauer, Coyote Ridge Press, Sebastopol, 2001.
 - California Bat Conservation Fund - www.californiabats.com
- Fencing Guidelines - <http://www.nswg.org/april05fencing.htm>
- *Gardening with a Wild Heart*, Judith Lerner Lowry, UC Press, 1999.
- *Growing California Native Plants*, Marjorie G. Schmidt, UC Press, 1980.
- Hungry Owl Project - <http://www.hungryowl.org/>
- Hummingbirds (plants that attract) www.mostlynatives.com/hummingbird.htm
- National Audubon Society - www.audubon.org/
- *Native Treasures: Gardening with the Plants of California*, Nevin M. Smith, UC Press, 2006.
- National Wildlife Federation: Create a Certified Wildlife Habitat www.nwf.org/backyard/
- Ohlone Audubon Society, www.ohloneaudubon.org/
- *Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates*, East Bay Municipal Utility District, Oakland, CA 2004, www.ebmud.com
- *Plants of the San Francisco Bay Region*, Linda Beidleman and Eugene N. Kozloff, UC Press, 2003.
- *The Forgotten Pollinators*, Stephen L. Buchmann, Island Press, 1997.
- *The Habitat Garden Book*, Nancy Bauer, Coyote Ridge Press, 2001.
- Vineyards - <http://www.nswg.org/animals2005.htm>
- *Welcoming Wildlife to the Garden*, Catherine J. Johnson, Hartley and Marks, 2004.

Worms and/or Castings (Purchasing) (Also see Composting and Compost Tea/Brewers)

- David Lee Hoffman PO Box 10, Lagunitas, CA 94938, (415) 488-9017. Call for appointment to buy worms or for vermiculture consultations
- Michael Alms – Growing Solution: 541-343-8727 (castings)
- Monster Worms, P.O. Box 1211, Antioch, CA 94509, 925-890-5773, <http://blog.monsterworms.com>
- Sonoma Valley Worm Farm – 1280 Sperring Rd., Sonoma, CA 95476, (707) 996-8561 or visit http://www.sonomavalleyworms.com/Sonoma_Valley_Worms/Worms.html
- The Worm Farm, 9050 Lasell Lane, Durham, CA 95938, (530) 894-1276, www.thewormfarm.net
- Western Sports Shop, 902 Third Street, San Rafael (415) 456-5454.

Wood Chips – See Compost and/or Mulch, Where to Purchase