ADVICE TO GROW BY ... ASK US!

UC Master Gardener Program



University of **California** Agriculture and Natural Resources



Our Mission:

To extend research-based knowledge and information on home horticulture, pest management, and sustainable landscape practices to the residents of California.



Gardening Advice You Can Trust

The UC Master Gardener Program is a key partner and a cornerstone program of UC Cooperative Extension. As the link between University of California research and home gardeners, the UC Master Gardener Program is crucial in providing practical, science-based information and best practices for gardening activities.

Making a Difference

UC Master Gardener volunteers are UC-trained gardeners who work to promote healthier environments, plants, and communities. In exchange for their training, volunteers educate their communities about water conservation, protecting wildlife, green waste reduction, energy conservation, and so much more.

Volunteers empower communities to grow food; increase science literacy in hands-on workshops; and encourage participants to spend more time outdoors, learn new skills, meet new people, and celebrate diversity. The UC Master Gardener Program can give *anyone* the skills and knowledge to make a difference in their everyday gardening practices.



Growing Community with Your Support

Thirty-five years, 50 counties, 6,200+ volunteers, and nearly 5 million volunteer hours—but we can't do it without your help.

From our volunteers, advisors, and staff, to our partners and donors, each and every person along the way helps us provide free or low-cost education and advice that empowers gardeners and homeowners to adopt more sustainable gardening practices and preserve our natural environment.

Donate Today

The UC Master Gardener Program could not thrive without the generous support of partners like you. Your charitable contributions to the annual and endowment funds directly support the positive impact of the UC Master Gardener Program in communities across California.

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Get Involved

Interested in becoming a UC Master Gardener volunteer? Applicants who love learning, plants, and people and are willing to share their knowledge and skills are considered regardless of gardening experience.

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Where Can I Find You?

UC Master Gardener volunteers staff booths at county fairs and farmers markets, conduct plant clinics at libraries and community centers, appear on television, and host local radio programs. Each year, we answer tens of thousands of calls and e-mails about plants and pests through our help lines and websites. We conduct workshops on environmentally friendly gardening practices, home food production, water conservation, composting, pollinators, and more.

UC Master Gardener volunteers provide educational support to community and school gardens and create and maintain demonstration gardens that are used to share timely, researchbased information on plant science, pest management, and wise water use.

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"UC Master Gardeners of Marin County have saved residents tens of millions of gallons of water and completed more than 1,300 Garden Walks since the program's inception. Trained by MMWD conservationists and UC staff, UC Master Gardeners test for water leaks, suggest irrigation improvements where possible, and help with water-wise plant selection and sustainable landscaping practices."

-Steven Swain, Environmental Horticulture Advisor

"I am constantly amazed by the enthusiasm, energy, creativity and knowledge of UC Master Gardener volunteers. What an incredible service they provide for the university and the California public!"

—Mary Louise Flint, Extension Entomologist Emeritus, Entomology



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