



RAINSCAPES

Rain Gardens

Are you looking for a way to beautify your neighborhood and improve your local environment? Do you have a low-spot that collects drainage? A rain garden is a landscaping approach that is beautiful, easy to maintain, and beneficial to local streams by reducing runoff and filtering pollutants from stormwater.

What are rain gardens and how do they work?

In essence, rain gardens function like miniature wetlands that help to absorb runoff and improve the quality of the water that flows into rivers and streams. Rainwater from paved surfaces and downspouts is directed to a low-lying garden that allows the water to be stored temporarily until it is absorbed by the plants and soil. Pollutants, such as fertilizer, pesticide residue, or even oil, grease, and heavy metals from roadways, are trapped by the rich organic soil and root systems in the garden. Clean water slowly soaks down through the soil until it "recharges" groundwater supplies.



How do I build a rain garden in my yard?

Before you start, you must consider whether your proposed garden's location is near a building, public area, or pathway, where flooding might be a problem or where it could cause property damage. The goal is to take advantage of these wet areas, not to haphazardly create a pond or wetland, which requires extensive planning and effort.

A basic approach might be to identify at least one downspout which can be redirected toward an area which slopes gradually away from your home. Keep the rain garden at least 10 feet away from the building, and ensure that all water flows away from the house to prevent dampness or flooding in your basement.

Layout your garden on the gentle slope, preferably in an irregular shape, such as a kidney bean or round-cornered crescent. Use an old hose to help create an attractive outline and start removing the top layer of turf and soil.



For your garden to effectively capture runoff, the work begins with creating a depression of about 2-1/2 feet. The bottom 2' is backfilled with a sandy soil mix to create the "sponge" and the other six inches is a storage space for temporary ponding that also contains the plants. The excess soil removed can be used to build up, or "berm", the sides of the garden.

The next step is the most crucial. Your goal is to create an area which will act like a sponge to soak up hundreds of gallons of rainwater. Local heavy clay soils will never function properly, and you will need to amend or replace the clay with compost – and lots of it. You can use the compost by itself, or mix it with topsoil and even some of the soil you have excavated. You might also want to add well-rotted leaves to the mix.

Rain gardens can become a perfect reason to start a backyard composting project. Information on how to start backyard composting is available from Montgomery County Master Gardeners.

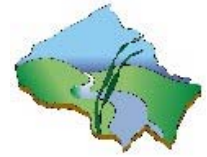
Did you know? Residential rooftops can contribute up to 40% of the imperviousness in many urban subwatersheds – rain gardens can make a big difference by capturing some of this runoff.

Does your garden pass the ponding test?

Planting is, of course, the fun part of the process. But before planting, let your garden handle several rainstorms first, to ensure that your soil amendments have settled appropriately, and to guarantee that water will not pond in the garden more than three days. If done properly, excess rainfall will flow over the garden and continue across your lawn, and water "harvested" by the garden will be absorbed within 24 hours. If water ponds for three days or more, you will need to improve the soil with more organic amendments and possibly lower the downslope side of the garden to improve runoff.



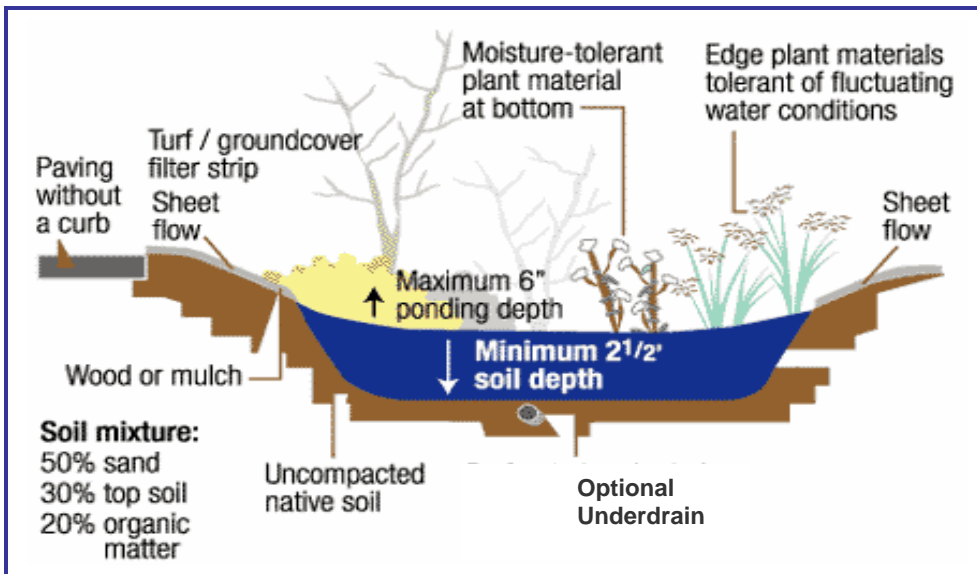
Flexible downspouts can deliver water to your garden, or you might bury corrugated drainage pipe in a trench and bring it to within one or two feet of the garden. It is important to allow rainwater to run over a grassy area or planted buffer before reaching the garden. You do not want a surge of rainwater to start eroding soils and washing away mulch.



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NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES!
Funding is available for Rain Gardens and other RainScapes projects through a rebate program, and for neighborhood-scale projects in targeted subwatersheds.

Please contact the RainScapes Team for more information
240-777-7700
www.rainscapes.org



A Finished Garden. Photo courtesy of Virginia Department of Forestry.

What Plants Should I Use?

The plants you select for your rain garden are often unlike those used in conventional settings. Native perennials that enjoy moist and even saturated soils will thrive in your garden, and will encourage visitation by butterflies, hummingbirds, and other nectar and berry feeders. Your palette can include **swamp milkweed, columbine and asters, ironweed, lobelia, blue flag, bluebells and bluestem grasses, bee balm, ferns, sedges and switchgrass, bonaset, gentians, liatris**, and much more.

You will need to consider sun or shade exposure, how moist your garden soil is and the duration of wetness, and also think about how well your plant selections can tolerate drought periods.

