



Online Information Resources for GREEN GARDENING

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PLANT NAMES and SOURCES

Dave's Garden, PlantFiles—database with information about plants, including comments from gardeners
<http://davesgarden.com/pf/>

Hortiplex Plant Database—plant images and data as well as links to information and sources
<http://hortiplex.gardenweb.com/plants/>

Miller Library's Sources for Plants page
http://depts.washington.edu/hortlib/resources/sfp/sources_for_plants.shtml

Oregon State University Landscape Plants—images, id, and info
<http://oregonstate.edu/dept/ldplants/>

PLANTS Database (USDA)—standardized information about the vascular plants, mosses, liverworts, hornworts, and lichens of the U.S. and its territories
<http://plants.usda.gov/>

Plants for a Future—resource center for rare and unusual plants, particularly those with edible and medicinal uses
<http://pfaf.org/>

INSECT, PEST, and DISEASE IDENTIFICATION & INFORMATION

Forestry Images—insect, disease, and other images
<http://www.forestryimages.org/pests.cfm>

Texas A & M University insect id
<http://insects.tamu.edu/extension/insctans/identification/>

University of Florida insect and nematode information
<http://entnemdept.ifas.ufl.edu/publicat.html>

University of Wisconsin insect id
<http://www.entomology.wisc.edu/insectid/index.html>

Virginia Tech insect id, including organic/biological controls
<http://everest.ento.vt.edu/%7Eidlab/idlist.html>

WSU's Pest Leaflet Series

<http://www.puyallup.wsu.edu/plantclinic/resources/pls-res.html>

INSECT, PEST, DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION—broad range

Brooklyn Botanic Garden Natural Insect Control and Disease Prevention

<http://www.bbg.org/gar2/topics/sustainable/handbooks/insectcontrol/7.html>

<http://www.bbg.org/gar2/topics/sustainable/handbooks/naturaldisease/ninekeys.html>

California Statewide IPM Project—IPM fact sheets
<http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/>

Missouri Botanical Garden IPM List of Pests by Plant Host
<http://www.mobot.org/gardeninghelp/plantfinder/ipmhostlist.asp>

National Sustainable Agriculture Information Service—pest management
<http://attra.ncat.org/pest.html>

Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP)—studies on pesticides and inerts, fact sheets on pesticides and alternative solutions
<http://www.pesticide.org>

Oregon State University Online Guide to Plant Disease Control (PNW Plant Disease Management Handbook)
<http://plant-disease.ippc.orst.edu/index.cfm>

ProIPM fact sheets—IPM solutions for specific pest problems
http://www.seattle.gov/util/Services/Yard/For_Landscape_Professionals/Integrated_Pest_Management/PROIPM_QUE_200312041625339.asp

Royal Horticultural Society Horticultural Advice
http://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/problem_solver/index.asp

Washington Toxics Coalition—information on toxicity and alternatives to pesticides

<http://www.watoxics.org>

WEED IDENTIFICATION IN LAWNS

UC Davis IPM Online—Guide to Healthy Lawns

<http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/TOOLS/TURF/PESTS/weedkey.html>

INVASIVE and/or NOXIOUS WEEDS

Center for Invasive Plant Management

<http://www.weedcenter.org/>

Invasive and Noxious Weeds (USDA PLANTS Database)

<http://plants.usda.gov/java/noxiousDriver>

invasive species of all kinds

<http://www.invasive.org/>

King County Noxious Weed Control Program

<http://dnr.metrokc.gov/wlr/lands/weeds/weedid.htm>

Washington Native Plant Society Noxious Weed Project

http://www.wnps.org/invasive_species/noxious_weed_project.html

ORGANIC GARDENING PRACTICES

King County Natural Yard Care info

<http://www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/swd/naturalyardcare/index.asp>

Seattle Public Utilities Natural Lawn & Garden Care info

http://www.seattle.gov/util/Services/Yard/Natural_Lawn_&_Garden_Care/index.asp

Seattle Tilth—organic gardening workshops, Garden Hotline, children's gardens

<http://www.seattletilth.org> ; info@gardenhotline.org

UC Santa Cruz, Center for Agroecology & Sustainable Food Systems—internships and education

<http://casfs.ucsc.edu/index.html>

PLANT SELECTION TOOLS (right plant, right place)

Great Plant Picks (PNW)

<http://www.greatplantpicks.org/>

Royal Horticultural Society (UK) Plant Selector

<http://www.rhs.org.uk/rhsplantselector/default.aspx>

Seattle Public Utilities PNW Plant List

http://www.seattle.gov/util/stellent/groups/public/@spu/@csb/documents/webcontent/choosingt_200311261701525.pdf

TREES (--the tip of the iceberg)

Cal Poly Urban Forests Ecosystems Institute—trees native to CA and elsewhere—characteristics—only site we know about that mentions general root growth tendencies for many trees that grow in the PNW

<http://selectree.calpoly.edu/>

Forest and Shade Tree Pathology—root diseases

<http://www.forestpathology.org/root.html>

International Society of Arboriculture—Trees Are Good—pruning and other info

<http://www.treesaregood.com/>

Plant Amnesty—invaluable info on plants and pruning

<http://www.plantamnesty.org/>

SOIL TESTING—instructions, labs

Ribeiro Plant Lab, Inc. (Bainbridge Island)—specializes in plant disease diagnosis

<http://www.ribeiroplantlab.com/>

Soil Food Web—soil testing info and compost tea

http://www.soilfoodweb.com/01_services/index.html

soil testing labs and consultants serving the PNW

<http://wspr.wsu.edu/AnalyticalLabsEB1578E.pdf>

testing for toxins and local labs (King County Public Health)

<http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hazard/residenttesting.htm>

University of Massachusetts, Amherst—relatively inexpensive

<http://www.umass.edu/plsoils/soiltest/>

PEOPLE, BLOGS & MISC.

Amy Stewart and company blog—bored with perfect magazine gardens...appalled by chemical warfare

<http://www.gardenrant.com/>

Ciscoe Morris—expert local gardening advice

<http://www.ciscoe.com>

Institute of Neurotoxicology and Neurological Disorders
Steve Gilbert, Toxicologist

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King County Hazardous Waste Management—IPM and EnviroStar info and support

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local gardening goddess with loads of info about plants that grow in Seattle

<http://www.paghat.com/>