



FLORIDA
WILDFLOWER
FOUNDATION

Seedlings for Schools Resources

Resources on Florida Wildflower Foundation Website

www.Floridawildflowerfoundation.org/seedsforschools.php

- *Planning your School Garden*. Practical information on wildflower gardens and creating garden teams with volunteers
- *Linking your Garden to Curriculum*. Creating curriculum goals and projects
- Fun and Games: Wildflower crossword puzzle, maze and more

To Order Florida Wildflower Seeds for your Garden

- Florida Wildflower Seed and Plant Growers Association:
www.floridawildflowers.com

Wildflower Planting Videos

- *Planting Florida Wildflowers, Parts 1 & 2*:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=0pFTA5FglY
www.youtube.com/watch?v=HWYkjMu4IWM
- *Protecting Florida Wildflowers*:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=4KInbTjGn4Y
- *Landscaping with Florida Native Wildflowers*:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=H4h3yxeEkO4

Choosing Wildflower Species for your Garden

- *Florida Wildflowers: A Planning and Planting Guide*:
www.flawildflowers.org/resources/pdfs/pdf10/FloridaWildflowersPlanningandPlanting.pdf
- *Butterfly Gardening in Florida*: www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu/uw057
Table 7 – *Native Butterfly Nectar Plants for North and Central Florida*
Table 8 – *Native Butterfly Nectar Plants for South Florida*
- *Recognizing Small Wildflower Seedlings*:
www.flawildflowers.org/resources/pdfs/pdf10/SeedlingImageProject_Report-Ver2007-96DPI_Images.pdf

Florida County Extension Offices

- To find your local extension agent:
solutionsforyourlife.ifas.ufl.edu/map/
- *Gardening Solutions*, University of Florida, IFAS Extension. (Garden benefits, breaking ground, garden maintenance etc.): www.gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/schoolgardens

Classroom & Garden Activities

- *Florida Wildflowers and Butterflies*, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida: www.flmnh.ufl.edu/wildflower
(Click on photos for identification and gardening information)
- School garden resources and grants, Sarasota County IFAS Extension: sarasota.ifas.ufl.edu/Hort/schoolgarden.shtml
- *FAWN Factsheet* (Calculate the proper amount of water needed for irrigation): www.fawn.ifas.ufl.edu/tools/factsheets/pdf/fawn_applicationRateFactsheet.pdf

- *Kids Gardening* (Lesson plans, activities): www.kidsgardening.org
- *Schoolyard Habitat Project Guide*, US Fish and Wildlife Service: www.fws.gov/chesapeakebay/pdf/habitatguide.pdf
- *A Nature Art Journal* by Elizabeth Smith (Nature art journal template and coloring pages): www.natureartjournal.blogspot.com/p/coloring-pages.html

Florida Classroom/Schoolyard Resources/Environmental Education

- *Educators' Lounge*, National Audubon Society: www.audubon.org/educate/educators
- *Celebrating Wildflowers*, US Forest Service: www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/index.shtml
- Natural Teachers Network, Children and Nature Network: www.childrenandnature.org/movement/naturalteachers/
- Project Wild Wildlife Habitat Guides for K-12, Council for Environmental Education: www.projectwild.org
- Florida Green School Network: www.Floridagreenschoolnetwork.org
- Florida Project Learning Tree, University of Florida: www.sfrc.ufl.edu/plt
- Florida Schoolyard Wildlife Project: Effective Outdoor Classrooms, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission: www.myfwc.com/education/educators/schoolyard-wildlife
- Green Teacher Magazine: www.greenteacher.com
- League of Environmental Educators of Florida (LEEF): www.LEEF-Florida.org
- LEEF Schoolyard Nature Study Guide: www.leef-florida.org/resource/about.aspx?s=51718.0.037432
- Southeast Environmental Education Alliance (SEEA): www.southeastee.org
- USDA Forest Service Science & Education Resources: www.NaturalInquirer.org/
- iNaturalist, California Academy of Sciences (Citizen science and bioblitz information): www.inaturalist.org
- Project Budburst, Chicago Botanic Garden (Investigate climate change through plant phenology): www.budburst.org
- Center for Invasive Species (Report invasive plants or animals in Florida): www.eddmaps.org/florida/report/

Butterflies

- Project Butterfly Wings, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida: www.flmnh.ufl.edu/wings
- Live Monarch (Raise a butterfly online): www.Livemonarch.com/adopt.htm
- Monarch Larvae Monitoring Project, University of Minnesota (Project to collect long term national data): www.mlmp.org



Insects/Pollinators

- Dragonfly Pondwatch (Register your pond and track dragonflies): www.migratorydragonflypartnership.org/index/dragonflyPondWatch
- Florida Bug Club, University of Florida, Entomology Dept: entomology.ifas.ufl.edu/bug_club/ent-events/outreach.shtml
- *The Honey Files: A Bee's Life Teaching Guide*, National Honey Board, Grades 4-6: www.Honey.com/images/downloads/HoneyFilesWeb.pdf
- Bumblebee Watch (Help track and conserve North American bumblebees): www.Bumblebeewatch.org

