

## **Twenty First Annual Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase**

Four Days of Inspiration: Online and In-person

### **Online Garden Tour**

Saturday and Sunday, April 5 and 6, 10:00-3:00

### **In-Person Garden Tour**

Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4, 10:00-5:00

Registration: <https://www.bringingbackthenatives.net/>

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**[Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase](#): Visit Your Neighbors' Native Plant Gardens and Electrified Homes!**

Registration for the free, Twenty First Annual [Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase](#) is now open. This year there will be four days of inspiration: two days on-line, and two days in-person: the Tour will also showcase homes with green home features.

### **On-line Tour**

The on-line Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase will take place on the week-end of April 5 and 6 from 10:00-3:00. This event will be kicked off on April 6 with a keynote presentation by the inspirational, best-selling author Doug Tallamy.

The on-line tour will feature six beautiful native plant gardens that attract birds, bees, and butterflies, and talks on fire-resistant native plants and steps you can take to make your home safer, how a renter converted her garden, how to prune natives, gardening for native bees, and more.

### **In-person Tour**

The award-winning in-person Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase will allow registrants to [visit more than fifty beautiful, water-conserving native plant gardens](#) on Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4, from 10:00-5:00. All of the homes have native plant

gardens; twenty five of them will also be sharing their green home features, including solar panels and batteries, induction ranges, heat pumps, and more.

Registrants will learn how design a native plant garden for color and interest throughout the year, garden for wildlife, lower their water bills, protect their family's health and the environment by gardening without using pesticides, and electrify their homes.

What's special about California native plants? They are adapted to our soil and climate, naturally water conserving, and easy to care for. California native plants are better than non-native plants when it comes to attracting native birds, butterflies, and other forms of wildlife. And, as the gardens on the Tour show, these lovely gardens display a sense of place that is uniquely Californian.

For more information, about the garden tour contact [Kathy@KathyKramerConsulting.net](mailto:Kathy@KathyKramerConsulting.net) or call this landline (510) 236-9558 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

### **Calendar Listing**

*See Your Neighbors' Native Plant Gardens and Electrified Homes!*

21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase. Online Tour April 5 & 6, 10 am-3 pm. In-person Tour May 3 & 4, 10 am-5 pm. See how fifty of your neighbors have greened their gardens with California native plants, and learn how twenty of them have electrified their homes. Free. Registration is required [here](#).

### **Short Copy for X, Facebook, Instagram, Nextdoor:**

*See Your Neighbors' Native Plant Gardens and Electrified Homes!*

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### **Blurb for emailed newsletters, websites**

*See Your Neighbors' Native Plant Gardens and Electrified Homes!*

Join the free Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase on-line event on April 5 & 6 from 10 am-3 pm to see beautiful native plant gardens that attract birds, bees, and butterflies, hear from local gardening experts, and "visit" homes with solar panels and backup batteries, heat pumps for heating and cooling the house and heating water, induction ranges, and more.

During the free in-person Tour from 10 am-5 pm on May 3 & 4 more than 50 homeowners in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties are opening their native plant gardens, and some of them will open their homes. Learn how to design a native plant garden for color and interest throughout the year, garden for wildlife, lower your water bills, and garden without using pesticides. Ask homeowners who have electrified about the heat pumps, induction ranges, solar panels, batteries and more they have installed to replace methane gas-powered products. The Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour and Green Home Features Showcase is free, but advance registration is required [here](#).

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