

Grow Indiana Natives Certification Programs



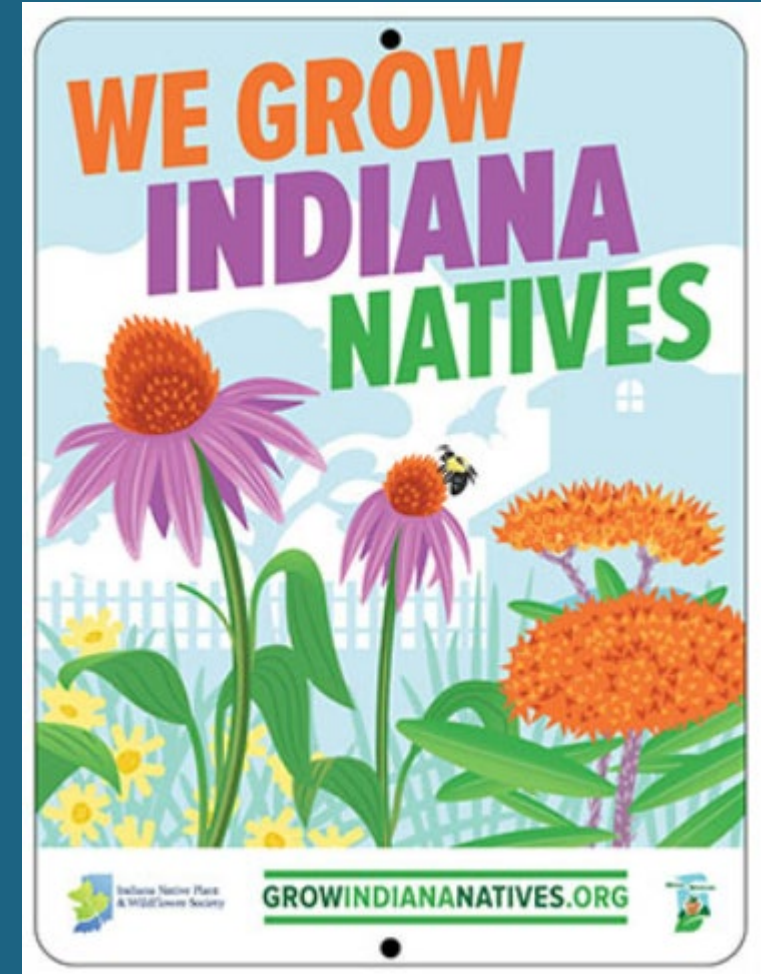
Grow Indiana Natives

86% of invasive woody species come from landscape plantings.

Bottom up— educate the public, eliminate the market for invasive species in retail by encouraging native sales. Encourage retailers to not sell invasives.

Statewide programs for

- Native Plant Sellers
- Landscape Designers
- Native Gardens



www.GrowIndianaNatives.org



Grow Indiana Native Retailers

- Retailers who sell native plants can sign up at “basic” level—they sell natives but may also sell invasives.
- “Invasive Free” retailers sell native plants AND do not sell invasives or agree to stop selling invasives.
 - Indiana Invasive Plant List
- Applications, including plant list, are reviewed by a committee.
 - Approval
 - Issues with plant list – retailer is notified and encouraged to stop selling any invasives
- Retailers get a window cling, and they can use the Grow Native logo.
- Invasive Free members are part of the Buy Natives Directory and promoted through INPS channels.
- There is no fee currently to sign up as a retailer.



Where to Buy Native Plants

Through our **Grow Indiana Natives** program, Indiana Native Plant Society helps you choose native plants instead of invasive plants for your landscape. The program rewards businesses who sell native plants and highlights businesses who also agree *not* to sell invasive plants. The latter are listed in the interactive Buy Natives Directory below. Find program details [here](#) and look for these logos where you shop.



Increasing the Supply of Native Plants

One powerful way to increase the supply of native plants in the nursery trade is to ask your retailer to stock them.

