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# Why should I become a master gardener?



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## It's a great opportunity to give to your community.



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## You can teach others about responsible gardening practices.



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## You can earn recognition.



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## You'll connect with people who share similar interests.



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## You'll make new friends!



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# Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

## You'll have fun!

## GUARANTEED!



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# What do master gardeners do?



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Master gardeners are trained volunteers who help the general public with gardening questions.



# What do master gardeners do?

**Activities include:**

**Helping to  
prepare and staff  
annual plant sales**

**Speaking to civic  
and professional  
groups**

**Staffing the help  
desk**

**Planning and  
helping with the  
home gardening  
series**

**Plant clinics**



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# Do I have to be a gardening expert to become a master gardener?

**No.**

**To become a master gardener, you will**

- complete 60 hours of classroom training,**
- take an exam, and**
- complete a 50-hour internship.**



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# Do I have to be a gardening expert to become a master gardener?



Once you complete the training and internship, you will be required to

- complete 8 hours of advanced education and
- volunteer 20 hours each year.



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Do I have to be a gardening expert to become a master gardener?

Most importantly, you'll learn about a variety of resources and how to use them.

Even if you don't know the answer to a gardener's question, you'll know how to research it.



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# What topics are covered in the training?



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# What topics are covered in the training?

Lawn  
care



Landscaping with  
shrubs and flowers



Fruit trees  
and berries



Soil management



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# What topics are covered in the training?



**Vegetable  
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**Growing plants  
from seeds**



**Plant  
pests**



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# What topics are covered in the training?

**Water  
management**



**Native  
plants**



**Composting**



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# How do I sign up?



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Complete the application (available at <https://hanover.ext.vt.edu/>) and mail it to the Hanover County Extension Office (13015 Taylor Complex Lane, Ashland, VA 23005).



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# How do I sign up?

**2020 Hanover Master Gardening Training Course applications are now being accepted. The form must be printed and bear an original signature to be valid.**

**The deadline to apply is 11/1/19. Interviews will be conducted from the time of the application until 11/8/19.**

**Acceptance letters will be mailed 11/8/2020 and payment is required by 11/22/2020.**



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# How do I sign up?

Classes begin January 7, 2020 and run through March 19, 2020 on Tuesday and Thursday from 1 pm to 4 pm.

Classes will be held at Woodside Farm, 10447 Cedar Lane, Glen Allen, VA 23059.



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## How do I sign up?

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity,

please contact the Extension Office during business hours or note it on your application.



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# How do I sign up?

The fee for the traditional master gardener training (which includes 50 hours of volunteer service before MG status is obtained and 20 hours of volunteer service annually thereafter) is \$175.00

Payment is due after you have been accepted to the program.



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# How do I sign up?

If you're interested in taking the training to increase your horticulture skills and knowledge but do not intend to volunteer, the cost is \$275.

Payment is due after you have been accepted to the program.



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For more  
information:



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## How do I sign up?

If you have questions about the program or wonder if being a master gardener is right for you, please contact Angelette Pryor at 804-752-4310 or [angellp@vt.edu](mailto:angellp@vt.edu).



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How do I sign up?

--OR--

Attend our Open House on October 24th,  
from 2:00 to 4:00 pm  
Woodside Farm  
10447 Cedar Lane  
Glen Allen , VA 23059



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