



HOME HORTICULTURE

Certificate Program

Each garden is a unique combination of site, soil, climate and the gardener who creates it. The Home Horticulture Certificate gives you the knowledge and skill to select plants successfully, and to develop, grow and maintain your home landscape.

The curriculum assists you in mastering the gardening techniques best suited for North Carolina gardens through lectures, demonstrations, field experiences and projects. The classes focused on native plants and systems will assist you in sustainable gardening. Enjoy learning from local experts and sharing your experiences with other gardeners.

You do not have to be enrolled in a certificate program to take a class. Everyone is welcome in certificate courses.

Participants already pursuing the certificate should continue to complete the requirements in place when they began. For people just beginning the certificate program, please see the requirements listed below.

FULL LISTING OF REQUIRED COURSES:

For current programs scheduled, please see the class listings. Some required courses are offered seasonally.

- Landscape Plants for North Carolina Gardens: four seasonal courses—spring, summer, fall and winter, page 26
- Basic Botany and Plant Growth, page 26
- Gardening 101
- Caring for Your Landscape, page 26

ELECTIVE COURSES:

These courses change seasonally, and 40 class hours of electives are the minimum required to complete your certificate. Electives are created in response to student requests, allowing students to pursue their specific interests.

ELECTIVE CLASSES THIS SEASON INCLUDE:

- Design Strategies for an English Garden, page 24
- I Need a Plan: 4 classes listed on page 25
- Plants of Distinction: 3 classes listed on page 28
- The WOW Factor: 3 classes listed on page 27
- A Rose by Any Other Name, page 27
- The Life Beneath Our Feet, page 29
- An Herbal Primer, page 29
- Small Group Workshop: Planting in a Post-Wild World, page 30
- Growing for Seed, page 31