

## This is a habitat garden

A habitat garden is a year-round space that supports an ecosystem.

It includes various types of water sources, shelters, and food for all creatures throughout the year.

- **Native plants are an essential component for the survival of wildlife.**
- **Insects are a critical element for the survival of an ecosystem.**
- **Plant selection is based on supporting creatures throughout the year.**

### **Habitat garden maintenance:**

- Flowers are allowed to go to seed to provide food.
- Pruning takes place in early spring to avoid disturbing nesting birds.
- All pruned branches and plant debris are left under plant.
- Leaves are used for mulch instead of wood bark mulch.
- Open soil areas are left available for native bee homes.
- Some areas are densely planted for shelters/hiding.

No insects are injured or killed in this garden!

Enjoy!