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Adkins Arboretum to Hold Fall Native Plant Sale Weekend

Enjoy fall in the garden! Adkins Arboretum will hold its annual Fall Native Plant Sale Sat. and Sun., Sept. 14 and Sept. 15 at the Arboretum in Ridgely, Md. The sale benefits the Arboretum's education programs and affords the public an opportunity to learn about the Chesapeake Bay region's native flora and its role in land stewardship practices. The sale will be held at the Arboretum's Native Plant Nursery.

Take advantage of autumn's cool, moist weather to add color and wildlife habitat to your landscape. Many native plants produce seeds, flowers and fruits in fall that attract migratory birds and butterflies. Plants such as asters and goldenrod extend the garden into fall by adding bright pops of color and structural interest to the landscape.

The sale will also feature native trees such as river birch, white oak, and sweetbay magnolia. Adkins Arboretum's 2013 Native Tree of the Year, sweetbay magnolia is from a family with an ancient history going back over 100 million years—back to the time with the Arctic Circle was filled with trees and before bees evolved to pollinate flowering plants. The Arboretum's Native Plant Nursery is a participating nursery in the Marylanders Plant Trees program, offering a \$25 coupon toward purchase of native trees that retail for \$50 or more.



In addition to the region's largest selection of ornamental native trees, shrubs, perennials, ferns and grasses for fall planting, items for sale will include nature-themed gift items and used and new gardening and horticultural books. Arboretum staff and volunteers will be on hand to answer gardening questions, and a guided nursery walk will be held Saturday, September 14 at 1 p.m.

A members-only plant sale will be held Fri., Sept. 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Public sale days are Sat., Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sun., Sept. 15 from noon to 4 p.m. Members, including those who join on any sale day, receive 10% off plant and gift shop purchases, and members at the Contributor (\$100) level and above receive a 20% discount on plants. Shoppers will enter the Arboretum from Eveland Road via the Nursery Entrance and follow directional signage to the Native Plant Nursery.

For more information, call 410-634-2847, extension 0 or visit www.adkinsarboretum.org.

Cutline: Fall is the best season for planting. Adkins Arboretum's Fall Native Plant Sale weekend, Sept. 14–15, will feature the region's largest selection of ornamental native perennials, grasses, trees, shrubs, ferns and vines for sale at the Arboretum's Native Plant Nursery.

Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. Through its [Campaign to Build a Green Legacy](#), it will build the [W. Flaccus and Ruth B. Stifel Center at Adkins Arboretum](#) and a "green" entranceway to broaden educational offerings and research initiatives promoting best practices in conservation and land stewardship. For additional information about Arboretum programs, visit www.adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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