Many of these natives are now sold by local nurseries, where experienced horticultural staff can help match suitable plants with your rain garden needs. (see the *Rainscapes Native Plant Nurseries Factsheet* for some local suppliers.)



Planning and planting your rain garden can be a very rewarding way to help improve water quality of local streams and the Potomac River.

Maryland Native Plant Society

Dedicated to Protecting, Conserving, and Restoring
Maryland's Native Plants and Habitats

Sources of Native Plants for the Middle Atlantic Region

MNPS is providing this list only for the convenience of those who wish to purchase native plants. It is based primarily on information received from the vendors, and therefore is not intended as an endorsement or recommendation of any of the vendors listed. Some vendors sell non-native plants in addition to the native plants they carry. We recommend that you contact the vendors for additional information about their products. If you are a native plant vendor and would like to be listed, please contact our webmaster.

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Non-Profits

Adkins Arboretum

Sylvan Kauffman *
12610 Eveland Road
Ridgely, MD 21660
Phone: 410-634-2847

Website: www.adkinsarboretum.org

E-mail: adkinsar@intercom.net

The arboretum holds two plant sales a year. A smaller selection of plants is for sale at the Visitors' Center from May through October.

Chesapeake Natives, Inc.

Sara Tangren *
Takoma Park, MD
Phone: 301-580-6237

Website: www.ChesapeakeNatives.org

Plants and seeds, Chesapeake watershed ecotypes only.
Wholesale only. (Individuals and organizations may place an order by e-mailing AnnWing@ChesapeakeNatives.org)

Environmental Concern, Inc.

201 Boundary Lane

P.O. Box P

St. Michaels, MD 21663

Phone: 410-745-9620

Fax: 410-745-3517

Website: www.wetland.org

E-mail: horticulture@wetland.org

Wetland plants. Plant sales for the public monthly March-October. Dates are listed on the web site.

Herring Run Natives

6131 Hillen Road

Baltimore, MD 21239

Phone: 410-254-1577

Website: <http://www.herringrun.org/LearnSectionNativePlantNursery>

E-mail: [Darin Crew, dcrew@herringrun.org](mailto:dcrew@herringrun.org)

MD native shrubs and trees. Wholesale and retail sales by appointment.

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Stevenson, MD 21153

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Meadowview Biological Research Station

Phil Sheridan

8390 Fredericksburg Turnpike

Woodford, VA 22580

Phone: 804-633-4336

E-mail: meadowview@pitcherplant.org

Only *Drosera* and *Sarracenia*.

Nurseries — Retail and Wholesale

Check with individual nursery for visiting or ordering possibilities.

American Native Plants

(formerly Maryland Natives Nursery)

4812 East Joppa Road

Perry Hall, MD 21128

Website: www.americannativeplants.net

Appalachian Gardens

P.O. Box 87
Waynesboro, PA 17268
Phone: 717-762-4733
Wholesale, woody only.

Aquascapes Unlimited, Inc.

Randy Heffner
PO Box 364
Pipersville, PA 18947
Phone: 215-766-8151
Fax: 215-766-8986
Wholesale only.

Behnke Nursery Company

Larry Hurley *
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Beltsville, MD
Phone: 301-937-1100

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16212 Country Club Road
Melfa, VA 23410
Phone: 757-787-8484
E-mail: bobtownnursery@verizon.net
Ornamental trees, shrubs, grasses and ferns, as well as many varieties of native and wetland plants. We supply to wholesale and retail nurseries, landscaping contractors and developers. No individual retail mail order.

Botanique Nursery

Robert Sacilotto
387 Pitcher Plant Lane
Stanardsville, VA 22973
Website: www.pitcherplant.com
E-mail: rob@pitcherplant.com
Specializing in carnivorous plants. Visits for retail and wholesale by appointment only and wholesale mail order.

Clear Ridge Nursery, Inc.

Joseph R. Barley
217 Clear Ridge Road
Union Bridge, MD 21791
Phone: 410-775-7700
Fax: 410-848-5806

Website (wholesale): www.gonative.us

E-mail (wholesale): crn@qis.net

Website (retail): www.clearridgenursery.com

E-mail (retail) clearridge@qis.net

Primarily a wholesale nursery, does not have retail hours or staffing.

Native trees and shrubs for wetlands and uplands in the mid-Atlantic region.

Coldwater Pond Nursery

600 S. Marbletown Rd.

Phelps, NY 14532

Phone: 315-331-8068

Fax: 315-331-9106

Woody only. Wholesale only.

Doyle Farm Nursery *

Jacquelin Doyle

158 Norris Road

Delta, PA 17314

Phone, Fax: 717-862-3134

Website: www.doylefarm.com

Herbaceous native plants, mid-Atlantic species, mostly from seed.

Woodland, meadow plants, and grasses are available. Mail order, native plant sales, and yearly open houses. Paper catalog is available or on web site.

Edge of the Woods Nursery

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2415 Route 100.

Orefielde, PA 18069

Phone: 610-395-2570

Website: www.edgeofthewoodsnursery.com

E-mail: info@edgeofthewoodsnursery.com

Native grasses, ferns, aquatics, trees and shrubs.

Elk Ridge NatureWorks, LLC *

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283 Elk Ridge Lane

Grantsville, MD 21536

Phone: 301-895-3686

Website: www.elkridgenatureworks.com

E-mail: info@elkridgenatureworks.com

The owners propagate native plants from seed collected on the

Allegheny Plateau and build habitat boxes for bats and solitary bees.

Except for scheduled open house events, our wildlife garden and native plant nursery are open by appointment only.

Greenery Nursery and Landscape Center *

44222 Greenery Lane
Hollywood, MD 20636
Phone: 301-373-2596
E-mail: greenery-tae@md.metrocast.net

Heartwood Nursery *

Sue Dieter
2121 Blue Mount Road
Monkton, MD 21111
Phone: 410-343-0390
Fax: 410-357-8799
Website: www.heartwoodnurseryinc.com
E-mail: heartwoodnursery@yahoo.com
Wholesale, and retail by appointment only. Native trees, shrubs, groundcovers, and ferns.

