



OUR WATER – OUR WORLD

Helpful Gardening Resources in Solano County

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

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

- **Bee Precaution Pesticide Rating:** www2.ipm.ucanr.edu/bee precaution

Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District: fssd.com

Vallejo Flood & Wastewater District: vallejowastewater.org/SitePages/default.aspx
Information on protecting watersheds and reducing runoff, managing common pests, hiring eco-certified pest controllers and local events.
To view recorded educational webinars, please visit: fssd.com/public-outreach

Plant Harmony: plantharmony.org or suzanne@plantharmony.org
Visit this organic gardening site to contact our speaker with questions and to view upcoming 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.

Arboretum All Stars: arboretum.ucdavis.edu/arboretum-all-stars
A wonderful plant resource & data base with the focus on a place for the public to learn about climate change and the importance of regionally appropriate landscaping

Solano County Watering Schedule: 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.

The Xerces Society: xerces.org
The Xerces Society is a science-based nonprofit organization that protects wildlife through the conservation of invertebrates and their habitats.

Pollinator Partnership: pollinator.org, Pollinator Partnership's mission is to promote the health of pollinators, critical to food and ecosystems, through conservation, education, and research.

OMRI – Organic Materials Review Institute: omri.org, OMRI supports organic integrity by developing clear information and guidance about materials, so that producers know which products are appropriate for organic operations. OMRI is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides an independent review of products, such as fertilizers, pest controls, livestock health care products, and numerous other inputs that are intended for use in certified organic production and processing.

National Pesticide Information Center: npic.orst.edu

NPIC provides objective, science-based information pesticides and pest related topics to enable people to make informed decisions. Find the Natural Enemies Quick List at this website.

Bug Guide: bugguide.net

This online community is a fantastic resource to help you identify insects, spiders, and other related creatures

Rebate!

City of Fairfield: www.fairfield.ca.gov/gov/depts/pw/utility/water/water_conservation/default.asp

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

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
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BOOKS

- **California Bees & Blooms, A Guide for Gardeners and Naturalist**, Gordan W. Frankie, Robbin W. Thorp, Rollin E. Coville, and Barbara Ertter, Heyday Books, 2014. This guidebook by the state's preeminent bee & botany experts provides an up-close view of humming, buzzing creatures that shape entire ecosystems.
- **The Bees in Your Backyard**, Joseph S. Wilson & Olivia Messinger Carril, Princeton University Press, 2016. This book provides an engaging introduction to the roughly 4,000 different bee species found in the United States and Canada, dispelling common myths about bees while offering essential tips for telling them apart.
- **Gardening for Butterflies**, The Xerces Society, Timber Press, 2016. This beautiful book introduces you to a variety of butterflies who need our help, and provides suggestions for native plants to attract them, habitat design to help them thrive.
- **Gardening in Summer-Dry Climates, Plants for a Lush, Water-Conscious Landscape**, Nora Harlow & Saxton Holt, Timber Press, 2020. This handbook shares the plants and practices for gardening in our California climate, with everything you need to create a flourishing summer-dry garden.
- **Golden Gate Gardening**, Pam Peirce, Sasquatch Books, 2010. The complete guide to year-round food gardening in the San Francisco Bay Area and Coastal California.
- **Plant Partners**, Jessica Walliser, Storey Publishing, 2020 Science-based companion planting strategies for the Vegetable Garden
- **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.

- **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
- **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.
- **Landscape Pests Identification Cards**, Publication 3513, Larry Strand & Jack Kelly Clark, ANR Communication Services, 2011, order from ANR catalog: 1-800-994-8849. Pocket-sized, laminated cards are a handy reference to insect pests and diseases and management strategies for landscape plants.
- **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 Deardorff 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