Grow It Eat It

Maryland's Food Gardening Network
University of Maryland Extension

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Solutions in your community
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Tables and Demonstrations available 8:30 till 1

Welcome Table
Welcome! Gather the information you need to find your resources for a successful garden.

Seed Swap
Bring saved or commercial seeds and participate in the Seed Swap. Drop off your seeds in the lobby until 11 and see what others have brought to swap. Swap starts at 11 runs till 1.

Plants for Sale
Come purchase the locally grown plants you can plant this season!

Montgomery County Recycling Center
Composting is Easy! Gather information and pick up a free composting container!

Gardening with Children
Get ideas to get your children busy in the garden while having fun. Get them started with our free fun activity!

Ask a Master Gardener/ Plant Clinic
Have a question? Need help with your garden? Ask about edible garden design.

Master Gardener Tool Table
Learn how to keep your tools in top condition. Bring your tools, we'll teach you how to sharpen and care for them.

Master Gardeners Demo Garden
Informal tours of the Master Gardener's demonstration gardens.

Soil
Concerned about your garden soil? See what healthy soil looks like and learn how to get it. Get information on Soil Testing.

Speakers classes fill quickly, come early!

9:00 - 10:00 in the Garage

"Taking Back The Power"
Speaker: Master Gardener Terri Pitts
Starting seeds indoors can save you money. Learn how to start seeds at home. The class will have hands on planting, go home with this year's tomatoes.

9:00 - 10:00 in the Conference Room

"Growing Backyard Berries"
Speaker: Master Gardener Jan Reike
This talk will focus on backyard growing of grapes, strawberries, brambles, and uncommon fruits. Topics will include fruit basics, pruning, spraying, trellising and harvesting.

9:00 - 10:00 in the Kitchen

"Keeping Animals out of YOUR Garden"
Speakers: Master Gardeners Erica Smith and Terri Valenti
Are animals eating your garden? We'll discuss options available in this battle including fencing, repellents, trapping, plant placement, plant selection, and more!

10:15 - 11:15 in the Garage

"Starting A New Vegetable Garden"
Speaker: Master Gardener Robin Ritterhoff
Is this your first year vegetable gardening? This talk will give you the fundamentals to get started. You will hear the what, when, why, where and how to get you going.

10:15 - 11:15 in the Conference Room

"Planting for Pollinators and Pumpkins"
Speaker: David Heisler, Owner of Comus Market
Come learn about a farming approach using biodiversity. David Heisler will talk about his biocentric methods and the many wonderful types of squash and pumpkins he grows.

10:15 - 11:15 in the Kitchen

"How to Make Compost and Improve Your Soil"
Speakers: Master Gardeners Susan Eisendrath and Larry Himelfarb
Compost is good for the soil and easy to make. You'll learn why, how and what to compost, tips and troubleshooting. Get a free compost container and start composting right away!

11:30 - 12:30 in the Garage

"Get The Most From Your Small Vegetable Garden"
Speakers: Master Gardeners Mary Anne Normile and Pam Hosimer
Do you love fresh vegetables but have no space ? Learn how to grow vegetables in less space than you ever thought possible. Our ideas and techniques will get the most out of your small growing area.

11:30 - 12:30 in the Conference Room

"Success with Home Fruit Trees "
Speaker: Chuck Schuster, Senior Agent, Agriculture & Natural Resources, Commercial Horticulture
Learn what it takes to get fruit from apples, pears, peaches, plums, and cherries. We will discuss selection, planting, pruning, insects, disease, and spraying for fruit trees!

11:30 - 12:30 in the Kitchen cooking demonstration

"Growing Winter Vegetables and Eating Them Too !"
Speakers: Master Gardener/Chef Maro Nalabandian and Master Gardener Melissa Siegal
Look at what Winter Vegetables have to offer! These vegetables will not only offer problem-free gardening, but will deliver comforting hearty meals and a surprising delight for those with sweet tooth.