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270 Valentine Mill Rd.
Louisa, VA 23093
Phone: 540-967-6160
Fax: 540-967-1333
Website: www.hylabrookfarm.com
E-mail: nativeplants@hylabrookfarm.com
Open by appointment only, April-October.

Lower Marlboro Nursery *

Mary Stuart Sierra
P.O. Box 1013
Dunkirk, MD 20754
Phone: 301-812-0808
Website: www.lowermarlboronursery.com
E-mail: contact@lowermarlboronursery.com
Eastern US native perennials, plus a limited selection of native trees & shrubs. Many choices for wildlife habitat gardens, rain gardens, and shade. Nursery open by appointment; mail order available. Online catalog with photos; print version with descriptions only available upon request.

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Alexandria, VA 22301
Phone: 703-683-4769
Website: www.nature-by-design.com
Hours: Wednesday - Saturday, 10am - 6pm; Sunday, 12 noon - 5pm

New Moon Nursery

13 Ways Lane

Kennett Square, PA 19348

Phone: 888-998-1951

Fax: 888-998-1952

Website: www.newmoonnursery.com

E-mail: info@newmoonnursery.com

Wholesale plug producer of northeastern / mid-Atlantic native herbaceous perennials, grasses, vines and shrubs.

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Dale Hendricks

RR 2, Box 33

Landenberg, PA 19350

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Fax: 610-255-4762

Website: www.northcreeknurseries.com

E-mail: infor@northcreeknurseries.com,

order@northcreeknurseries.com

Wholesale only. Herbaceous and some grasses, ferns and woody plants.

Octoraro Native Plant Nursery *

Jim MacKenzie

6126 Street Road

Kirkwood, PA 17536

Phone: 717-529-3160

Fax: 717-529-4099

Website: www.octoraro.com

E-mail: octoraro@octoraro.com

Wholesale only.

Pinelands Nursery

Don Knesick

323 Island Road

Columbus, NJ 08022

Phone: 609-291-9486

Fax: 609-298-8939

Website: www.pinelandsnursery.com

E-mail: sales@pinelandsnursery.com

Wholesale only.

Redbud Native Plant Nursery

1214 N Middletown Road

Glen Mills, PA 19342

Phone: 610-358-4300

Website: www.redbudnativeplantnursery.com

Redbud Native Plant Nursery offers a wide selection of Mid-Atlantic natives including trees, shrubs, vines, grasses, perennials and ferns.

Signature Horticultural Services *

Kevin Fabula

Freeland, MD

Phone: 410-329-6466

Fax: 410-329-2156

Wholesale only.

St. John's Botanicals, Inc. *

Sydney Vallentyne

7711 Hillmeade Road

Bowie, MD 20720

Phone: 301-262-5302

Website: www.st-johns.com

E-mail: stjohnsemail@aol.com

A small herbal arboretum set out as a teaching garden. Listed on the North American tour for the State of Maryland by the American Horticultural Society. Please call before visiting.

Sunlight Gardens

174 Golden Lane

Andersonville, TN 37705

Phone: 865-494-8237

Website: www.sunlightgardens.com

Sylva Native Nursery and Seed Company

Mike Hollins

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Wicklein's Water Gardens *

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Phone: 410-823-1335

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Wilsonville, AL 35186
Phone: 205-669-4097

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123 Challedon Drive
Walkersville, MD 21793
Phone: 301-898-7025
E-mail: jimbo21793@aol.com

Wings and Wildflowers Nursery *

Denise Gibbs

8619 Hawkins Creamery Road

Gaithersburg, MD 20882

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E-mail: monarch301@verizon.net

Specializing in nursery-propagated native nectar and host plants for butterflies, especially monarchs and checkerspots. Mostly herbaceous, some woody plants. By appointment only.

Yellow Springs Farm

Al Renzi

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Phone: 610-827-2014

Website: www.yellowspringsfarm.com

E-mail: Catherine@yellowspringsfarm.com

Plant sales by appointment only.

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**FULL SUN PERENNIALS, GRASSES AND
FERNS - PIEDMONT**

<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	Carpetbugle	Many cultivars, evergreen groundcover, purple flowers, up to 10" tall in flower, foliage hugs the ground
<i>Amsonia hubrechtii</i>	Bluestar flower, Arkansas bluestar	Blue summer flowers, fine texture, yellow fall foliage
<i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i>	Bluestar flower	3' tall, Blue summer flowers, butterfly plant
<i>Amsonia X 'Blue Ice'</i>	Bluestar flower	More compact form of Bluestar flower
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed	Bright orange summer flowers, Monarch butterfly larval food
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i>	New England Aster	Large billowing clouds of blue-purple flowers in the fall; several cultivars available
<i>Aster novae-angliae 'Purple Dome'</i>	Purple Dome New England Aster	Compact fall flowering purple aster, habitat plant
<i>Ceratostigma plumbaginoides</i>	Leadwort	Plumbago blue flowers, semi-evergreen, needs good drainage, very drought tolerant
<i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i>	Upland Sea Oats, Spangle Grass	3' tall, spreading groundcover
<i>Chelone glabra</i>	White Turtlehead	Larval food, white summer flowers
<i>Chelone lyonii</i>	Pink Turtlehead	Hot Lips' is a good cultivar, butterflies like this
<i>Echinacea purpurea 'Kim's Knee-Hi'</i>	Dwarf Purple Coneflower	15" tall, medium pink daisy like flower, fragrant
<i>Echinacea purpurea 'Magnus'</i>	Magnus Purple Coneflower	Dark pink summer flowers, fragrant, tolerant of moist and dry conditions, butterflies
<i>Echinacea purpurea 'Razzmatazz'</i>	Razzmatazz Purple Coneflower	Very showy flowers, double form, summer dark pink flowers, butterflies
<i>Eupatorium coelestinum</i>	Hardy Ageratum	Purple upright (2') fall blooming perennial, butterflies like it
<i>Eupatorium rugosum 'Chocolate'</i>	White Snakeroot	3' tall, white summer flowers, dark burgundy toned foliage
<i>Helianthus angustifolius</i>	Narrow-leaved Sunflower	Late summer bright yellow flowers all up and down 8' tall stalks, spreads
<i>Hemerocallis 'Happy Returns'</i>	Dwarf hybrid daylily	12" tall, repeat bloomer, dark yellow flowers, NON-INVASIVE form
<i>Hibiscus moscheutos</i>	Marsh Mallow	Several color cultivars, generally pink, 3' tall, very wet tolerant, coarse/bold texture
<i>Iris cristata</i>	Dwarf Crested Iris	Edger, 8-10" tall, light purple early spring flowers



