



FYN Topic: Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Classes

Question: What plants tolerate the wet summer and the dry winter? Un-named -North Fort Myers.

Answer: The Florida state legislature in 2009 directed all Floridians to use plants tolerating wet summers and the dry winters to wisely conserve our water resources. They even gave a name to the right plants, 'Florida-Friendly Landscaping™' (FFL) selections.

Our FFL list has hundreds of trees, shrubs, groundcovers, grasses, vines, palms and even annuals you can choose from. Go to <http://solutionsforyourlife.com/fyn> or the plant database at <http://floridayards.org/fyplants/index.php>.

Upcoming Florida Yards and Neighborhood classes teaching how to use the Right pPants and Practices include: Introduction to the Nine Principles of Florida-Friendly Landscaping™, Adopting a Florida-Friendly Yard, Rain Gardens, How to Attract Wildlife, Protecting the Waterfront and Using the Right Fertilizer. Classes are held at Eco Living Center at Rutenberg Park, and/or Terry Park. For class information, call Lee County Extension Office, 239-533-7504 between 9 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. Or click on these websites.

Useful Links

<http://www.floridayards.org>
<http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu>
<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/>
<http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/FYN/FYNHome.shtml>
<http://gardeningsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu>

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