

“Our landscapes should reflect the beauty and sensitivity of where we live and why...”

Other Resources

- Colorado Native Plant Society
www.conps.org
- City of Boulder
Open Space and Mountain Parks
www.ci.boulder.co.us/openspace/nature/gardens/gardens.htm

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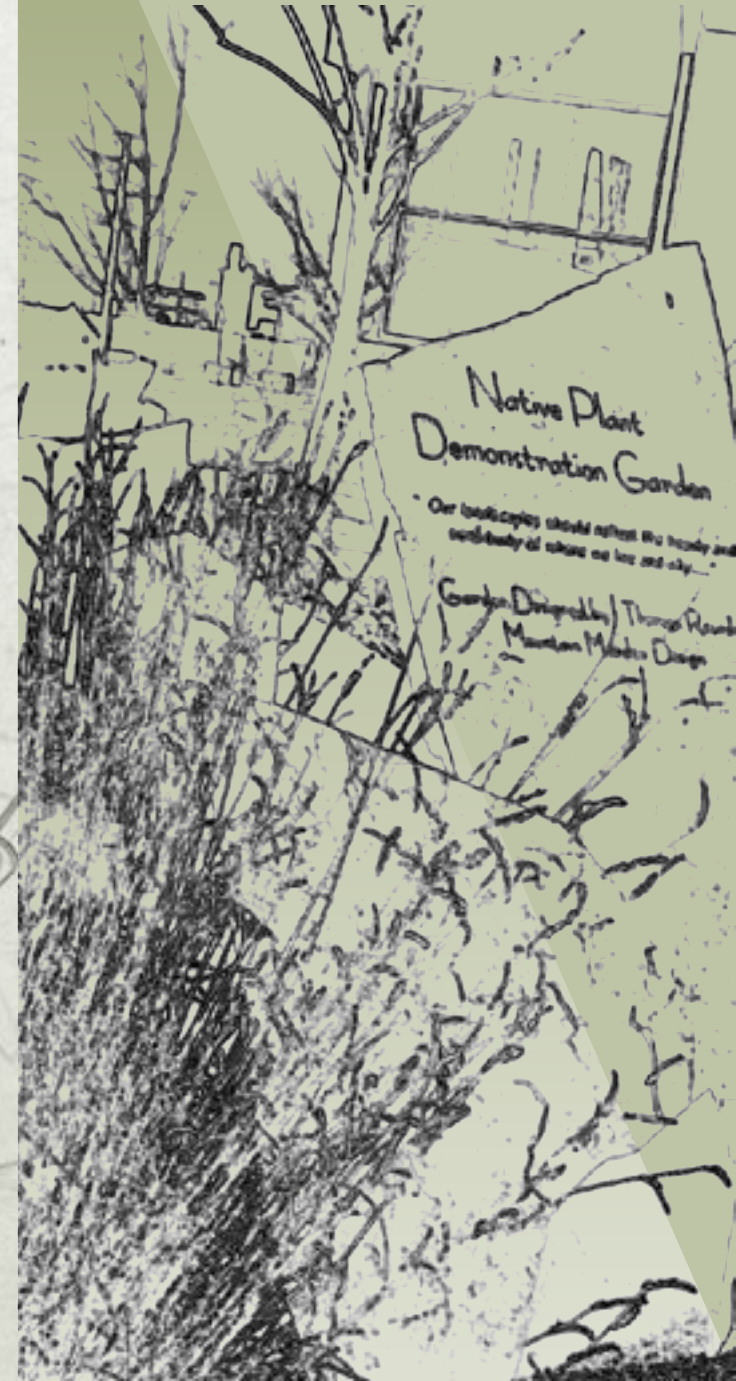