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<i>Iris ensata</i> 'Rikki Pikki'	Rikki Pikki Japanese Iris	Tolerant of dry and wet condition, white flowers
<i>Iris ensata</i> 'Royal Robe'	Royal Robe Japanese Iris	Tolerant of dry and wet conditions, dark purple flowers
<i>Iris fulva</i>	Copper Iris	One of the Louisiana Iris parents, Orange late spring flowers, linear foliage, tolerant of wet and dry conditions
<i>Iris</i> LA Hybrids	Louisiana Iris	Several color choices, 3' tall, late spring-early summer flower, linear foliage
<i>Iris prismatica</i>	Slender Blue Flag	Linear form, blue late spring flowers
<i>Iris siberica</i>	Siberian Iris	Several color cultivars, spreading iris, very tolerant of a range of conditions, Spring bloom, 'Caesar's Brother' is a darker purple cultivar
<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Northern Blue Flag	Tolerant of very wet and drier conditions, medium blue flowers
<i>Iris virginica</i>	Southern Blue Flag	Tolerant of very wet and drier conditions, medium blue flowers
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft Rush	Semi-evergreen, clumping, upright, 3' tall
<i>Liatrus spicata</i> 'Kobold'	Gayfeather or Blazing Star	Purple form of linear flowering perennial, summer flower, clump foliage 12" tall, best in the drier portions of a raingarden
<i>Lilium superbum</i>	Turk's Cap Lily	Orange, tall summer flowering bulb
<i>Liriope spicata</i>	Creeping Lilyturf	Evergreen, spreading linear groundcover, 12" tall with purple summer flowers
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower	Bright red summer flowers, hummingbird attractor
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Great Blue Lobelia	Blue summer flowers, sun exposure in Mountains OK, needs shade in warmer zones and lower elevations, Fragrant
<i>Muehlenberia capillaris</i>	Pink Muhly Grass	24-30" tall grass with soft mauvy-pink inflorescence in late summer/fall
<i>Narcissus</i> naturalizing types	Daffodils	Some cultivars such as 'Ice Follies' and 'Thalia' seem to tolerate wet winter conditions better than others; if you are planting in the upper zones of the garden, plant freely
<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i>	Sundrops	Spreading semi-evergreen groundcover, Bright yellow flowers in Spring
<i>Panicum virgatum</i> 'Prairie Skies'	Switch Grass	Fine Texture, clumping, 6-8' tall, 'Heavy Metal' is another good cultivar



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<i>Pennisetum alopecuroides</i>	Dwarf Fountain Grass	3' clumping ornamental grass, very showy seed heads, birds like it
<i>Phlox paniculata</i> 'David'	David Garden Phlox	Very mildew resistant white form, 2-3' tall,
<i>Phlox subulata</i> 'Emerald Cushion Blue', 'Emerald Cushion Pink' or 'Candy Stripe'	Thrift, Creeping Phlox	Blue, Pink or Pink and White Striped Spring flowers on evergreen mat of foliage, fine texture, butterflies like it
<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	Obedient Plant	Upright purple or white (cultivar) forms, 2' tall, summer bloom
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>	Black-eyed Susan	Perennial form of black-eyed Susan - 'Goldsturm' is most typical cultivar, summer yellow daisy flower form
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan	Annual form of Black-Eyed Susan, State flower of Maryland
<i>Solidago</i> 'Fireworks'	Fireworks Goldenrod	Late summer, early Fall yellow perennial, birds and butterflies like it, flowers "explode" visually
<i>Solidago</i> 'Golden Fleece'	Golden Fleece Goldenrod	Late summer, early Fall yellow perennial, birds and butterflies like it
<i>Thelypteris palustris</i>	Marsh Fern	Fine Texture, spreading, deciduous fern, 2-3' tall
<i>Tradescantia virginiana</i>	Spiderwort	Long blooming perennial, several color cultivars, 18"-30" tall, reblooms if cut back after first flowering
<i>Tripsacum dactyloides</i>	Gamma Grass	Clumping arching small grass, fall inflorescence
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	Culver's Root	Upright white perennial, 3' tall, summer flowers
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<i>Calycanthus floridus</i>	Sweetshrub	Maroon flowers (unless 'Athens' cultivar - yellow), yellow fall color, fragrant flowers when in full sun
<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	Buttonbush	Summer white flowers, coarse texture, likes wet feet
<i>Chaemacyparis pisifera</i> 'Filafera aurea'	Dwarf Sawara False Cypress	Fine texture, "evergreen" (yellow) foliage, weeping form
<i>Chaemacyparis thyoides</i> 'Heatherbun'	Dwarf White Cedar	Fine texture, rounded form, evergreen
<i>Clethra alnifolia</i> 'Sixteen Candles'	Sixteen Candles Summersweet	White upright summer flowers, bees and butterflies like it, yellow fall color, suckering shrub
<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Redosier Dogwood	Red twigs in the winter and yellow fall leaf color, white flowers; there is a yellow cultivar, winter fruit for birds



