

CONSERVATION CROSSFEED

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As recent as five years ago, much of the peer-reviewed scientific research was not readily available via the World Wide Web, and what was available, mostly from large publishing companies, were the abstracts. A teaser for the article contents. Most articles could be downloaded from the WWW but at a modest fee or you could go to your nearest large university, and hope they have a copy of the journal. Currently, the list of on-line publications is growing daily. Most researchers, or NR Managers, can do a multitude of literature searches for specific keyword articles from their desks. In some cases, making life easier. I have included two additional sites for on-line publications and keyword searches that I use a lot. Hope they will be helpful.

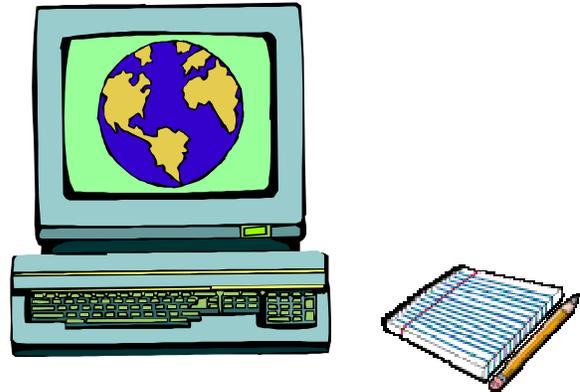
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FindArticles.com

(<http://www.findarticles.com/PI/index.jhtml>)

is a vast archive of published articles that you can search for free. Constantly updated, it contains articles dating back to 1998 from more than 300 magazines and journals.

I use this site a lot for quick keyword searches. Very easy to use with excellent search results.



e-journals.org (e-journal.org)

Electronic Sites of Leading Botany, Plant Biology and Science Journals

These are links to journals in which articles concerning plant biology are published. The sites will almost always have a Tables of Contents available free and may frequently have selected articles, or the entire text online. Some sites are free; others require registration or paid subscriptions. Many journals have free "trial" periods, or bundle online with print subscriptions, so check the site to test availability. Links are checked monthly.

A very long list of available journals but worth the time to search -- saves a trip to the local university library.

For those of you planning on attending the NMFWA meeting in Dallas next month. Check out: <http://www.thedallaspage.com/> for local tourist attractions, sports, shopping, dining, hotels.

Hope to see ya'll there (ya'll is a local term so practice.)!!!

For more information on any of these articles. Contact HQ AFCEE/ECS, DSN 240-3808
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Check out our webpage: <http://www.afcee.brooks.af.mil/ec/cnr/cnr.htm>

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More Plant WWW Sites

The Green Landscaping with Native Plants

This web site (<http://www.epa.gov/greenacres/>) is maintained by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Great Lakes National Program Office. Primarily designed for the Great Lakes region, it has useful information applicable nationwide. Highlights include a tool kit for local governments to promote the use of native plants, a law review article on municipal weed laws, an outstanding native plant CD by Springfield Township, Michigan, a handbook with "how-to" information for homeowners, case studies, fact sheets, and more. This site is especially useful for those wanting to integrate native plants into a landscape and for advocates promoting the use of native plants.

Native Plant Information Network

(<http://www.wildflower.org/npin/index.html>)

The Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center seeks to inspire people of all ages to reconnect themselves to the land by providing them with the tools and resources they need to understand their ecological heritage, become better ecological citizens, and secure a sound ecological future. The purpose of the Native Plant Information Network is to distribute and promote a diverse array of accessible and scientifically accurate native plant materials for the Texas Hill Country, the state of Texas and the Nation.

I would like to direct your attention to the National Directory webpage. It contains lists of Recommended Species, National Organizations, Plant and Seed Suppliers, and Native Plant Landscapers. All lists can be searched by plant name (common, scientific, or genus), state, or city.

The most valuable source of native plant information I have every found.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

2002

Mar 19-20; Air Force Cultural Resources Managers Annual Meeting, Adam's Mark Hotel, Denver CO (in conjunction with the 2002 Society for American Archaeology meetings 21-24 Mar 2002). Contact Jim Wilde at james.wilde@brooks.af.mil

April 1-5; National Military Fish and Wildlife Meeting, Dallas TX. www.nmfwa.org

May 9-10; Ecosystems Restoration and Creation, Hillsborough Community College, Tampa FL. Contact fwebb@hcc.cc.fl.us

Another source of plant data is the **DoD Global Landscape Plant Database: PLANTSCAPE**

(<http://www.afcee.brooks.af.mil/dc/dcd/land/plantdata/>). This database of plant information contains detailed information, some with high-quality color photographs, on landscaping plants used across the DoD. This database is a work in progress and leaves room for installations to add to the landscape database; if interested in contributing plant information contact Brenda Roesch (Brenda.Roesch@brooks.af.mil). This database can be searched on as many levels of criteria as you wish from *location, form, hardiness, design consideration, foliage, flowers, bark, fruit, and culture*.