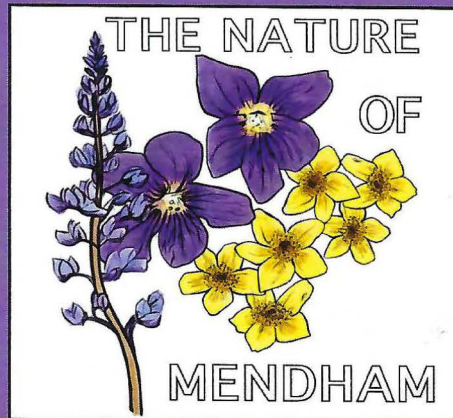


Mendham Community Wildlife Habitat™



The Nature of Mendham has committed to support **native wildlife and plant species** by enhancing wildlife-friendly landscapes across the Mendhams and building awareness through community events and educational outreach.



NEW JERSEY
AUDUBON

Check out our social media
pages to stay updated on
community events and
opportunities to get involved!



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The Nature of Mendham

WHERE TO BUY

Nurseries with a native plant section:

Great Swamp Greenhouses- *Gillette, NJ.*

Plant Detectives- *Chester, NJ.*

Native plants only:

Gino's Nursery

Newtown, PA- ginosnursery.com

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve

New Hope, PA- bhwp.org

Edge of the Woods

Orefield, PA- edgeofthewoods.com

Native plants only, mail order/pick up:

Toadshade Wildflower Farm- toadshade.com

Wild Ridge Plants- wildridgeplants.com

Pinelands Direct- pinelandsdirect.com

Native plants only, mail order plugs:

Pollen Nation- thepollennation.com

Izel Plants- izelplants.com

COMMUNITY WILDLIFE

HABITAT™

www.nwf.org

WE ARE...

- **Building community** by engaging members in educational workshops, installing wildlife-friendly gardens and leading volunteer events.
- **Guiding residents how to take action** to make their communities healthier, sustainable and wildlife-friendly.
- **Implementing wildlife conservation strategies** equitably across our community by creating corridors for wildlife, increasing the use of native plants, identifying and removing invasive non-native species and reducing the use of chemicals.
- **Beautifying our community** by creating habitat for wildlife with native wildflowers, trees and shrubs; adding water features; and welcoming wildlife such as butterflies and birds.

THROUGH THIS PROGRAM

How To Support Our Efforts

The Nature of Mendham is currently working on certifying Mendham Township and Mendham Borough as a “Community Wildlife Habitat” through the National Wildlife Federation and NJ Audubon, but we need your help to reach that goal.

An integral part of the process to become certified is obtaining **individual** habitat certifications in the community, each of which are worth points.

We need **175** points to certify the Mendhams, with each home (including townhomes & apartments) worth 1 point, and each common area (parks, businesses, town property) worth 3 points and each school worth 5 points.

Please consider certifying your outdoor space(s) and help our community replenish resources for wildlife both locally and along migratory corridors.

CERTIFY YOUR PROPERTY AS A WILDLIFE HABITAT

Once you complete the checklist, make sure to apply online at:

www.nwf.org/certify

There is a \$20 application fee associated with certification which supports the National Wildlife Federation's programs to address the issues leading to declining habitat for wildlife nationwide.

FOOD: Your habitat needs **THREE** of the following types of plants or supplemental feeders:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Seeds from a plant | <input type="checkbox"/> Nuts | <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Bird Feeder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nectar | <input type="checkbox"/> Suet | <input type="checkbox"/> Follen | <input type="checkbox"/> Hummingbird Feeder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Berries | <input type="checkbox"/> Sap | <input type="checkbox"/> Foliage/Twigs | <input type="checkbox"/> Butterfly Feeder |

WATER: Your habitat needs **ONE** of the following sources to provide clean water for wildlife to drink and bathe:

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|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birdbath | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring | <input type="checkbox"/> River/Stream | <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Garden |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal Pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Lake/Pond | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Butterfly Puddling Area |

COVER: Wildlife needs at least **TWO** places to find shelter from the weather and predators:

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wooded Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Cave | <input type="checkbox"/> Brush or Log Pile | <input type="checkbox"/> Dense Shrubs/Thicket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bramble Patch | <input type="checkbox"/> Roosting Box | <input type="checkbox"/> Burrow | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Garden or Pond |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Cover | <input type="checkbox"/> Evergreens | <input type="checkbox"/> Meadow or Prairie | <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pile or Wall |

PLACES TO RAISE YOUNG: You need at least **TWO** places for wildlife to engage in courtship behavior, mate, and then bear and raise their young:

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|--|----------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mature Trees | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland | <input type="checkbox"/> Dead Trees or Snags | <input type="checkbox"/> Dense Shrubs/Thicket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meadow or Prairie | <input type="checkbox"/> Cave | <input type="checkbox"/> Host Plants for Caterpillars | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Garden or Pond |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nesting Box | <input type="checkbox"/> Burrow | | |

SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES: You need to employ practices from at least **TWO** of the three categories below to help manage your habitat in a sustainable way- *to better help wildlife*, we advocate employing one or more practices from each category:

- Soil and Water Conservation:**
 - Riparian Buffer
 - Limit Water Use
 - Reduce Erosion
 - Xeriscape (water-wise landscaping)
 - Capture Rain Water from Roof
 - Use Mulch
 - Rain Garden
 - Drip or Soaker Hose for Irrigation
- Controlling Exotic Species:**
 - Practice Integrated Pest Management
 - Use Native Plants
 - Remove Non-Native Plants and Animals
 - Reduce Lawn Areas
- Organic Practices:**
 - Eliminate Chemical Pesticides
 - Compost
 - Eliminate Chemical Fertilizers