



Halton Region Master Gardeners

Starting From Scratch – New Garden, Big or Small – Resources

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Hamilton Pollinator Paradise

<https://www.hamiltonpollinatorparadise.org/toolkit.html#Steps%20to%20Planting%20a%20Pollinator%20Garden>

Garden Design Trends 2021

<https://www.gardendesign.com/trends/2021.html>

Landscape Design Resources

<https://www.kawarthaconservation.com/en/resources/Landscape-design-guide-for-low-impact-development.pdf>

<https://extension.uga.edu/publications/detail.html?number=C1032-4&title=Drawing%20a%20Landscape%20Plan%20-%20Site%20Analysis>

<https://www.hgtv.com/content/dam/documents/Landscaping-Site-Checklist-100.pdf>

Growing vegetables from seed

<https://www.johnnyseeds.com/> - my favourite go to catalogue for growing vegetables; the catalogue is free

Native Plant Nurseries / Seed Sources

Ontario Native Plants Nursery – Hamilton

<https://onplants.ca/>

Origin Native Plants Nursery – Guelph

<https://www.originnativeplants.com//shop>

Wildflower Farm

<https://www.wildflowerfarm.com/>

Native Plants in Claremont – Pickering

<https://www.nativeplants.ca/010~Home/>

Native Plant Information / Pictures

<https://plants.sc.egov.usda.gov/java/> - plant data base complete with maps, plant and growing information

<https://www.wildflower.org/plants-main>



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North American Native Plant Society

<https://nanps.org/>



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Lake Erie Lowlands Pollinator Guide

<https://www.pollinator.org/pollinator.org/assets/generalFiles/LakeErieLowlands.2016.ver15.pdf>

Grow Me Instead

https://www.ontarioinvasiveplants.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/GMI-Booklet_FINAL-FOR-WEB_May132016.pdf

Prairie Moon Nursery

<https://www.prairiemoon.com/>

Missouri Botanical Garden Plant Finder

<https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/plantfinder/plantfindersearch.aspx>

Further Resources

Soil:

- Soil Testing Labs: <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/crops/gardbk/gh-ch3-4testing.htm>
- At-home soil texture tests: http://www.mgottawa.ca/media/TEG_January-20.pdf

Utilities

- Ontario One Call:
https://www.ontarioonecall.ca/portal/?gclid=Cj0KCOQjw1a6EBhCOARIsAOiTKrFsuwkagtq_WiNAwV5TpiSJgmq-GmuoiBIWOWAZ778fHKyy2EZpuw8aArbdEALw_wcB

Weed, Pest and Disease Database:

- London Middlesex Master Gardeners:
<https://londonmiddlesexmastergardeners.com/weed-pest-disease-databases/>



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Common Plant Diseases:

- OMAFRA: <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/crops/gardbk/gh-ch6-3dis.htm>
- University of Minnesota Extension: <https://extension.umn.edu/solve-problem/plant-diseases>

Invasive Species:

- Ontario Invasive Plant Council: <https://www.ontarioinvasiveplants.ca/invasive-plants/species/>
- Nature Conservancy of Canada: <https://www.natureconservancy.ca/en/what-we-do/resource-centre/invasive-species/>
- Credit Valley Conservation: <https://cvc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/cvc-appendix-landowners-guide-to-invasives.pdf>
- Early Detection & Distribution Mapping System: <https://www.eddmaps.org/ontario/distribution/>

Water Management:

- Toronto and Region Conservation Authority: <https://trca.ca/news/complete-guide-building-maintaining-rain-garden/>

Native Species Nurseries:

- Halton Master Gardener Native Species Nursery List: <https://haltonmastergardeners.com/2020/03/28/native-plants-nurseries-in-ontario/>

Wildlife Management Tips:

- OMAFRA: <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/urbanagbib/dealingwithwildlife.htm>
- Toronto Wildlife Centre: <https://www.torontowildlifecentre.com/wildlife-emergency-rescue-hotline/conflicts-with-wildlife/>

Container Gardening

- Joe Gardener: <https://joegardener.com/podcast/container-gardening/>