



2023 GROWING IN NORTHERN IDAHO CLASS SERIES

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EXTENSION PROGRAM



University of Idaho
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All Classes at UI Research Park
985 S. Lochsa St. Post Falls, ID.
83854 (just past Buck Knives)

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Come Grow with Us!

Spring Class Series - in person, limited seating, preregister

Managing Your Backyard Forest Sat, Feb 18, 2023 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Most owners of smaller "backyard forests" are interested primarily in keeping their trees healthy and their landscapes attractive. Unfortunately, many do not consider action until backyard forest trees are visibly suffering from some kind of insect or disease problem, which are usually preventable. This class will help homeowners with smaller acreages of forested land apply basic concepts of forest ecology to their trees. Topics will also include promoting native North Idaho trees, identifying common forest insects and diseases, and enhancing forest wildlife habitat.

Seed Starting Essentials for the Home Gardener & Soil Demonstrations Sat, Feb 25, 2023 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Presented by Candace Godwin, Certified Idaho Master Gardener & Owner, of The Coeur d'Alene Coop. We'll cover all the basics of starting a vegetable garden from seed (plus herbs and flowers too). Topics include seed biology, what seeds need to germinate, soils and fertilizers, timing and understanding days to maturity, and seed starting equipment. Plus Free tomato seeds to all participants! Kara Carleton, Coordinator of the Idaho Master Gardener Program will also show a unique method called like soil blocking to save time and resources. Soil blocking allows you to get rid of most of your plastic in your seed starting process. Let's get our 2023 growing season off to a great start together! Soil demonstrations will help you learn to work with the soil you have and gain success with your garden soil and structure!

Landscaping for Fire Prevention Sat, Mar 4, 2023 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Every summer, we see numerous media reports of homes in the woods threatened by wildfires. Forest fires are a fact of life in the Inland Northwest. Homes located on forested lands (the "wildland urban interface") can be at high risk. Forest fires are not always easy to stop. You can take action to reduce the risk of damage to your home from wildfire. Learn to modify your house and landscape to make them less likely to burn and easier for firefighters to access.

Pre-registration
with payment is
required.

LIMITED SEATING

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Scan for over 60
handouts on our
website!

Raising Native Bees for Increased Pollination Sat, Mar 18, 2023 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Instructor, Kara Carleton, Idaho Master Gardener Program Coordinator. Northern Idaho is home to almost 600 native, hive-less bees. We invite you to learn how to raise two species of these bees: the Spring Blue Orchard Mason Bee and the Summer Leaf Cutter Bee. Both are docile, non-aggressive, and safe for families and pets. Learn why all nests being sold aren't healthy for these insects, learn how to build or purchase correct nests, learn how to create beautiful habitat for these and other native pollinators, as well as how to grow more food with native bees in our unique climate.

Identifying Idaho's Trees Sat, Apr 8, 2023 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Because we have such a varied range of geography, soils, and precipitation patterns, Idaho has a wider variety of native trees than most other Rocky Mountain states. The first step in caring for these trees, whether they are in a landscape or in a forest, is correct species identification. Distinguishing between Idaho's trees can be a daunting task for beginners. Through a combination of images and live samples, Identifying Idaho's Trees will help participants quickly identify Idaho's most common native trees.

Fruits of Your Labor - An Introduction to Growing Fruit Trees in our Northern Climate

Sat, Apr 15, 2023 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

This will be an introductory class for beginning tree fruit growers and those new to our area. Fran, a certified Idaho Master Gardener will cover types of fruit trees to grow here (and what doesn't survive) site selection, correct growing zones (think zone 4) general care, cultivar selection for northern sites, and the most common pests and diseases of our area. Basic pruning techniques will be covered and resources will be available to help you with this skill.

Native Plants for the Home Landscape Sat, Apr 22, 2023 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Kathy Hutton from Plants of the Wild will guide you in selecting the correct native plants for your specific situation so your naturalized landscape can be successful. She will also share information on Plants of the Wild's line of "not so native" plants, Native Roots, that help with the challenges of residential landscaping with native plants. Learn about alternatives to traditional lawn turf, grasses and groundcovers, shrubs and flowering perennials to "rewild" your landscape, feed our abundant native pollinators and provide year round interest.

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OR print the pdf from our website, fill out and mail or drop off.



Ask a Master Gardener 4 ways:



Walk-in:

9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday
April – September

"Ask a MG"  Booth:

area locations
schedule = our event page (nurseries, hardware stores, KC Farmer's Market)
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Website (upload photos):

uidaho.edu/Kootenai/garden

Email (attach photos):

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