

5 UNIQUE ADVANTAGES!

Of Living Landscapes

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Whether you're an avid gardener or simply enjoy spending time outdoors, living landscapes provide a place to unwind from the daily hustle and connect with nature.

Did you know? Living landscapes, or natural landscapes, come in many shapes and sizes and can be found just about anywhere! What sets them apart is the intentional use of native plants that are well-adapted to the local climate, require little water or maintenance, and provide a safe habitat for native species.

As the name suggests, living landscapes bring life into any space, from their vibrant plant palette to the diverse wildlife they attract. But beyond their natural beauty, they offer endless possibilities to create a space of your own that supports the local ecosystem and improves your quality of life.

Dig into to these five (5) advantages of living landscapes:



1

DO MORE WITH LESS.

Living landscapes offer all the benefits of a healthy, thriving garden without extra maintenance. With native plants, water-smart equipment, and a little TLC, you can save water, time, AND money all year long. MWDOC offers a variety of [rebates](#) to help you get started today!

2

PROVIDE A HABITAT.

Your home is a place to relax, reset, and refuel. And just like us, plants and animals need this too. Living landscapes meet essential needs like food and shelter for pollinators, birds, and other wildlife, and to return the favor, you'll likely see fewer pests and more growth in your garden!

3

IMPROVE SOIL HEALTH.

Once established in your living landscape, native plants can produce their own organic mulch. Leaves dropped by native plants provide oxygen to plant roots, shade the soil to retain more water and filter pollutants keeping your soil healthy and your plants happy!

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COOL DOWN YOUR SPACE.

Leverage the power of plants as natural air conditioners! Living landscapes can shade the ground and sides of your home, creating a more comfortable space both inside and outside. You may even see cost-savings on your energy bill too.

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CLEAN THE AIR.

Whether you're just starting your day, taking a much-needed break, or unwinding at the end of a busy schedule, nothing beats a nice deep breath of fresh air, and your plants are to thank! Not only are native plants effective for removing carbon dioxide from the air, but they smell great too.