Birds

- Florida Bird Monitoring Program, University of Florida, IFAS, Dept. of Wildlife Ecology & Conservation: bird.ifas.ufl.edu
- Bird Sleuth, Cornell University Lab of Ornithology: www.birdsleuth.org
- Celebrate Urban Birds, Cornell University Lab of Ornithology: www.birds.cornell.edu/celebration/birds/bird-guide/celebrate-urban-birds-bird-guide
- eBird (Online birding checklist): www.eBird.org
- Habitat Network (Create habitat maps): www.YardMap.org

Frogs

- *Florida Frogs Activities and Coloring Book*, University of Florida, IFAS, Dept. of Wildlife Ecology & Conservation: ufwildlife.ifas.ufl.edu/kids_corner.shtml
- *How to Make a Treefrog House*, University of Florida, IFAS, Dept. of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation: edis.ifas.ufl.edu/UW308

Links to School Gardening Sites

- Kids Gardening: www.kidsgardening.org
- The Science Spot (Science activities for junior high school students): www.Sciencespot.net
- National Wildlife Federation: www.NWF.org/schoolyard
- Junior Master Gardeners: www.jmgkids.us

Links to Florida Wildflower and Native Plant Information

- Florida Wildflower Foundation: www.FlaWildflowers.org
- Florida Wildflower Seed and Plant Growers Association: www.Floridawildflowers.com
- Florida Association of Native Nurseries: www.Floridanativenurseries.org and www.Plantrealflorida.org
- Florida Native Plant Society: www.FNPS.org

Grants

- Captain Planet: www.Captainplanetfoundation.org
- Donna J. Heinrich Gopher Tortoise Environmental Education Grant, Gopher Tortoise Council: www.gophertortoisecouncil.org
- Green Education Foundation: www.greeneducationfoundation.org
- Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education/Wild Ones: wildones.org/seedmony.html
- Monarch Live: monarch.pwnet.org/garden_grants.php
- Splash! School Grants (Education grants for teachers in southwest Florida): www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/education/schoolgrants/index.php
- Toolbox for Education, Lowes: www.toolboxforeducation.com
- Kids Gardening: www.Kidsgardening.org

Children's Books on Gardening and Nature

Florida

- *The Florida Scrub Coloring Book*. Mark Deyrup & Kevina Vulinec.
- *The Nature of Florida's Neighborhoods: Including Bats, Scrub jays, Lizards and Wildflowers*. Cathie Katz and Jim Angy.
- *Creatures and Plants in Florida: Education for Everyone Series*. Jacqueline Gonzalez.
- *National Audubon Society First field Guide Series*. Chanticleer Press.

Nature Education

- *A Kid's Ecojournal Series*. Toni Albert.
- *Citizen Scientists: Be a Part of a Scientific Discovery from your own Backyard*, Loree Griffin Burns and Ellen Harasimowicz.
- *Homes for Wildlife: A Planning Guide for Habitat Enhancement on School Grounds*. Marilyn C. Wyzga.
- *Greening School Grounds – Creating Habitats for Learning*. Tim Grant and Gail Littlejohn. Grades K-12
- *Interpreting the Great Outdoors: Wildflower Series*. Beverly Magley.
- *The Nature Connection – An Outdoor Workbook for Kids, Families and Classrooms*. Claire W. Leslie.
- *Restoring Wetlands (Let's Explore Science)*. Jeanne Sturm.
- *The Flower Hunter; William Bartram, America's First Naturalist*. Deborah Kogan Ray.
- *My Schoolyard Garden*. Steve Rich. Grades K-3
- *Pollinator Field Journal*. Kids Gardening. Grades 4-6: www.kidsgardening.org/kg-curricula-activity-guides

General

- *The Tiny Seed*, Eric Carle.
- *Hare and the Big Green Lawn*. K.C. Robey & L MacDougall.
- *Big Yellow Sunflower*. Frances Barry. Ages 3-8
- *Flip, Float, Fly: Seeds on the Move*. JoAnn Early Macken.
- *Mother Earth and her Children*. Sybil Van Olfers, S. Shoen-Smith. Ages 4-12
- *A Seed is Sleepy*. Dianna Hutts Aston. Ages 4-12
- *Once Around the Sun*. Bobbi Katz, LeUyen Pham. Ages 4-12
- *From Seed to Plant*. Gail Gibbons.
- *Roots Shoots Buckets Boots: Gardening Together with Children*. Sharon Lovejoy.
- *Gardening with Children (Brooklyn Botanical Garden)*. Hanneman, Hulse, Johnson, Kurland, Patterson.
- *The Curious Garden*. Peter Brown.
- *Echoes for the Eye: Poems to Celebrate Patterns in Nature*. Barbara J Esbensen.
- *Saving the Seeds of Wonder*. Marc Rogers.
- *Garden Crafts for Kids: 50 Great Reasons to get your Hands Dirty*. Diane Rhodes.

Identification guides and websites

- *Poisonous Plants of the Southern United States*, Alabama A&M and Auburn Universities, Alabama Cooperative Extension System: www.aces.edu/pubs/docs/A/ANR-0975/ANR-0975.pdf
- *Poisonous Plants of North Carolina*: gardening.ces.ncsu.edu/plants-2/poisonous

Free smartphone apps

- Help document gopher tortoise locations: myfwc/wildlifehabitats/managed/gopher-tortoise/app