

## City of Manhattan Beach Environmental Task Force Sustainable Gardening Resources

### PLANTS

Manhattan Beach Botanical Garden: [www.MBBGarden.org](http://www.MBBGarden.org) (click on Earth-friendly gardening)  
MWD of Southern California: [www.bewaterwise.com](http://www.bewaterwise.com) (click on Garden Spot)  
Los Angeles Coast Water-Wise Gardening: <http://www.sm.watersavingplants.com>  
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden: <http://www.rsabg.org> (click on Learn)  
Las Pilitas Nursery, Escondido: [www.laspilitas.com](http://www.laspilitas.com)  
Theodore Payne Foundation, Sunland: [www.theodorepayne.org](http://www.theodorepayne.org)  
Tree of Life Nursery, San Juan Capistrano: [www.treeoflifenuresery.com](http://www.treeoflifenuresery.com)  
Los Angeles County, Water-wise Gardening: <http://ladpw.org/epd/sg/wwg.cfm>

### IRRIGATION and WATER RETENTION

Water-wise gardening resources: <http://tinyurl.com/coastalgardnens>  
Enviroscape: <http://www.enviroponds.com/>  
City of Santa Monica's Office of Sustainability: <http://www.smgov.net/departments/ose/>

### WILDLIFE

National Wildlife Federation: Create a certified wildlife habitat: <http://tinyurl.com/NWFgarden>  
Wildscaping – Gardening for wildlife in Southern CA: <http://www.wildscaping.com/index.htm>  
Audubon Society (local): <http://www.pvsb-audubon.org/index.html>  
Manhattan Beach Botanical Garden: [www.MBBGarden.org](http://www.MBBGarden.org) (click on Earth-friendly gardening)

### PEST MANAGEMENT

IPM Online, UC Statewide IPM Program: <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/>

### FERTILIZERS

Peaceful Valley Farm Supply: [www.groworganic.com](http://www.groworganic.com) 888 784-1722

### ORGANIC MULCH

Manhattan Beach free pick-up site: mulch for residents at the city yard: 3621 Bell Avenue, north of Sand Dune Park, right off Rosecrans. Bring tools and containers for pick-up sunrise to sunset.  
San Pedro free pick-up site: [http://www.lacitysan.org/solid\\_resources/pdfs/Mulching\\_Poster.pdf](http://www.lacitysan.org/solid_resources/pdfs/Mulching_Poster.pdf)

### COMPOST and WORM BINS

Obtain bins at Waste Management Inc. 310 830-7100

### BOOKS

Recommended list on Amazon: <http://tinyurl.com/MBBGBooks>

1. Sunset Western Garden Book by Kathleen Norris Brenzel
2. California Native Plants for the Garden by Carol Bornstein
3. Designing California Native Gardens: The Plant Community Approach to Artful, Ecological Gardens by Glenn Keator
4. Landscape Plants for California Gardens by Robert C. Perry
5. Care & Maintenance of Southern California Native Plant Gardens by Bart O'Brien
6. Native Gardens For Dry Climates by Sally Wasowski
7. The California Landscape Garden: Ecology, Culture, and Design by Mark Francis
8. Native Treasures: Gardening With the Plants of California (Phyllis M. Faber Books) by M. Nevin Smith

### CLASSES

Manhattan Beach Botanical Garden, spring and fall gardening classes: [www.MBBGarden.org](http://www.MBBGarden.org)  
Green Garden Academy: <http://www.smgov.net/Departments/OSE/categories/landscape.aspx>  
Green Gardens Group (G3): <http://www.greengardensgroup.com>