



North Carolina Native Plant Society

Native Plant Habitat Certification

Application

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY/STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
COUNTY _____
TELEPHONE _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

NAME(S) AND ADDRESS TO APPEAR ON CERTIFICATE:

GARDEN PROFILE

TERRAIN:

Level ground Gentle Slopes Steep Slopes
 Primarily Open/Sunny Mixed Primarily Wooded

NATIVE PLANTS:

A native garden must have representation in 6 of the 11 native plant categories for certification. All plants listed should be native to North Carolina. Include botanical as well as common names, with at least 3 plants in each of the chosen categories.

1. Canopy Trees _____

2. Under story Trees (less than 40') _____

3. Shrubs _____

4. Ferns _____

5. Woodland Flowers (shade)

a. Spring Blooming _____

b. Summer Blooming _____

c. Fall Blooming _____

6. Garden Flowers (sun)

a. Spring Blooming _____

b. Summer Blooming _____

c. Fall Blooming _____

7. Native Grasses _____

8. Vines (Herbaceous or Woody) _____

9. Ground Covers _____

10. Moss/Lichens _____

11. Water/Bog Plants _____

CONSERVATION PRACTICES:

Applicant must practice at least 6 of the following 10 conservation practices for certification.

Please check those that apply.

- _____ 1. removal of invasive pest plants
- _____ 2. composting
- _____ 3. mulching
- _____ 4. avoiding chemical use where possible
- _____ 5. using soaker hoses or hand watering rather than overhead watering
- _____ 6. controlling pests naturally by encouraging beneficial insects
- _____ 7. capturing/utilizing rainwater
- _____ 8. minimizing or eliminating lawn areas
- _____ 9. if possible, allowing leaves to remain where they fall, or shredding as mulch
- _____ 10. reducing the use of standard lawn maintenance equipment, such as fossil powered lawn mowers, leaf blowers

SPECIAL GARDEN FEATURES: (Check if applicable to your garden)

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| _____ Moss Garden(s) | _____ Native Grass Lawn | _____ Pond(s)/Lake(s) |
| _____ Rock Garden(s) | _____ Rock Retaining Wall(s) | _____ Rock Outcropping(s) |
| _____ Sitting/Viewing Area(s) | _____ Stream(s)/Creek(s) | _____ Garden Path(s) |
| _____ Wildflower Meadow(s) | _____ Arbor(s) | |

Total Property Size: _____. Approximate percentage of that area dedicated to North Carolina Native Plants: _____

Are you willing to allow visits to your garden? _____Yes _____No

Please enclose pictures of your garden or email them to carolynI @ ncwildflower.org. The photographs will not be returned. *I give my permission for NCNPS to use these photos in exhibits, on the NCNPS website, in publicity materials, and in other ways that fulfill the mission of NCNPS. Credit will be given to the person who submitted the application unless another photographer is identified by the applicant.* Please feel free to use additional sheets if necessary to list your native plants. Processing of application may take four to six weeks. If you have any questions regarding this application, please call or e-mail as listed below.

Please enclose your certification program application fee of \$10.00 for NCNPS members and \$20 for non-members.

We also welcome your application to join the Society. To find an application please visit <http://www.ncwildflower.org/ncnps/membership/>

Do you wish to purchase the granite memento or a metal sign _____? It may be seen at <http://www.ncwildflower.org/about/markers/>

Signature: _____

Thank you.
NCNPS Native Plant Habitat Certification Committee

Please forward your completed application to:
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