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<i>Fothergilla gardenii</i> 'Mt. Airy'	Fothergilla	White fuzzy flowers in spring, yellow-orange-red fall color
<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i>	Smooth Hydrangea	White summer flowers, upright, 3-4' tall, cut back in late spring, blooms on new wood; 'Annabelle' is a tried and true cultivar
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> 'Pee Wee'	Dwarf Oakleaf Hydrangea	Very drought tolerant, white summer flowers, red fall color, coarse texture
<i>Ilex decidua</i>	Possumhaw	Deciduous holly, needs one male for every 6 females (ie 'Warren's Red'(female) and 'Red Escort' (male)), showy winter fruit
<i>Ilex glabra</i> 'Nana' or 'Densa'	Dwarf Inkberry	Fine texture, evergreen shrub, takes shearing well
<i>Ilex glabra</i> 'Shamrock'	Shamrock Inkberry	Fine texture, evergreen shrub, takes shearing well
<i>Ilex opaca</i>	American Holly	Many cultivars, grows in sun and shade, evergreen, wildlife plant, screening
<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Winterberry	Needs one male for every 6 females (ie 'Afterglow' (female) and 'Jim Dandy' (Male)), showy winter red fruit, wildlife plant
<i>Ilex verticillata</i> 'Maryland Beauty' or 'Red Sprite'	Dwarf female Winterberry	Needs 'Jim Dandy' as pollinator, 3' tall, rounded form, heavy fruit
<i>Itea virginiana</i> 'Henry's Garnet'	Henry's Garnet Virginia Sweetspire	Medium size arching shrub (3-5' tall and wide), white spring flowers, burgundy red fall color, dark red winter stems, butterfly and bird plant
<i>Itea virginiana</i> 'Little Henry'	Little Henry Virginia Sweetspire	Dwarf form; also sold as 'Spricht', red fall color and white spring flowers, red winter stems
<i>Kalmia angustifolia</i>	Sheep Laurel	Evergreen, similar to Mountain Laurel but shorter
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>	Mountain Laurel	Needs good drainage, evergreen, white flowers in late spring
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i> 'Tiddlywink', Minuet' or 'Elf'	Dwarf Mountain Laurel	Needs good drainage, evergreen, white flowers in late spring; Tiddlywink buds are redder with pronounced dots on flowers than the white flowering 'Elf' form
<i>Magnolia virginiana</i>	Sweetbay Magnolia	Upright oval form, semi-evergreen, fragrant white flowers, medium-coarse texture
<i>Myrica cerifera</i> 'Nana'	Dwarf Wax Myrtle	Fine-medium texture, evergreen, shears well
<i>Myrica pensylvanica</i>	Northern Bayberry	Fine texture, evergreen, shears well, wildlife plant
<i>Pieris floribunda</i>	Mountain Pieris	Evergreen, white spring flowers
<i>Rhododendron viscosum</i>	Swamp Azalea	White fragrant late spring flowers, likes the wetter areas of a raingarden

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<i>Rosa</i> 'Knock-out Radrazz'	Radrazz Knock Out Rose	Shrub rose, needs good drainage, blooms all summer, lightly fragrant. Very mildew resistant and low care.
<i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i>	Blueberry	3-5' tall, med-fine texture, white flowers in spring, red fallcolor
<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>	Highbush blueberry	Many cultivars, red fall color, white spring flowers, blue fruit, birds like plant
<i>Viburnum acerifolium</i>	Mapleleaf viburnum	Mauvey fall color, maple shaped leaves, white flower
<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Arrowwood, Southern Arrowwood	White summer flowers, upright form, black fruit
<i>Viburnum nudum</i>	Wild Raisin	Medium coarse texture, white spring flowers, yellow fall color
<i>Viburnum trilobum</i>	American Cranberry Bush	Deciduous, Red fruit, yellow-red fall color, wildlife plant
<i>Zenobia pulverulenta</i>	Dusty Zenobia	Evergreen, glaucous foliage, white flowers, 'Woodlander's Blue' is on available cultivar, medium shrub
FULL SUN - PIEDMONT - TREES		
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Hedge Maple	Dense foliage, small tree, good fall color
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red Maple	Many cultivars available, great fall color and fast growing canopy tree
<i>Alnus incana</i>	Speckled Alder	Multi-stem shrub/small tree, nice winter bark and upright form, Nitrogen fixer
<i>Betula nigra</i> 'Heritage' or 'Dura-Heat'	Heritage or Dura-Heat River Birch	Salmon and gray exfoliating bark, pendulous habit
<i>Betula nigra</i> 'Little King'	Little King River Birch	Dwarf River birch; also called 'Fox Valley'
<i>Celtis laevigata</i>	Sugarberry	Upright, smooth gray bark, shade tree
<i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	Fringetree	May grow more shrublike at first but becomes a small tree, white spring flowers, yellow fall color, females will get a black 'drupe' that looks like an olive
<i>Taxodium distichum</i>	Bald Cypress	Fine texture, deciduous conifer