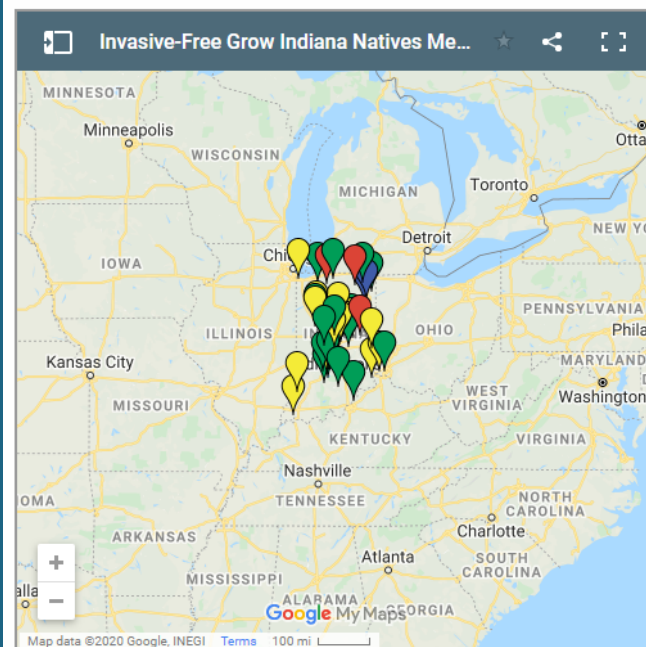
Show the manager our brochure [Landscaping with Plants Native to Indiana](#) and tell the manager about the [Grow Indiana Natives](#) incentive program. If retailers become aware that customers are looking for native plants, they are more likely to stock them.

Buy Natives Directory

Invasive-Free "Grow Indiana Natives" Members

The best selection of native plants in Indiana can be found at our "Invasive-Free" Grow Indiana Natives member businesses. These are nurseries and garden centers that offer Indiana native plants for sale and refuse to sell listed Indiana invasive plants because of the damage they cause. Gardeners looking for help in designing a native plant landscape can find it with our Grow Indiana Natives certified designers.

Find the closest Invasive-Free plant sellers and designers on the interactive map below. Click on the markers nearest you and refer to the alphabetical list below for details. Plant seller names are shown in green banners, with notes on which sellers are wholesale, and which have limited sale dates (e.g., sell only a few days a year). Certified designers are shown in blue banners.



Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District (LIMITED SALE DATES)



1717 East Pleasant Street
Noblesville, IN 46060

[Visit Website](#)

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The Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District holds a spring native plant kit sale (orders due April 16th 2018) and a fall native tree sale (orders due September). All proceeds go back to conservation and education projects. Free conservation planning assistance and small grants are available for Hamilton County residents. Learn more and order online at www.hamiltonswcd.org. The SWCD provides technical and outreach assistance to urban and agricultural property owners and provides our community with conservation leadership and quality service dedicated to improving and sustaining our natural resources.

Heartland Natives, LLC



42 Center Street
Avoca, IN 47420

[Send Email](#)

I grow native perennials, trees and shrubs in various sizes. I do not use neonicotinoids or insecticides. Please call ahead for visits.

Heartland Restoration Services, Inc. (WHOLESALE)



14921 Hand Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46818

[Visit Website](#)

100% native plant material. Wholesale nursery; product includes prairie, woodland, wetland plants, native grasses, trees & shrubs; suppliers of local genotype seed and custom grown plants; offers range of environmental consulting services including installation and management of native landscapes including prescribed burns and limited herbicide applications /exotic species control of those ecosystems, erosion/sedimentation control, soil bioengineering, wetland mitigation, native 191/191 mitigation, native material

Seasonal sales

Retail

Wholesale

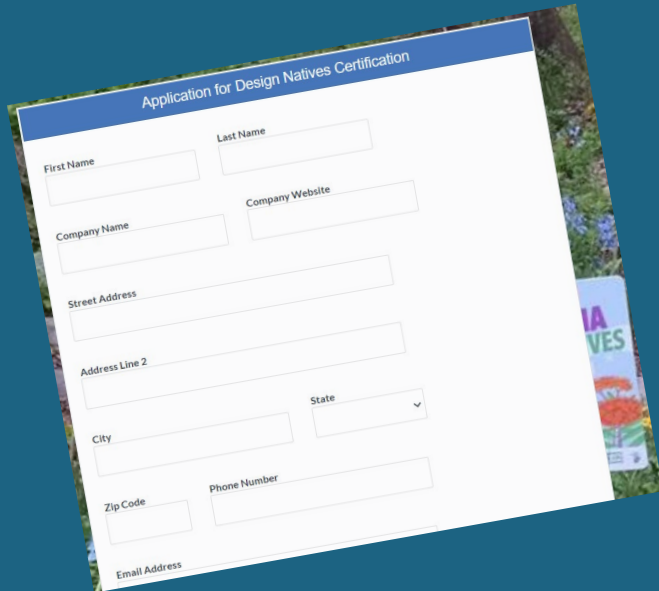
<https://indiananativeplants.org/landscaping/where-to-buy/>



Grow Indiana Natives- Designers

It can be hard to find landscape designers who are knowledgeable about native plants and use them in their designs.

