



## Gardening For Wildlife Program

### Understanding Your Outdoor Space and Thoughts on Gardening



#### YOUR GOALS

What's the Goal for your outdoor space and what are you seeking to achieve? *Check off the three biggest benefits related to your gardening for wildlife.*

- ☐ It provides food, water, shelter for animals
- ☐ It gives me time outdoors
- ☐ It provides me with a way to talk about gardening for wildlife with others
- ☐ It makes my property beautiful
- ☐ It reduces the amount of yard maintenance I have to do
- ☐ It reduces the amount of herbicides/pesticides being used
- ☐ It helps reduce stress



#### YOUR SPACE

How would you describe your outdoor planting space? *This is not necessarily the size of your entire yard. This represents the total square footage you could dedicate toward planting.*

- ☐ Zero sq. ft. (Container Planting Only)
- ☐ Up to 45 sq. ft. (approximately the size of a King Size bed)
- ☐ Up to 400 sq. ft. (approximately size of 2 parking spaces)
- ☐ Up to 1,000 sq. ft (approximately the size of 5 parking spaces)
- ☐ Up to 5,000 sq. ft (approximately the size of a basketball court)
- ☐ More than 5,000 sq. ft

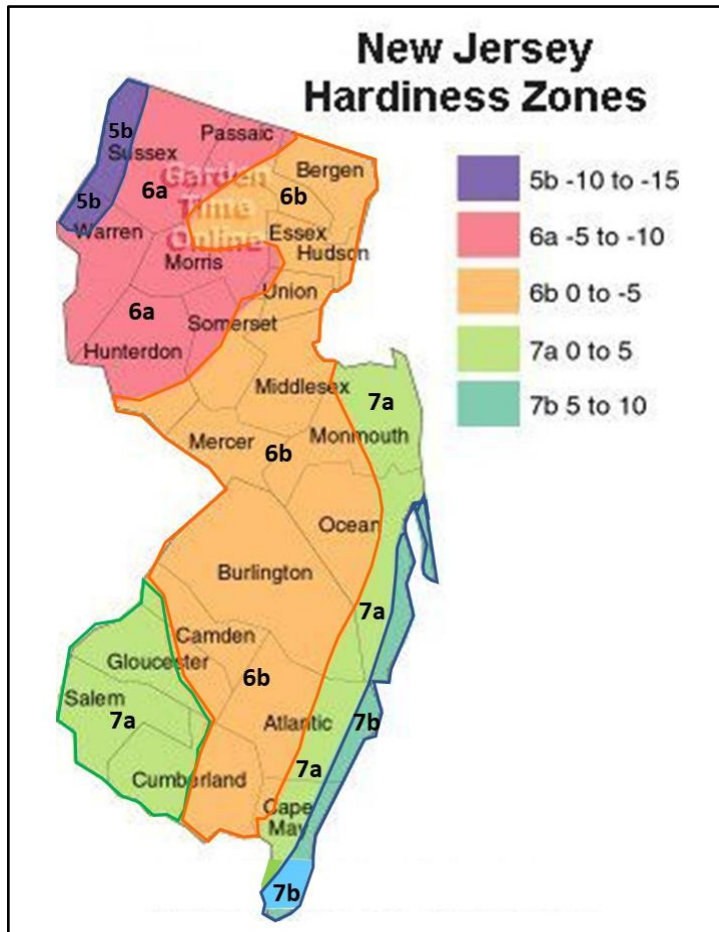
Do you have a community space that could be used for wildlife gardening?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure, I'll have to ask



## HARDINESS ZONE

Using this map, which hardiness zone does your planting space fall within?



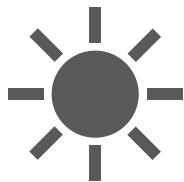
- ☐ 5b
- ☐ 6a
- ☐ 6b
- ☐ 7a
- ☐ 7b



## SOIL TYPE

Which of the descriptions below most accurately describes your soil? *You may have more than one.*

- ☐ Well-drained (dry most of the time)
- ☐ Medium-drained (periodically wet or moist)
- ☐ Wet (wet most of the time)
- ☐ I'm not sure



## LIGHTING

How much sun does your space get? If there are areas that get differing amounts of light you can divide your yard into as many sections as you need.

Section Name (*ex. Front of the house*): \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Less than 3 hours (Shade or filtered light only)
- ☐ 3-6 hours (Partial Shade)
- ☐ 6+ hours (Full Sun)

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## HABITAT FOR WILDLIFE

When you look around at your outdoor space, what resources do you have that would be useful to wildlife? These resources can be either natural (ex. maple tree) or supplemental (ex. suet feeder).

| <i><b>Food</b></i>  | <i><b>Water</b></i>                 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                     |                                     |
| <i><b>Cover</b></i> | <i><b>Places to Raise Young</b></i> |
|                     |                                     |