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Name:

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To register for any of the classes complete and return this form along with your payment to:

Gloucester Co. Certified Gardeners  
Office of Land Preservation  
254 County House Rd.  
Clarksboro, NJ 08020

Checks should be made payable to  
GCCG

Classes are \$15 each  
Register for 5 or more, \$10 each

To pay by card, call our office:  
856-224-8045

Preregistration is required!

Gloucester  
County Home  
Gardening  
School



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2026 Home Gardening School

Gloucester County Home Gardening School is designed for individuals who would like to learn more about specific areas of horticulture. Anyone interested in gardening is invited to attend as many sessions as they choose. No previous education or training is necessary.

The classes are taught by leaders in the horticultural industry and land grant university faculty and staff.

Class Information

Classes are held in the Shady Lane Complex  
254 County House Road, Clarksboro, NJ 08020

Time: Wednesdays from 9 am to noon

Preregistration is required

Cost: \$15.00 per session. Register for 5 or more, cost will be \$10.00 per session. To register by mail, complete the registration form and mail with your check to GCCG, 254 County House Road, Clarksboro, NJ., 08020. Make check payable to GCCG.

To register by phone and pay with card, please call the Land Preservation office at 856-224-8045.



The County of Gloucester complies with all state and federal rules and regulations against discrimination in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, and activities. In addition, County encourages participation of people with disabilities in its programs and activities and offers special services to all residents 60 years of age and older. Inquiries regarding compliance may be directed to the County's ADA Coordinator at (856) 384-6842/ New Jersey Relay Service 711.

**January 14, 2026: Plant Propagation** Learn the various methods of propagating plants, including cuttings and grafting.



**January 21, 2026: Bugs, Bugs Bugs!** An overview of insects and related arthropods. Learn to identify structural pests and management strategies to control them.



**January 28, 2026: Caring For Your Lawn** All aspects of lawn care will be discussed including selection of grasses, pests and diseases, and control methods.

**February 4, 2026: Pesticides– Use & Safety** Commonly used pesticides, their modes of actions and formulations will be discussed, and participants will learn how to read a pesticide label.



**February 11, 2026: Integrated Pest Management** Learn the definition and philosophy of IPM and how it is practiced.



**February 18, 2026: Houseplants** Bring the garden inside. Learn how to choose and care for the perfect plant for inside your home.



**February 25, 2026: Insects & Mites of Ornamentals** Common insect & mite pests of landscape trees & shrubs, and methods of identifying and controlling them will be discussed.

**March 4, 2026: What's Bugging My House?** Common insects that infest households, their lifecycles and integrated control strategies will be covered.



**March 11, 2026: Weeds, Weeds, Weeds!** Participants will learn to identify and control common weeds, and get some tips from the experts on how to diagnose the most common problems in the home landscape.

**March 18, 2026: Soils and Composting**

An overview of soil including soil types, nutrients, pH, topography. Discussion will also take place on the basics of composting and how to improve soil for better plant growth.



**March 25, 2026: It's a Jungle Out There, LIFE & DEATH in the Wildlife Garden** Be prepared for an eye-opening view into the natural world, occurrences that happen every day out in the wild but are rarely seen, unless you've created a wildlife garden so welcoming that wildlife feels quite at home!



**April 1, 2026: What's wrong with My Plant?** An overview of how plants function and various infectious and non-infectious causes of plant disease.

**April 15, 2026 Bees & Pollinators–** Learn the life cycles and behaviors of these important insects.

**April 22, 2026 Growing Annuals and Perennials:** Annual and perennial plants will be discussed along with their ornamental qualities, basic cultural requirements and common pests and diseases.

**April 29, 2026: Home Vegetable Gardening** In this class, you will learn the principles of successful vegetable and herb gardening.

**May 6, 2026: Landscape Designs**  
**Landscape design primer:** Everything you need to know about designing with the right plants in the right places for the right reasons.  
**Artsy Stuff in the Garden:** From watering cans through containers to stained glass, crafts, stone, metal, and truck tires with supplies from the basement to the attic this presentation will excite you with the possibilities waiting to happen for your next season out in the back forty!

**May 13, 2026: Native Plants** Discussion on the benefits of using native plants in the landscape followed by a presentation on native plant materials.

**May 20, 2026: Growing Fruit in the Home Garden** Learn how to successfully produce fruit from your own garden. Insects and diseases of fruit will also be discussed.



**May 27, 2026: Pruning:** This class location is TBA. Proper pruning techniques will be discussed and demonstrated along with the reasons for pruning and proper timing. This class will include hands-on pruning of trees and shrubs. Bring your favorite pruners!

