

**Self-Guided Tour
Saturday May 17, 2008
10am to 2pm**

VISIT MARIN'S ECO-FRIENDLY GARDENS...



Join this self-paced tour featuring 10 of Marin's wonderful gardens and see "eco-friendly" methods in action! At each garden, a certified landscape professional will be available to answer questions and discuss that garden's unique features.



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Participants receive...

a Garden Guide that describes highlights of each garden and offers directions, a garden admission pass, and a choice of eco-friendly publications at each garden. Visit as many sites as you like in the 4-hour period.

Bonus – Entry to native plant sale and tour of Marin Art and Garden Center on Sunday May 18. Details in Garden Guide.

- Fire resistant plants (and talk with FireSafe Marin!)
- Wildlife habitat that attracts birds & butterflies
- Deer "resistant" gardens
- Creekbank stabilization & restoration with natives
- Erosion control measures
- Working bee hive
- Colorful native plants labelled for identification
- Use of native grasses
- Rain chains as alternatives to downspouts
- Smart Controllers
- Straw mulch to restructure clay soil
- Permeable paths from flagstone and decomposed granite
- Outdoor grill in a recycled glass countertop
- Cascading water fountain
- Lawns and gardens maintained without pesticides

Registration: Pre-registration is required! Through May 4th, register through the College of Marin: www.marincommunityed.org (look under registration information) or call them at 485-9305 for a registration form. The Garden Tour is Course #8224. Beginning May 5th, register through the Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program by calling Gina at 499-3202. **Cost: \$15 per adult**

Participating Landscapers: Art Gardens Landscape Co., Blume & Dean Landscape Design, CA Native Landscapes, EcoLogic Landscaping, Edger Landscape Design, EcoScapes, Equinox Landscape, PlannedLand, Reilly Designs Inc., Roger Waters Environments, Inc. and Simmonds & Associates.

Gardens include those in Sausalito, Tiburon, Mill Valley, San Anselmo, Fairfax, San Rafael and Novato.



Coordinated by the Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (MCSTOPPP) in cooperation with the College of Marin and the Marin Art & Garden Center. For more information, and/or if you require accommodations to participate in this activity, call Gina at 499-3202 at least 72 hours in advance. Copies of documents are available in accessible formats upon written request.