

Gardener by Nature LLC



Our spring workshops are designed for novice gardeners and those new to the Triangle; however, interested gardeners of all experience levels are welcome.

Classes are conducted in Swiftbrook Gardens near Lake Wheeler and include hands-on activities. Participants should dress in comfortable attire that is appropriate for outdoor activities.

To learn more about us, please visit our website:

<http://gardenerbynature.com>

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*Guiding you to
successful gardening!*

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Green and Gold (*Chysogonum virginianum*)

*Workshops for
Spring 2010*

Name: _____

Address: _____

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City/State

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Name of Class _____

Date/Time _____

Would you like to receive information about future class offerings? Please circle your preference:

No thank you.

Yes; I prefer to receive information via: U. S. Postal Service

Email

About the Instructors

Dale and John are co-creators of Swiftbrook Gardens. Having designed and nurtured residential gardens from the foothills to the coastal plain, Dale is especially interested in wildlife habitat gardening with native plants. John offers a solid knowledge of ornamental plants as well as a background in scenic and lighting design. Relying on firsthand gardening experiences, as well as their expertise and training, together they create workshops that are informative, fun, and practical.

Cost

Workshop fees (\$30 per 2.5 hour session) are payable by check. Fees are non-refundable after the **Registration Deadline**.

How to Register

Complete and submit the attached registration form. Email dale@gardenerbynature.com with questions, or telephone (919) 828-2015. Registered students will be provided directions to Swiftbrook Gardens.

Special Sessions

These workshops and other topics can be presented as special sessions for garden clubs or other interested groups of six or more. Telephone (919) 828-2015 for details.

Fine Print (Please Read!)

Registrations are final when payment is received. Make checks payable to **Gardener by Nature LLC**. Refunds are **not available after the Registration Deadline**. Students who are unable to attend due to last-minute emergencies may request a voucher for future classes.

Classes are held outdoors, so students should dress accordingly. In extreme weather, classes may be cancelled. Every effort will be made to contact students beforehand. If a class is cancelled by Gardener by Nature, for any reason registered students may choose a refund or a make-up class.

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Blooming Shade

Saturday, March 20, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Most of us appreciate the shade of a front porch or a hammock under the trees for relief from the sun and heat. However, we often think that all plants need full sun for brilliant flowers. We'll demonstrate you don't have to sacrifice color for comfort as we explore plants that thrive and bloom in shade. Special considerations for planting around and under trees will also be discussed.

Woodland gardens are good for the environment and provide restful oases for gardeners, birds, and other wildlife. Join us to see just how bright and beautiful they can also be. **Cost \$30**

Registration Deadline: March 18

Inviting Native Plants

Saturday, March 27, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Identifying and encouraging native plants in your garden or natural areas not only benefits wildlife, it also connects your garden to the surrounding natural community. Participants will spend time exploring a woodland garden and learn to identify some Piedmont native plants likely to return in reforestation areas.

Dale will share resources for identifying and growing natives and for recognizing and controlling invasive exotic plants. **Cost \$30**

Registration Deadline: March 25

Busy Gardener's Maintenance Planner

Saturday, April 10, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. and

Saturday, April 17, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Confused about when to prune your hydrangea . . . are you wondering if a shot of Epsom salts might help the gardenias? Timely maintenance is important, but it needn't take the joy out of gardening.

Part one of this two-session workshop covers the "what and how" of basic garden tasks including pruning and fertilizing. In the second class, participants will learn to care for plants in their own gardens as they develop a personal maintenance calendar. **Cost \$60**

Registration Deadline: April 8