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<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	Carpetbugle	Many cultivars, evergreen groundcover, purple flowers, up to 10" tall in flower, foliage hugs the ground
<i>Amsonia hubrechtii</i>	Blue-Star Flower	3' tall, fine texture, blue summer flowers, yellow fall color, needs part day of sun
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Columbine	Reddish flowers, 12-18" tall, freely reseeds
<i>Aralia racemosa</i>	Spikenard	White flowering perennial
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Jack-in-the-Pulpit	Spring emerging dramatic perennial, red fall fruit
<i>Aruncus dioicus</i>	Goatsbeard - female form	Large billowing clouds of white, up to 4' tall
<i>Asarum canadense</i>	Wild Ginger	Deciduous groundcover, edge plant, heart shaped leaves, up to 8" tall
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed	Bright orange summer flowers, Monarch butterfly larval food
<i>Aster divaricatus</i>	White Wood Aster	Fine texture, white flowers, fairly shade tolerant, 18" tall, fall blooming
<i>Aster ericoides</i>	Heath Aster	White flowers, fall bloom, fine texture
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i> 'Purple Dome'	Purple Dome New England Aster	Compact fall flowering purple aster, habitat plant, up to half day of shade OK
<i>Astilbe</i> 'Deutschland'	Perennial Spirea or White Astilbe	Late Spring/early summer upright fine texture white flowers, fern like foliage
<i>Astilbe</i> 'Rheinland'	Perennial Spirea or Pink Astilbe	Late Spring/early summer upright fine texture pink flowers, fern like foliage
<i>Athyrium felix-femina</i> ssp. <i>asplenoides</i>	Lady Fern	Fine texture, vertical structure 2' tall
<i>Baptisia alba</i>	Rattlebox	White flowered form of Baptisia; spring shoots look like black asparagus, half day of shade OK, needs excellent drainage
<i>Cimicifuga racemosa</i>	Black Cohosh , Black Snakeroot	White flowers, wand like appearance, 2-3' tall
<i>Convallaria majalis</i>	Lily of the Valley	Spring bulb, very fragrant white bell flowers, 8" tall
<i>Dennstaedia punctiloba</i>	Hay scented Fern	Tolerant of dry and wet conditions, spreads
<i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i>	Autumn Fern	Bronzy spring foliage, upright fern, good for massing
<i>Dryopteris fragrans</i>	Fragrant Woodfern	Upright, upright fern, drought tolerant
<i>Dryopteris marginalis</i>	Evergreen Woodfern	Evergreen groundcover, upright fern
<i>Elymus hystrix</i>	Bottlebrush grass	Upright, fine texture

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<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Common Boneset	White flowers, upright, butterflies like it
<i>Eupatorium coelestrinum</i>	Hardy Ageratum	Blue fuzzy flowers, upright, butterflies like flowers, fall bloom
<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i> 'Chocolate'	White Snakeroot	3' tall, white summer flowers, dark burgundy toned foliage
<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Spotted Geranium	Pink spring flowers
<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	Yellow Sneezeweed	Yellow flowers, upright
<i>Heuchera americana</i>	Alumroot	Evergreen, low foliage, straight species has red/pink flowers (AKA Coralbells), many cultivars
<i>Hosta</i> 'Fragrant Blue'	Fragrant Blue Hosta	Blue foliage, fragrant flowers
<i>Hosta sieboldiana</i> 'Elegans'	Elegans Hosta	Blue mid-size hosta, white flowers, fragrant
<i>Hosta</i> 'Sum and Substance'	Sum and Substance Hosta	Yellow leaf form, Coarse texture, white flowers, large plant
<i>Iris cristata</i>	Dwarf Crested Iris	Edger, 8-10" tall, light purple early spring flowers, needs partial shade
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft Rush	Semi-evergreen, clumping, upright, 3' tall
<i>Lilium superbum</i>	Turk's Cap Lily	Orange, tall summer flowering bulb
<i>Liriope spicata</i>	Lilyturf	Semi-Evergreen/Evergreen spreading groundcover, 12" tall, grassy texture, purple summer flowers, butterflies like it
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower	Bright red summer flowers, hummingbird attractor
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Great Blue Lobelia	Blue summer flowers, sun exposure in Mountains OK, needs shade in warmer zones and lower elevations, Fragrant
<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i>	Ostrich Fern	Dramatic vertical texture plant, clumps
<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Virginia Bluebells	Spring ephemeral, blue flowers, plant with Arum or other fall interest plant such as a late starting Hosta
<i>Monarda didyma</i> 'Marshall's Delight'	Bee Balm	Bright Pink flowers, 2-3' tall, mildew resistant, needs half day of sun
<i>Narcissus</i> naturalizing types	Daffodils	Some cultivars such as Ice Follies seem to tolerate wet winter conditions better than others; if you are planting in the upper zones of the garden, plant freely
<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i>	Sundrops, Primrose	Yellow Spring flowers, not suitable for full shade
<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i>	Cinnamon Fern	Tall upright deciduous fern with cinnamon like florescence
<i>Osmunda regalis</i>	Royal Fern	Tall deciduous fern, likes wet feet
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Foxglove Beardtongue	2-3' tall white flowers



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<i>Penstemon laevigatus</i>	Eastern Smooth Beardtongue	2-3' tall white flowers
<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Woodland Phlox	Semi-evergreen, spreading, 8" tall, flowers 12" tall, fragrant
<i>Phlox stolonifera</i>	Creeping Phlox	Various cultivars , evergreen groundcover, pink or blue flowers
<i>Polemonium reptans</i>	Jacob's Ladder	Can be variegated, blue flowers, deciduous ground cover
<i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i>	Christmas Fern	Evergreen, 12-15" tall clumping fern
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan	Annual form of Black-Eyed Susan, State flower of Maryland
<i>Scenecio aureus</i>	Sneezeweed	Evergreen heart shaped groundcover with yellow composite flowers in late spring (8-12" tall)
<i>Smilacina racemosa</i>	Solomon's Plume	Vertical Interest, white Spring flowers, red fruit, 2' tall
<i>Solidago ulmifolia</i>	Elm leaf Goldenrod	Late summer, early fall yellow flowers, wildlife plant
<i>Spiranthes cernua</i> var. <i>odorata</i>	Fragrant Lady's Tresses	Perennial white flowers, native terrestrial orchid, 2' tall
<i>Thelypteris noveboracensis</i>	New York Fern	Tall upright deciduous fern spreading form
<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	Foamflower	Spring upright white flowers, 8-12" tall, groundcover
<i>Tradescantia virginiana</i>	Spiderwort	Long blooming perennial, several color cultivars, 18"-30" tall, reblooms if cut back after first flowering
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	Culver's Root	Upright white perennial, 3' tall, summer flowers
<i>Viola labridorica</i>	Labrador Violet	Groundcover, Spreading, purplish foliage and violet flowers
<i>Viola odorata</i>	Sweet Violet	Groundcover, spreading, purple flowers, butterflies like this and it is fragrant
<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>	Virginia Chain Fern	Evergreen, coarser texture than most ferns, 2' tall
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<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>	Black Chokeberry	Rounded form, black fruit, birds like it
<i>Calycanthus floridus</i>	Sweetshrub	Maroon flowers (unless 'Athens' cultivar - yellow), yellow fall color, fragrant flowers when in full sun
<i>Chaemacyparis obtusa</i> 'Nana Gracilis'	Dwarf Hinoki False Cypress	Fine texture, sculptural appearance, needs half day of sun
<i>Clethra alnifolia</i> 'Ruby Spice'	Ruby Spice Summersweet, Pink dwarf Sweet Pepperbush	Pink Flowers, upright, dwarf, yellow fall color



