

Nature Manitoba

Naturescape Resource List

Here are some resources to help you get started, including local sources of native plants and seeds, as well as useful websites, organizations, books and other contacts.

- **prairieflora.com** Manitoba native plant nursery in Teulon, Great selection of potted native prairie plants and heirloom vegetables grown from local seed; native landscape design services and information.
- **prairieoriginals.com** Manitoba native plant and seed nursery in East Selkirk with an extensive catalog of native Manitoba species. Spring/summer plant sales at St. Norbert Farmers Market and at some Winnipeg garden centres; native landscape information, planting advice and wildflower books.
- **psbotanicals.com** Manitoba's newest native plant nursery near Gardenton in the Tall Grass Prairie Preserve area. Botanist Laura Reeves also offers workshops and natural area inventories.
- **skinnernativeseeds.net** Native prairie grass and wildflower seeds from western Manitoba, Saskatchewan and midwestern USA.
- ***Restoring Canada's Native Prairies - A Practical Manual*** A locally published book on restoring native grasslands. Available in PDF format for free download at **naturenorth.com/RCNP/RCNP.pdf**; hard copies are also available in all public libraries in Manitoba and on Amazon.ca.
- **winnipeg.ca/publicworks/parksopenspace/livingprairie** Winnipeg's **Living Prairie Museum** offers prairie education, events and classroom tours; as well as courses every spring on native plant landscaping, native seed propagation, Manitoba butterflies and prairie management by John Morgan. The Living Prairie Museum Bookstore carries *Naturescape Manitoba* and many other excellent books on native plants (2795 Ness Ave.; phone 204-832-0167).
- **Natural Meadow Landscapes** Bryan Millar provides complete site preparation and revegetation to native prairie / meadow for large and small projects at residential and commercial properties. Call 204-470-5669.
- **dnr.state.mn.us/prairierestoration/index.html** *Prairie Restoration for Minnesota Landowners* From our neighbours to the south, an excellent tall grass prairie restoration guide for landowners and very applicable in Manitoba.
- **tallgrassontario.org** Great information and resources from Ontario on tall grass prairie restoration, landscaping, urban design and management.
- **npss.sk.ca** Native Plant Society of Saskatchewan website, a wonderful resource for native prairie management and restoration.
- **cwf-fcf.org/en/explore/gardening-for-wildlife/** Canadian Wildlife Federation's *Gardening for Wildlife* program encourages Canadians to transform home, school and community gardens into wildlife-friendly habitat. Website contains a wealth of information and resources on how to garden with wildlife in mind, for those just getting started to more advanced tips. Includes a certification program for "wildlife-friendly habitats".
- **regrow.wwf.ca** Similar to the CWF program above, World Wildlife Fund Canada's "Re:grow" program aims to mobilize people across the country to help restore wildlife habitat by planting native species in their own yards, container gardens and community spaces. A how-to site with expert tips and guidance.

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- **minnesotawildflowers.info** An excellent on-line field guide to native wildflowers of Minnesota, many of which also occur in Manitoba and NW Ontario.
- **wildones.org** An international group that encourages and supports landscaping with local native species.
- **plants.usda.gov** USDA Plants Database provides fabulous information, range maps and photos on nearly all the vascular plants and lichens of Canada and the US.
- ***Naturescape Manitoba*** THE book for anyone considering planting native Manitoba prairie, wetland and forest species; shows you how to transform your garden, yard, cottage property or community space into local native plant habitat for both wildlife and people. Available from Nature Manitoba, Living Prairie Museum, public libraries and bookstores.
- ***Wildflowers Across the Prairies*** (F.R. Vance et al.; Greystone Books) Best Canadian prairie plant field guide for wildflowers and grasses; out of print but available from libraries and on-line used book sources.
- ***Plants of the Western Boreal Forest & Aspen Parkland*** (D. Johnson et al., Lone Pine Publishing) Excellent field guide for the northern prairies, aspen parkland & boreal forest regions of western Canada
- ***Manitoba's Tall Grass Prairie*** (T. Reaume, Manitoba Naturalists Society) Excellent B&W drawings of most of our Tall Grass Prairie plants; out of print but available from libraries and on-line used book sources
- ***Prairie Grasses*** (J. Looman, Agriculture Canada) The standard reference book for western Canadian grasses, both native and non-native; excellent black& white line drawings, with habitat and distribution information. Available from libraries and on-line used book sources; a digitized version is available from the Native Plant Society of Saskatchewan at the following link:
www.npss.sk.ca/rsu_docs/documents/prairie-grasses-identified-and-described-by-vegetative-characters.pdf

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