## Our Chapter Activities

Monthly Zoom Meetings

Monthly activities, such as field trips to public and member native gardens



Volunteering at local native plant gardens

Advocating for native plantings and removal of invasives in our communities and state.

Wild Ones events are open to members & the public.



Seed and plant sharing activities

Educational outreach through tables & talks at community events











## What is Wild Ones?

Wild Ones: Native Plants, Natural Landscapes promotes environmentally friendly, sound landscaping to preserve biodiversity through the preservation, restoration, and establishment of native plant communities by:

- providing free, educational resources and learning opportunities to the public
- publishing a quarterly, award-winning journal for members featuring current native plant information and resources
- offering free, professionally designed native garden templates for multiple regions in the United States.



## Why Native Plants?

Plants form the basis for the food web that supports all life, including ours! In our local food web, native insects have evolved with native plants and many are specialists (such as the Monarch Butterfly with milkweeds). They are unable to use plants that are not native for food or shelter. Habitat loss from development, farming, climate impacts, and lawns and gardens filled with non-native plants has caused marked declines in pollinators and other insects, as well as bird populations that depend on them to feed their young.

By adding native plants to your garden, you can help reverse these declines and help protect our local bio-diversity. Our goal of **70% natives** in every garden can sustain the food web for future life on earth! In addition, with their deep root systems, native plants store carbon efficiently and help with stormwater runoff, mitigating the effects of climate change.

## Our Wild Ones Chapter

Our local South Central Pennsylvania Chapter of Wild Ones serves 11 counties.

Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lebanon, Mifflin, Perry and York Counties

Our goal is to spread the word about the importance of planting natives in your yard and community.

We are a group filled with curious, friendly, and welcoming native plant lovers, from novices to long time native plant gardeners.

Through monthly meetings, field trips, member garden visits, webinars, seed and plant sharing, and more we help each other and our communities grow in knowledge and commitment to "healing the Earth, one yard at a time."

