



OUR WATER – OUR WORLD

Fall Gardening Essentials

Presented by **Our Water Our World** in partnership with
the **Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District** and the **Vallejo Flood & Wastewater District**

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Resources for Gardening in Solano County

Our Water Our World: www.ourwaterourworld.org
Pest fact sheets & updated lists of less-toxic products

UC Statewide IPM Program: www.ipm.ucanr.edu
Identification of pests and weeds; pest notes with descriptions of pests and management methods.

UC IPM YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/user/UCIPM/videos
A wonderful collection of short videos on identifying and managing common pests.

Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District: www.fssd.com

Vallejo Flood & Wastewater District: www.vallejowastewater.org/SitePages/default.aspx
Information on protecting watersheds and reducing runoff, managing common pests, hiring eco-certified pest controllers and local events.

Solano County Master Gardeners: solanomg.ucanr.edu
Garden education, resources, and demonstration gardens for Solano County.

California Native Plant Society: jepson.cnps.org
Plant recommendations, sources of native plants, and publications aimed at conserving and appreciating native plants. Enter your zip code into their Calscape site for a list of plants suitable to your location: calscape.org

WUCOLS: ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS
Plant database with details on growing and caring for plants that are good choices for our area.

Greywater Action: greywateraction.org
Greywater Action is a collaborative of educators who teach residents and tradespeople about affordable and simple household water systems that dramatically reduce water use and foster sustainable cultures of water.

Bug Guide – bugguide.net

National Pesticide Information Center – npic.orst.edu

Solano County Watering Schedule: www.solano.watersavingplants.com/calc
The Water Calculator is intended to give you crucial advice on how to set your irrigation controller properly and how to manage it thereafter.

Rebate!

City of Fairfield: www.fairfield.ca.gov/government/city-departments/public-works/water-division/water-conservation/residential-conservation

City of Vallejo: www.cityofvallejo.net/cms/One.aspx?portalId=13506&pageId=23562

Solano Water Agency: www.scwa2.com/water-efficiency/rebates-programs

Plant Harmony: plantharmony.org or suzanne@plantharmony.org

Visit this organic gardening site to contact our speaker with questions and to sign up for weekly gardening tips.

PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Sites:

www.solanocounty.com/depts/rm/planning/household_hazardous_waste.asp

- Fairfield, Suisun, & Unincorporated Areas: Solano Garbage Company, 2901 Industrial Court, Fairfield (707) 437-8901
- Vallejo: Vallejo-Napa Household Hazardous Waste Facility 889A Devlin Rd, American Canyon (707) 259-8608 or (800) 984-9661

BOOKS

- **Attracting Native Pollinators:** Xerces Society, Storey Publishing, 2011. Information on providing flowering habitat and nesting sites for our native pollinators.
- **Gaia's Garden,** Toby Hemenway, Chelsea Green Publishing, 2009. A practical introduction to permaculture with tips on building fertile soil, conserving water, creating habitat and growing edibles along with ornamentals.
- **Gardener's Guide to Common-Sense Pest Control,** Olkowski, Daar, Steve Ash, Taunton Press, 2013. A practical guide that offers effective pest management strategies with the least risk to people and the environment.
- **The Water-wise Home,** Laura Allen, Storey Publishing, 2015. How to conserve, capture and reuse water in your home and landscape. A practical guide to greywater reuse and rainwater harvesting for home water saving solutions
- **Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates,** EBMUD, 2004. A perfect resource for choosing plants for the Bay Area and designing a healthy garden that attracts beneficials.
- **Vegetable Pest Identification for Gardens and Small Farms,** Publication 3553, Mary Louise Flint, Andrew Sutherland, Karey Windbiel-Rojas, ANR Communication Services, 2018, order from ANR catalog: 1-800-994-8849. Color photos and detailed text on a set of laminated cards to help identify and manage pests of vegetable gardens.
- **What's Wrong with My Plant: A Visual Guide to Easy Diagnosis and Organic Remedies,** David Dearnorff and Kathryn Wadsworth, Timber Press, 2009. Flow charts that help to accurately diagnose plant problems along with less-toxic management strategies.

Our Water Our World helps consumers find eco-friendly products for use in their homes and gardens and provides information on managing common garden and household pests.

Please visit our website at:

www.ourwaterourworld.org

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