



Travis County Master Gardeners

Master Gardeners are representatives of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. We are members of the local community who are willing to learn and help others and are able to communicate with diverse groups of people. What really sets Master Gardeners apart from other home gardeners is their special training in horticulture.

Our mission is to be an educational, nonprofit, volunteer and service corporation which renders non-biased, sound horticultural information to the community. More than a garden club, we are a service organization of trained volunteers. In all volunteer work related to the program, Master Gardeners follow the research-based recommendation of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Is the Master Gardener Program for me? To help you decide if you should apply to be a Master Gardener, ask yourself these questions:

- Do I want to learn more about the culture and maintenance of many types of plants?
- Am I eager to participate in a practical and intense training program?
- Do I look forward to sharing my knowledge with people in my community?
- Do I have enough time to attend training and to complete the volunteer service?

If you answered yes to these questions, the Master Gardener program could be for you.

If accepted into the Master Gardener program, you will attend a Master Gardener training course and pay the tuition. Classes are taught by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension specialists, staff, and local experts. The program offers a **minimum of 50 hours of instruction** that covers topics including lawn care; ornamental trees and shrubs; turf; insects; soils and plant nutrition; vegetable gardening; home fruit production, etc. In exchange for training, participants are obligated to volunteer time to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Travis County. **At least 50 hours of volunteer service** within one year following the training is required to earn the title of "Master Gardener".

For information visit the website: bit.ly/TCMGtraining

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