- Designers who use native plants and do not use invasives can apply for Design Natives.
- These designers can use non-invasive non-native plants (ex. littleleaf linden).
- There is a fee for designers based on # of employees—starting at \$100.



The image shows a tilted photograph of a printed application form titled "Application for Design Natives Certification". The form contains several input fields for personal and business information, including First Name, Last Name, Company Name, Company Website, Street Address, Address Line 2, City, State (a dropdown menu), Zip Code, Phone Number, and Email Address. The form is set against a background of green foliage.

Favor Native – Designer



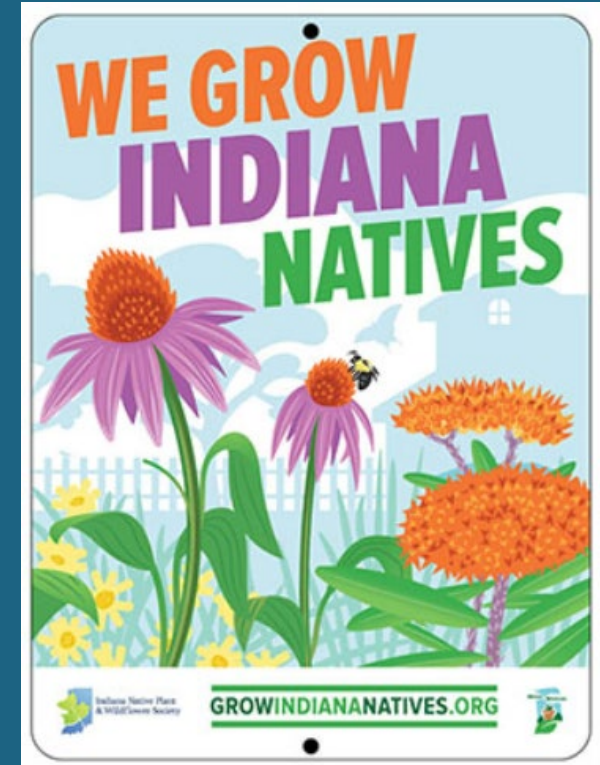
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Favor Native is a garden coaching and design company specializing in native and native-friendly plants. We excel at building beautiful designs compliant with residential and HOA regulations, breaking down misguided notions that native plants are too “wild” for modern residential areas. Services offered include: Coaching Sessions: Our designer will visit your property and provide coaching on integrating more native and native-friendly plants into your landscape, optimizing what you already have in place, consult on new beds, and enhance your home’s curb appeal. Tailored Designs: You will receive a custom, precise mapped-to-scale design for your garden. Whether you are installing a small garden or designing your entire property, we will gather your ideas and craft a custom design with plants that look great together, thrive in your specific conditions, and bring about positive ecological changes. The benefits of your integrated Favor Native custom garden reach beyond the borders of your yard to enrich the local ecology in supporting butterflies, birds, and helpful pollinators. Let Favor Native help make your garden more beautiful and beneficial!



Grow Indiana Natives – Garden Certification

- Certify your garden at home, school, church, HOA, etc.
- It is permissible to have invasive and non-native plants in your garden, but you must be actively working to eradicate the invasives.
- Online application
 - Contact info
 - List of the native plants you are growing
 - Photos of your native plant garden
- Approved gardens are eligible to purchase a 9x12 inch metal sign to be displayed near native plants for \$25.



<https://indiananativeplants.org/landscaping/certify-your-native-garden/>



What can CISMAS do?

- Promote the garden certification
 - Certify your gardens, encourage others to do the same, publicize the program
- Retailers
 - Develop relationships with local retailers to educate them on the program and help them sign up or work toward qualification
 - Promote local Grow Native retailers
 - Encourage shopping at retailers
 - Encourage shopping to ask for natives, say they came to shop there because of Grow Native
- Designers
 - Promote local designers who are Grow Native listed
 - Help local qualifying designers get listed





Hamilton County Invasives Partnership

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The Hamilton County Invasives Partnership is a coalition whose mission is to mobilize land stewards to manage and eliminate invasive species in Hamilton County. We will do this through education and encouraging action.