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<i>Clethra alnifolia</i> 'Sixteen Candles'	Sixteen Candles Summersweet	White upright summer flowers, bees and butterflies like it, yellow fall color, suckering shrub
<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Redosier Dogwood	Red twigs in the winter and yellow fall leaf color, white flowers; there is a yellow cultivar, winter fruit for birds
<i>Fothergilla major</i> 'Blue Mist'	Witch-alder	Upright, glaucous foliage, white flowers, orange-red fall color
<i>Gaylussacia baccata</i>	Black Huckleberry	Low growing shrub, white flowers
<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i>	Smooth Hydrangea	White summer flowers, upright, 3-4' tall, cut back in late spring, blooms on new wood; 'Annabelle' is a tried and true cultivar
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i>	Oakleaf Hydrangea	'Alice' and 'Snow Queen' and Vaughn's Lily' are good cultivars, white summer flowers and muted red fall color, exfoliating winter bark, coarse texture
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> 'Pee Wee'	Dwarf Oakleaf Hydrangea	Very drought tolerant, white summer flowers, red fall color, coarse texture
<i>Ilex glabra</i> 'Nana' or 'Densa'	Dwarf Inkberry	Fine texture, evergreen shrub, takes shearing well
<i>Ilex opaca</i>	American Holly	Many cultivars, grows in sun and shade, evergreen, wildlife plant, screening
<i>Itea virginiana</i> 'Henry's Garnet'	Henry's Garnet Virginia Sweetspire	Medium size arching shrub (3-5' tall and wide), white spring flowers, burgundy red fall color, dark red winter stems, butterfly and bird plant
<i>Kalmia angustifolia</i>	Sheep Laurel	Evergreen, similar to Mountain Laurel but shorter
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>	Mountain Laurel	Needs good drainage, evergreen, white flowers in late spring
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i> 'Tiddlywink', 'Minuet' or 'Elf'	Dwarf Mountain Laurel	Needs good drainage, evergreen, white flowers in late spring; Tiddlywink buds are redder with pronounced dots on flowers than the white flowering 'Elf' form
<i>Leucothoe fontanesia</i> 'Compacta'	Compact Drooping Leucothoe	Evergreen, white flowers
<i>Leucothoe racemosa</i>	Fetterbush	Evergreen, white flowers
<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Spicebush	Yellow flowers, late Spring, Spicebush butterfly plant, upright coarse texture
<i>Rhododendron canescens</i>	Piedmont Azalea	Upright form, fragrant, light pink late spring flowers, butterflies like this, deciduous
<i>Rhododendron</i> 'Herbert'	Herbert Azalea	Orchid purple flowers in spring, fragrant
<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>	Rosebay Rhododendron	Rosy-pink flowers, late spring, needs good drainage, evergreen, med-coarse texture

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<i>Rhododendron vaseyi</i>	Pinkshell Azalea	Upright form, light pink spring flowers
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Elderberry	White flowers, Dark fruit, birds like this plant, upright coarse texture
<i>Tsuga canadensis</i>	Eastern Hemlock	Fine texture, shears well (tree but used as a shrub)
<i>Viburnum acerifolium</i>	Mapleleaf viburnum	Mauvey fall color, maple shaped leaves, white flower
<i>Viburnum trilobum</i>	American Cranberry Bush	Deciduous, Red fruit, yellow-red fall color, wildlife plant
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<i>Acer palmatum</i> 'Bloodgood'	Bloodgood Japanese Maple	Many cultivars available, only suitable for well drained area, best color in partial sun (afternoon shade)
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red Maple	Many cultivars available, great fall color and fast growing canopy tree
<i>Alnus serrulata</i>	Smooth Alder	Multi-stem shrub/small tree, nice winter bark and upright form, Nitrogen fixer
<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	Downy Serviceberry	White flowers in spring, red-orange fall color, birds like fruit, gray winter bark
<i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>	Serviceberry, Shadblow	White flowers in spring, red-orange fall color, birds like fruit, gray winter bark
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	American Hornbeam	Understory tree, yellow fall color, smooth gray bark
<i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	Fringetree	White Spring flowers, yellow fall color, gray winter bark; females make olive like drupes
<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Alternate-leaf Dogwood	Understory tree/shrub, white spring flowers, red fall color
<i>Cornus florida</i>	Flowering Dogwood	Many cultivars available, white spring flowers, red fall color and red fruit, only suitable for well drained situations
<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	Witchhazel	Yellow flowers, yellow-orange-red fall color
<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	Sassafras	Butterfly tree, great fall color





Web Resources for Rain Gardens

What is a Rain Garden?

