

Natural Landscaping

Spring 2013 Course

Course Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE, TIME, LOCATION</u>
Session 1: Introduction, Site Analysis	Monday, April 22, 6-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
Session 2: Field Trip – Native Plant Communities	Saturday, April 27, 1-4:00pm Dungeness Recreation Area
Session 3: Designing with Natural Landscaping Principles	Monday, April 29, 6-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
Session 4: Field Trip – Cultivated Natural Landscapes	Saturday, May 4, 1-3pm Peninsula College Campus
Session 5: Planting & Maintenance, plus Special Topics	Monday, May 6, 6-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
Session 6: Field Trip – No-till Landscaping	Saturday, May 11, 10:00-noon

Course Overview

Natural Landscaping Course participants will learn how to evaluate the unique site conditions of their properties, develop landscape plans and identify plants appropriate for those conditions, and develop strategies for implementing their plans. Based on Permaculture principles and focusing on a naturalistic landscape style, the following design objectives are emphasized:

- Water conservation
- Stormwater management
- Use of native trees and shrubs in the residential landscape
- Wildlife habitat and biodiversity enhancement
- Natural yard care and other environmentally sound landscaping and maintenance practices

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Materials Provided:

- ✓ *Grow Your Own Native Landscape* by Michael Leigh, 1997. Washington State University Extension.
- ✓ Three-ring binder with numerous handouts.

Recommended Reading and Supplies:

- *Native Plants in the Coastal Garden*. April Pettinger with Brenda Costanzo. 2002. Whitecap Books, North Vancouver, BC (out of print).
- *Sustainable Landscaping for Dummies*. Owen Dell. 2009. Wiley Publishing, Inc.
- Site plan or sketch of lot, including buildings. Tracing paper.

Field Trips:

Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00pm – Dungeness Recreation Area Plant Walk

Saturday, May 4, 1:00-3:00pm – Tour of Peninsula College campus

Saturday, May 11, 10:00-noon – Paul Gautschi property

Course Sponsors: Clallam Conservation District, Dungeness River Audubon Center