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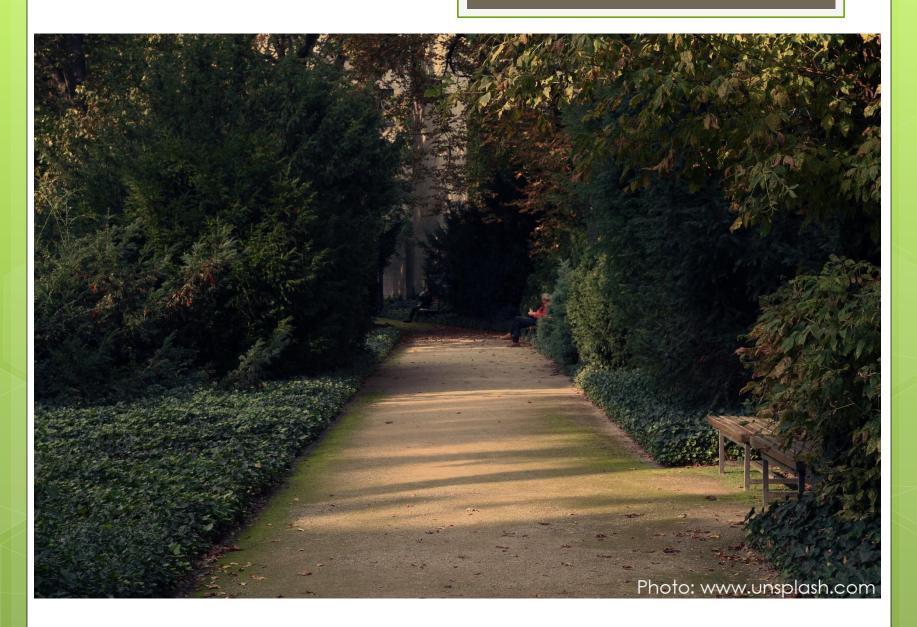
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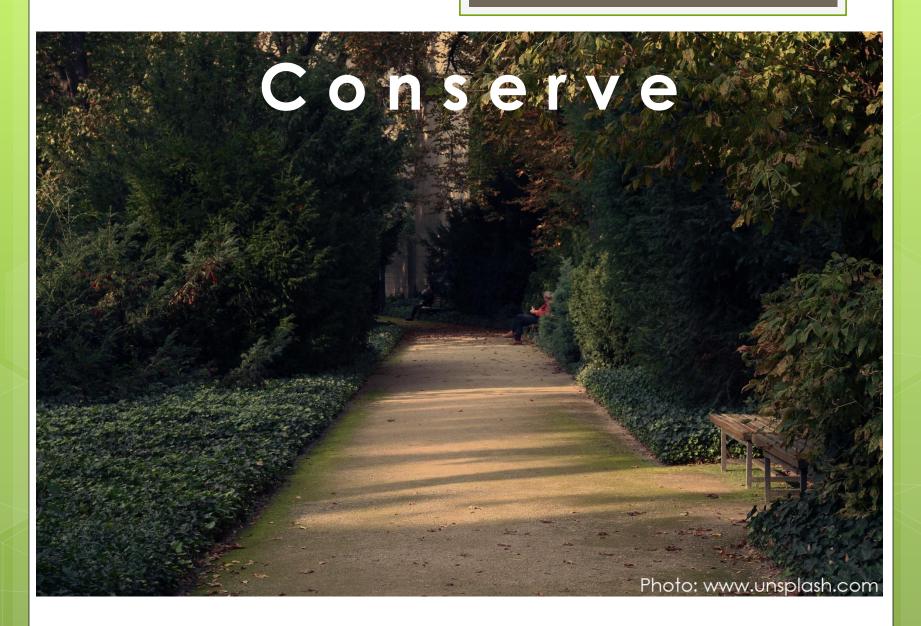
• Why is it important?

• Tips for implementing

# Conservation Landscaping







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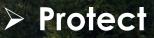
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## **Benefits** to Conservation Landscaping



1. Designed to benefit the environment and function efficiently and aesthetically for human use and well-being

2. Uses native plants appropriately

3. Institutes a management plan for the removal & prevention of existing invasive plants

4. Provides habitat for wildlife

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## **Benefits** to Conservation Landscaping

5. Promotes healthy air quality and minimizes air pollution

6. Conserves and cleans water

7. Promotes healthy soils

8. Conserves energy, reduces waste, and eliminates or minimizes the use of pesticides and fertilizers



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## Incorporating Conservation Landscaping

### • Evaluate your site

- Sunlight
- Moisture
- Aesthetics/Functionality
- Develop a Planting plan
- Consider native plants
- Layout
- Soil Test
- Know what's in your soil

- Installation
- Outline planned area
- Sod removal?
- Constructing raised beds?
- Add compost/top soil mix
- Plant native plants according to specifications
- Consider ground cover, like mulching
- > Water

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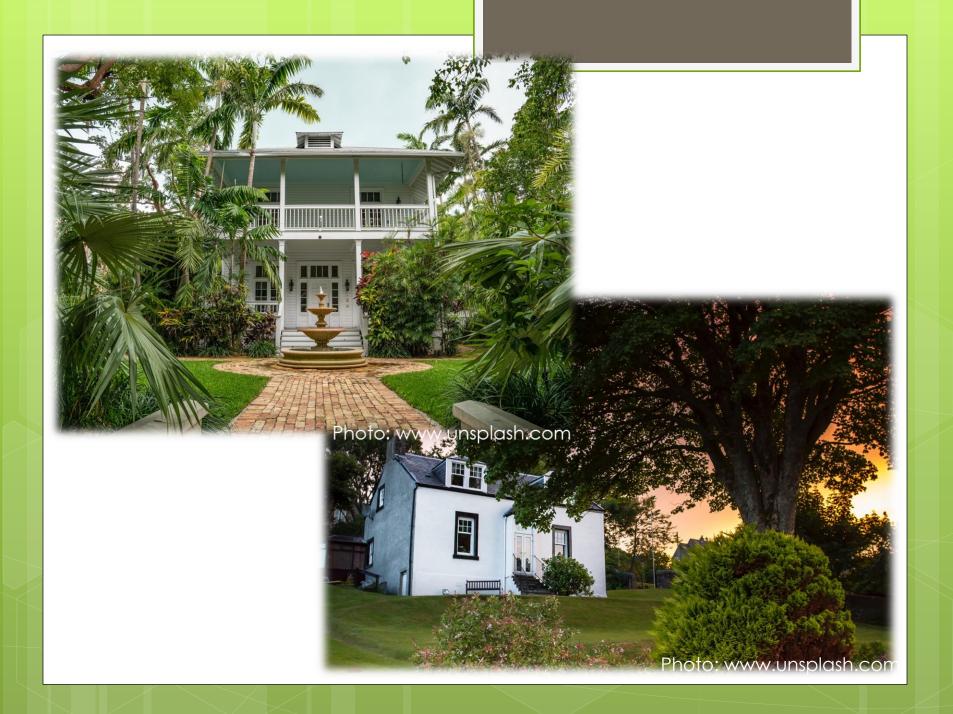
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## Need more info?

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