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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
 - 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

Events

- Creatures nyc mailing list
- NYC Parks event list

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>

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

Library

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

Non-fiction

Bringing Nature Home 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 University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point LEAF Program

Websites

- [NYC Tree Map](#)
- [Green-Wood Cemetery Tree Map](#)
- [Prospect Park Treekeeper](#)
- [r/TreelDentification](#)

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