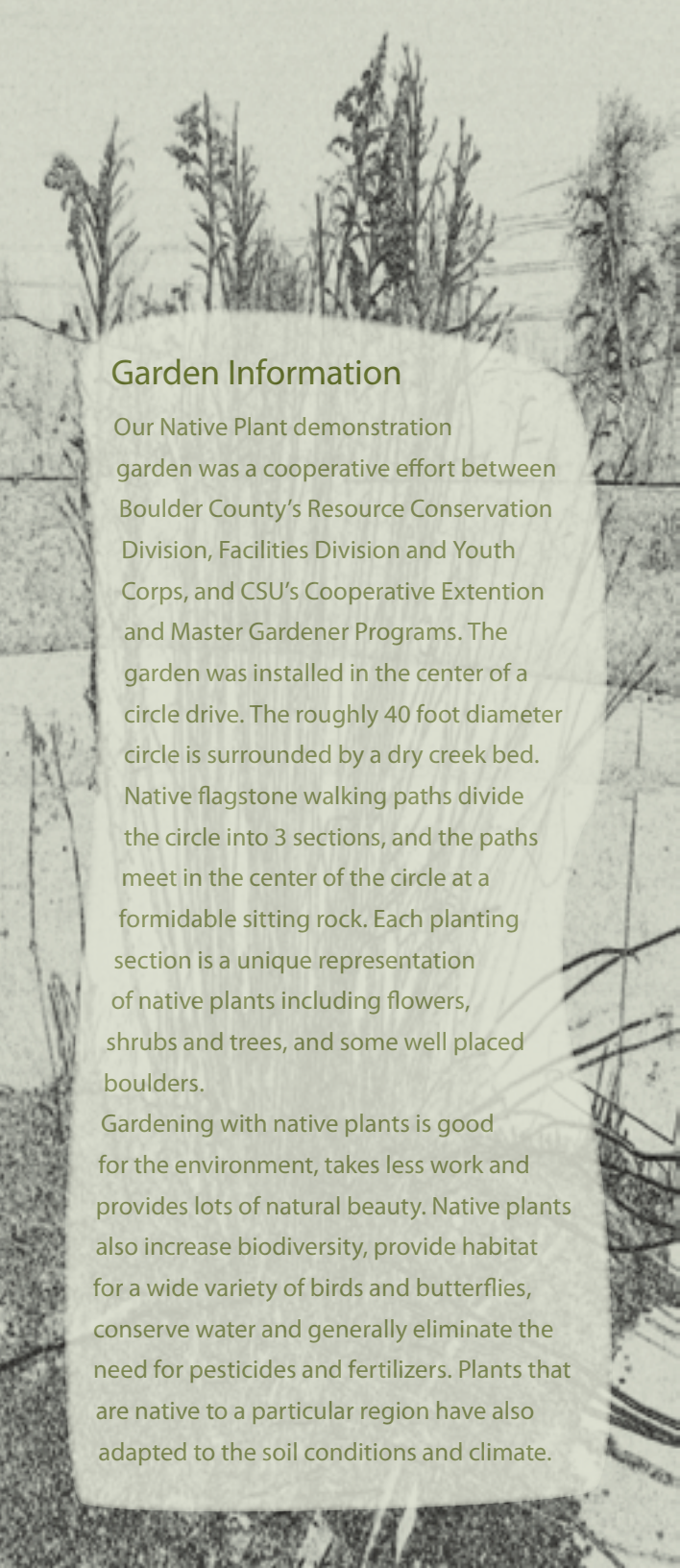
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BOULDER COUNTY'S

NATIVE PLANT

DEMONSTRATION GARDEN





Garden Information

Our Native Plant demonstration garden was a cooperative effort between Boulder County's Resource Conservation Division, Facilities Division and Youth Corps, and CSU's Cooperative Extension and Master Gardener Programs. The garden was installed in the center of a circle drive. The roughly 40 foot diameter circle is surrounded by a dry creek bed. Native flagstone walking paths divide the circle into 3 sections, and the paths meet in the center of the circle at a formidable sitting rock. Each planting section is a unique representation of native plants including flowers, shrubs and trees, and some well placed boulders.

Gardening with native plants is good for the environment, takes less work and provides lots of natural beauty. Native plants also increase biodiversity, provide habitat for a wide variety of birds and butterflies, conserve water and generally eliminate the need for pesticides and fertilizers. Plants that are native to a particular region have also adapted to the soil conditions and climate.

LOCAL NATIVE PLANTS USED IN BOULDER COUNTY RECYCLING CENTER'S DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

COMMON NAME	BOTANICAL NAME	SEASON IN BLOOM
WEST SECTION		
Nodding Onion	Allium cernuum	Summer
Canada Goldenrod	Solidago Canadensis	Summer-fall
Fringed Sage	Artemisia frigida	Late Summer
Indian Grass	Sorghastrum nutans	Summer
Kentucky Coffee Tree	Gymnocladus dioica	Spring
Firecracker Penstemon	Penstemon Eatonii	Early Summer
Prairie Flax	Linum lewisii	Spring - Mid Summer
Rocky Mountain Penstemon	Penstemon strictus	Early - Mid Summer
Regent Western Serviceberry	Amelanchier alnifolia 'Regent'	Spring
EAST SECTION		
Bluebell Bellflower	Campanula rotundifolia	Late Spring - Mid Summer
Native Blanket Flower	Gaillardia aristata	Mid Summer
Scarlet Globemallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea	Spring - Summer
Indian Ricegrass	Achnatherum hymenoides (Oryzopsis)	Mid Summer
Kentucky Coffee Tree	Gymnocladus dioica	Spring
Creeping Colorado Holly	Mahonia repens	Late Spring - Early Summer
Creeping Western Sand Cherry	Prunus Besseyi 'Pawnee Buttes'	Spring
Prairie Zinnia	Zinnia grandiflora	Mid - Late Summer
Silvery Lupine	Lupinus argenteus	June - September
SOUTH SECTION		
Aspen Fleabane	Erigeron speciosus	Early - Mid Summer
Blue Mist Penstemon	Penstemon virens	May - August
Golden Currant	Ribes aureum	Spring
Kentucky Coffee Tree	Gymnocladus dioica	Spring
Little Bluestem Grass	Schizachyrium scoparium (Andropogon)	Fall
Prairie Junegrass	Koeleria macrantha	Fall
Pineleaf Penstemon	Penstemon pinifolius	May - July
Small Leaf Pussy Toes	Antennaria parvifolia	Late Spring - Mid Summer
Sticky Geranium	Geranium viscosissimum	Summer - Fall