- Maryland Montgomery County DEP RainScapes
<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Content/DEP/Rainscapes/home.html>
- Rain Garden Handbook for Western Washington Homeowners
http://www.pierce.wsu.edu/Water_Quality/LID/Raingarden_handbook.pdf
- Kansas 10,000 Rain Gardens
<http://www.rainkc.com/home/index.asp>
- Michigan - Rain Gardens of West Michigan
<http://www.raingardens.org/Index.php>
- Virginia Department of Forestry
<http://www.dof.virginia.gov/rfb/rain-gardens.shtml>
- Wisconsin - University of Wisconsin Extension
<http://clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs/home.htm#rain>
- American Horticultural Society USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map
http://www.ahs.org/pdfs/USDA_Map_3.03.pdf

How to Design a Rain Garden

- American Horticultural Society Heat Zone Map
http://www.ahs.org/pdfs/05_heat_map.pdf
- American Horticultural Society USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map
http://www.ahs.org/pdfs/USDA_Map_3.03.pdf
- Georgia - Athens/Clarke County - Build a rain garden
http://www.accstormwater.com/publicinfo/Build_a_Rain_Garden.pdf
- Georgia - Clean Water Campaign - How to design a rain garden
<http://www.cleanwatercampaign.com/html/636.htm>
- Michigan - Rain Gardens of West Michigan
<http://www.raingardens.org/Index.php>
- Rain Garden Network
<http://www.raingardennetwork.com/>
- Tennessee - The Harpeth River Rain Gardens for Backyards
http://www.harpethriver.org/backyard_raingardens.html
- Wisconsin - University of Wisconsin Extension
<http://clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs/home.htm#rain>

Construction

- LID Urban Design Tools - Bioretention Construction Schedule
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/bioretention/bio_schedule.htm
- Virginia Department of Forestry
<http://www.dof.virginia.gov/wq/index.shtml>

Cost

- LID Urban Design Tools - Bioretention Cost
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/bioretention/bio_costs.htm



- LID Urban Design Tools - Soil Amendment Cost
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/soilamend/soilamend_costs.htm
- Virginia Department of Forestry
<http://www.dof.virginia.gov/wq/index.shtml>

Maintenance

- LID Urban Design Tools - Bioretention Maintenance
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/bioretention/bio_maintain.htm

Plant Lists

- Maryland - Montgomery County MD Rain Garden Page with lists of Rain Garden information. <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Content/DEP/Rainscapes/garden.htm>
- Maryland - Montgomery County MD Rainscapes Page: Native Plant Nurseries from NY to VA <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Content/DEP/Rainscapes/nurseries.htm>
- Maryland - Montgomery County MD Rain Garden Page with lists of Rain Garden info. Links <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Content/DEP/Rainscapes/garden.htm>
- Finding Native Plants – Bayscapes Office link
<http://www.fws.gov/chesapeakebay//BayScapes/bsresources/bs-findingnatives.htm>
- American Native Plants Maryland Natives Nursery, Inc.
<http://www.americannativeplants.net> (wholesale site)
<http://www.retailnativeplantsonline.com> (retail site)
- Chesapeake Bay - Native Plants for Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Landscaping Chesapeake Bay Watershed
<http://www.fws.gov/chesapeakebay//BayScapes/bsresources/bs-nativeguides.htm>
- Chesapeake Bay - Nursery specializing in native plants from the Chesapeake Bay area
http://www.chesapeakenatives.com/Catalog_A_C.html
- Delaware - Coastal Plain Plant List
<http://www.fws.gov/chesapeakebay//BayScapes/bsexamples/bs-trappondplants.htm>
- Georgia - UGA extension sheet on plants for residential rain gardens; word document available on plants suitable for zone 7a and warmer (some suitable for zones 5 and 6)
<http://www.cleanwatercampaign.com/html/636.htm>
- Maryland - Plant list by physiographic region
<http://www.nps.gov/plants/pubs/nativesMD/lists.htm>
- Maryland - Native Plant Society
<http://www.mdflora.org/publications/natplants.html>
- Find a native list for your state
<http://plantnative.com/index.htm>
- Native Plants for Native Places; Native plant and seed nursery
http://www.sylvanative.com/trees_&_shrubs_i-p.htm
- North Creek Nurseries
<http://www.northcreeknurseries.com/index.cfm>
- Pinelands Nursery and Supply – Zonal Plant Selection for Stormwater management
<http://www.pinelandsnursery.com/stormwater.htm>
- Virginia - Albemarle County, VA, Master Plan Open Space Matrix, retrieved 11/17/2006
http://www.albemarle.org/upload/images/forms_center/departments/community_development/forms/Crozet_Master_Plan/Crozet_Master_Plan_Open_Space_Matrix.pdf
- Virginia - Nursery with wide range of plants and information
<http://www.lazyssfarm.com/storefront.htm>
- Virginia - Second Suffolk County list
http://www.suffolk.va.us/citygovt/udo/apdx_c/appendix_c9-2_plant_list.pdf



- Virginia - Native Plants for Conservation, Restoration and Landscaping, State of Virginia
<http://www.dcr.state.va.us/dnh/native.htm>
- Virginia - Bayscaping with Native Plants in Virginia
http://www.vaes.org.vt.edu/HRAREC/Bayscape/Bayscape_plants.htm

Plant Sizing and Spacing

- LID Urban Design Tools - Bioretention Sizing
http://www.lid-stormwater.net/bioretention/bio_sizing.htm
- Virginia Department of Forestry
http://www.dof.virginia.gov/mgt/resources/pub-Rain-Garden-Tech-Guide_03.pdf
- Virginia Department of Forestry
http://www.dof.virginia.gov/mgt/resources/pub-Rain-Garden-Tech-Guide_05.pdf
- Virginia Department of Forestry
<http://www.dof.virginia.gov/wq/index.shtml>

Selecting Plants

- <http://www.americannativeplants.net>
- http://www.plantnative.org/nd_kytomt.htm
- http://www.chesapeake natives.com/Catalog_A_C.html
- <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/dep/greenman/soggy.pdf>
- <http://www.fws.gov/chesapeakebay/BayScapes/bsresources/bs-nativeguides.htm>
- http://www.dof.virginia.gov/mgt/resources/pub-Rain-Garden-Tech-Guide_05.pdf

Hardiness Zones

- National Arboretum USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map
<http://www.usna.usda.gov/Hardzone/ushzmap.html>
- Washington Raintree Nursery USDA Hardiness Map
http://www.raintreenursery.com/map_usdaHardiness.html (new USDA hardiness zone map)
- http://www.ahs.org/pdfs/USDA_Map_3.03.pdf

Plant Images

- <http://www.growingforyou.com/pages/4/index.htm>
- <http://www.noble.org/webapps/plantimagegallery/>
- <http://www.armitageimages.net/>
- <http://www.northcreeknurseries.com/>