

**Yes—Please send me more information on Master Gardener!**  
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Name

Address

Address

Phone: Day

Evening

Cell

How long have you been gardening? (Please Circle)

I'm a beginner Little to no experience

More experience

My Main Gardening interest is:

Vegetables Fruits Flowers Landscapes

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

The best time for me to meet is: (circle all that apply)

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Day Night



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For other Questions?

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**Become a  
 Kentucky  
 Master Gardener**



Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

## What is a Master Gardener?

- Has an interest in any type of gardening, such as vegetables or ornamental;
- Wants to teach others to garden;
- Wants to enhance their community and the environment with service-oriented projects;
- Is trained by Cooperative Extension Service personnel

## How are Master Gardeners Educated?

### Training Requirements

<u>Sessions</u>	<u># of class hrs.</u>
Cooperative Extension Volunteerism	2hrs.
Basic Botany (including optional lab)	6 hrs.
Soils & Fertility (with lab)	4 hrs.
Plant Pathology (with lab)	4 hrs.
Entomology (with lab)	4 hrs.
Pesticides & Pesticide Safety (including environmental issues)	4 hrs.
Total Required Training	24 hrs.

## Master Gardeners Nationwide:

Nationally, there are nearly 100,000 volunteer Master Gardeners. They reach about 5 million people each year—the equivalent of more than \$100 million in value to communities.

## Requirements for Volunteer Hours:

Master Gardeners in training must complete 30 hours of volunteer service prior to obtaining their certificates and their volunteer activities may commence once training begins. Certified Master Gardeners must complete 15 hours of volunteer service annually to maintain their certification. Volunteer activities must be approved by the County Agent administering the program, who will report volunteer hours on a regular basis.

## Types of Volunteer Activities:

- Create & maintain demonstration gardens
- Teaching community education classes
- Answering horticulture phone lines
- Serving on an advisory council
- Demonstrating horticulture techniques in community
- Speaking to schools & youth groups on gardening topics
- Helping to mentor new Master Gardeners
- Writing articles for the local newspaper



## Requirements for Certification:

Master Gardeners are certified when they have completed the training sessions and homework, passed the comprehensive exam with a minimum score of 75% and completed 30 hours of volunteer service. Master Gardeners will maintain their certification by completing 15 hours of volunteer service per year.

## What does the training cost?

The cost of training Master Gardeners varies from county to county. A fee is charged to cover the cost of the supplies and literature used in training. These materials are the Master Gardeners to keep. The Extension agent will inform you of these costs.

