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Why should I become a master gardener?



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener? It's a great opportunity to give to your community.



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener? You can teach others about responsible gardening practices.



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener?

You can earn recognition.



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener? You'll connect with people who share similar interests.



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener? You'll make new friends!



Why become a Hanover Master Gardener? You'll have fun! GUARANTEED!





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



Activities include:
Staffing the help desk

Planning and helping with the home gardening series

Plant clinics

Speaking to civic and professional groups

Helping to prepare and staff annual plant sales







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No.

To become a master gardener, you will

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



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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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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.



What topics are covered in the training?

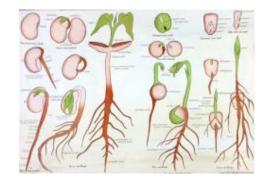


What topics are covered in the training?



Vegetable gardening

Growing plants from seeds



Fruit trees and berries



What topics are covered in the training?



Composting

Lawn care



Landscaping with shrubs and flowers





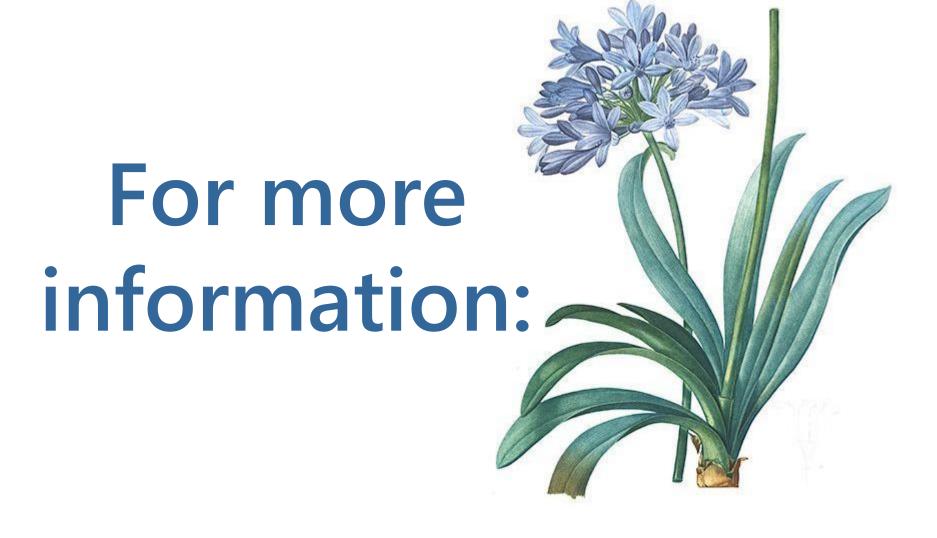
Soil management





2021 Hanover Master Gardening Training Course applications are now being accepted. The form must be printed and bear an original signature to be valid.

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.



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.

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