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New York Places, Organizations, Events

Places

- Parks
  - Tompkins Sq. Park southwest corner - managed by Friends of Tompkins Square Park(vol)
  - Inwood Hill
  - Swindler Cove
  - Pelham Bay Park
  - Alley Park
  - Marine Park(vol)
  - Forest Park
  - Brower Park - monarch garden
  - Prospect Park
  - Battery Park - food forest
  - Roosevelt Island Manhattan Healing Forest (Miyawaki forest)
  - Randall's Island Native Plant Garden
  - The High Line
  - Seward Park native plant garden
  - Stuy Cove Park / Solar1
  - Hudson River Pier 26
- Community gardens(vol)
  - La Plaza Cultural
  - El Jardin del Paraiso
  - Green Oasis
  - Francisco 'Pancho' Ramos
  - 6B
  - 6BC
  - Narrows Botanical Garden(vol)
  - Lentol Garden - woodland example
  - EL garden - pawpaws, community
  - McCarren Demo Garden
  - Down to earth - bokashi composting - shig matsukawa
  - Access garden
  - Ridgewood Community Garden
  - Oko Farms Aquaponic
- Rooftop gardens
  - Kingsland wildflowers(vol)
- Publicly available private gardens

    - NYBG
    - Brooklyn Botanic Garden
    - Naval cemetery landscape
    - Greenwood Cemetery
    - Brooklyn Bridge Park, Pier 3
    - NYU Pratt Textile Dye Garden
- Waterways / waterfronts
    - Newtown Creek (vol)
    - Gowanus Canal (vol)
    - Spuyten Duyvil Creek
    - Oakland Lake
- Urban farms
    - Red hook urban farm (vol)

Organizations

- LES Ecology Center(vol)
    - Master Composter
- NYC Parks(vol)
- GrowNYC
- NYC Pollinator Working Group
- Gowanus Canal Conservancy(vol)
- Newtown Creek Alliance(vol)
- City Parks Foundation
- Brooklyn Greenway Initiative
- TreesNY
    - Citizen Pruner
- LUNGS
- MORUS
- New Yorkers for Parks
- RAIN Coalition
- Forest for All NYC
- Natural Areas Conservancy
- Shorakapok Earthkeepers (Inwood Hill Park)

Events

- Creatures nyc mailing list
- NYC Parks event list

Educational Programs

- NYC Parks Super Steward
    - Fire Hydrant permit + training for Super Stewards (offered in spring)
- TreesNY Citizen Pruner
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden BUG (Brooklyn Urban Gardener)

Online Resources

General community gardening skills: The GreenThumb website provides online resources and a variety of workshops on skills ranging from carpentry to garden design.

https://www.nycgovparks.org/greenthumb/resources

Taking care of tree beds: The Street Tree Care Captain webinar provides an introduction of tree bed care.

https://www.nycgovparks.org/reg/advanced-stewardship

Lady Bird Johnson Center, North Carolina Extension Gardener, The Plant Native, bplant.org,

Youtube channel: GrowitBuildit, amazing in-depth videos about specific native plants, soil quality/soil testing, garden design, installation and maintenance tips, and more

Youtube channel: Crime Pays but Botany Doesn’t

Reddit: [/r/NativePlantGardening](https://www.reddit.com/r/NativePlantGardening/), [r/invasivespecies](https://www.reddit.com/r/invasivespecies/)

The Xerces Society has incredible, detailed resources on pollinator conservation from site establishment, planting, plant selection, assessment, and so on.

- New York Native Planting Guide
- GrowNYC Resilient Gardens Guide

You can also join the NYC Pollinator Working Group mailing list.

Urban Ecology Library Catalog

Reference books

- Planting in a Post-Wild World: Designing Plant Communities for Resilient Landscapes Thomas Rainer & Claudia West
- The Bees in Your Backyard: A Guide to North America's Bees Joseph S. Wilson & Olivia Messinger Carril
- Botany for Gardeners Brian Capon
- Wild NYC Ryan Mandelbaum
- Mending Life Nina and Sonya Montenegro
- A Guide to Native Plants of the New York City Region, Margaret B. Gargiullo

Non-fiction

- Concrete Botany: the ecology of plants in the age of human disturbance Joey Santore
- Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants Douglas Tallamy
- Sand County Almanac Aldo Leopold
- Braiding Sweetgrass Robin Wall Kimmerer
- The Serviceberry Robin Wall Kimmerer
- Free the Land Audrea Lim
- As Long as Grass Grows Dina Gilio-Whitaker
- The Accidental Ecosystem: People and Wildlife in American Cities Peter S. Alagona
- The Death and Life of Great American Cities Jane Jacobs
- Power at the Roots: Gentrification, Community Gardens, and the Puerto Ricans of the Lower East Side Miranda J. Martinez
- The Mushroom at the End of the World: On the Possibility of Life in Capitalist Ruins Anna Lowenhaupt Tsing
- Gotham Unbound: the Ecological History of Greater New York, Ted Steinberg
- Learning Environment: Inspirational Actions, Approaches, and Stories from the Science Classroom Jared Fox
- Tactical Urbanism: Short-term Action for Long-term Change, Anthony Garcia and Mike Lydon
- Mannahatta: a Natural History of New York City Eric W. Sanderson
- Earthbound Farmer’s Almanac, Lobelia Commons

Fiction

- The Dispossessed Ursula K. Le Guin
- Parable of the Sower Octavia Butler

- The Lorax Dr. Seuss
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eric Carle

Poetry

- Devotions Mary Oliver

Artist's books

- Inventory of Parasite Actions and Soft Diversions Marianne Villiere

Tree ID (Summer and Winter)

Books

- *Bark: A Field Guide to Trees of the Northeast* by Michael Wojtech
- Identifying Trees of the East: An All-Season Guide to Eastern North America by Michael D. Williams
- Manual of Woody Landscape Plants, Michael A Dirr

Zines (available in garden library)

- Trees New York Urban Bud & Bark Handbook: A xGuide to Winter Tree Identification
- Winter Tree Identification Key by Unviersity of Wisconsin-Stevens Point LEAF Program

Websites

- NYC Tree Map
- Green-Wood Cemetery Tree Map
- Prospect Park Treekeeper
- r/TreeIdentification

Articles

- https://nysufc.org/winter-tree-id-bark-buds-and-needle-leaves/2024/01/24/
- https://www.nycgovparks.org/learn/trees-and-plants/how-to-identify-trees-beyond-the-leaves
- https://naturalareasnyc.org/how-to-identify-5-nyc-trees-by-winter-terminal-buds/

Classes

- Trees NY Citizen Pruner class
- Events on NYC Parks calendar

Apps

- Plant.net (can identify bark)
- iNaturalist