

NATIVE PLANT BENEFITS

Why use Native Plants?

Great for the environment

- · Support wildlife & pollinators
- Long root systems filter & recharge groundwater systems
- · Reduce stormwater runoff & flooding
- · Improve air quality
- · Build healthy soils
- · Positive impact on surrounding land

Less Maintenance & Inputs

- · Adapted to local climate
- · Little to no mowing needed
- Drought tolerant
- No need for fertilizer or pesticides
- Thrive in a variety of habitat conditions

They're Beautiful

- Provide seasonal blooms, fall color, & winter interest in the garden
- Thousands of unique PA native plant options
- Creating a sense of place in the landscape

Save Money

- Greater survival rates and longevity compared to nonnatives
- · Tend not to grow or spread invasively
- Little to no watering once established



What is a Native Plant?

Species that naturally grow in a particular region, ecosystem, or habitat without the aid of human intervention.

Native plants were present in their region following the most recent glacial period and prior to European contact.

Learn more and get involved with local native plant opportunities





