

# Gardening for Diversity and Supporting the Food Web

## Engage Other People:

### Signs Advertise What You Are Up To

- o [Tallgrass Prairie Center](#)
- o [The Pollinator Partnership](#)
- o [The Xerces Society](#)
- o [National Audubon Society](#)

### Find Support and Community

- o [Iowa Native Plant Society](#)
- o [Nebraska Native Plant Society](#)
- o [Iowa Prairie Network](#)
- o Hundreds of Social Media Opportunities to Connect!

## Educate Yourself and Others:

### City Ordinances

- o [Working with Weed Laws](#)
- o [Look up your own city and search "weeds"](#)
- o [Noxious Weeds of Iowa](#)

### Homeowners Association

- o [Tips](#)

### Backyard Habitat DIY

- o [Assess What You Have](#)
- o [Xerces "How to" Database](#)
- o [Starting Your Garden from the Ground Up \(BlankParkZoo\)](#)
- o [Wild Ones Native Garden Designs Website](#)
- o [Prairie Restoration Technical Guide Series](#)

### Choose the Right Plants For Your Yard

- o [Houzz Spotlights on Natives](#)
- o [Native Plant Visuals By Heather Holm](#)
- o [NWF Native Plant List](#)
- o [Xerces Native Plant List By State](#)
- o [Audubon Native Plant List](#)

### Educational Websites

- o [Bringing Nature Home](#)
- o [Tallgrass Prairie Center](#)
- o [National Pollinator Garden Network](#)
- o [Pollinator Partnership](#)
- o [Bird Friendly Iowa](#)

### Books (*that I have personally read*)

- o *Butterfly Gardening with Native Plants* -Christopher Kline
- o *Bees an Identification and Native Plant Forage Guide* -Heather Holm
- o *Bringing Nature Home* -Douglas Tallamy
- o *Planting in a Post-Wild World* -Thomas Rainer & Claudia West

## Empower Yourself and Others To Take Action:

### Buy Native Plants and Seeds

- o Ask Your Local Nurseries!
- o [Wild Ones!](#)
- o [Tallgrass Prairie Center](#)
- o [Lists of NE & IA Vendors](#)

### Community Science

- o [Monarch Larva Monitoring](#)
- o [Monarch Tagging](#)
- o [Discover Life Lists](#)
- o [Xerces: Bee Monitoring](#)

## Register Your Garden:

- o [Homegrown National Park](#)
- o [Million Pollinator Garden Challenge](#)
- o [Plant. Grow. Fly.](#)
- o [Climate Victory Garden](#)
- o [Certified Wildlife Habitat](#)
- o [N. A. Butterfly Association](#)
- o [Wild Ones](#)