

“We stand now where two roads diverge. But unlike the roads in Robert Frost’s familiar poem, they are not equally fair. The road we have long been traveling is deceptively easy, a smooth superhighway on which we progress with great speed, but at its end lies disaster. The other fork of the road, *the one less traveled by*, offers our last, our only chance to reach a destination that assures the preservation of the earth.”

--Rachel Carson



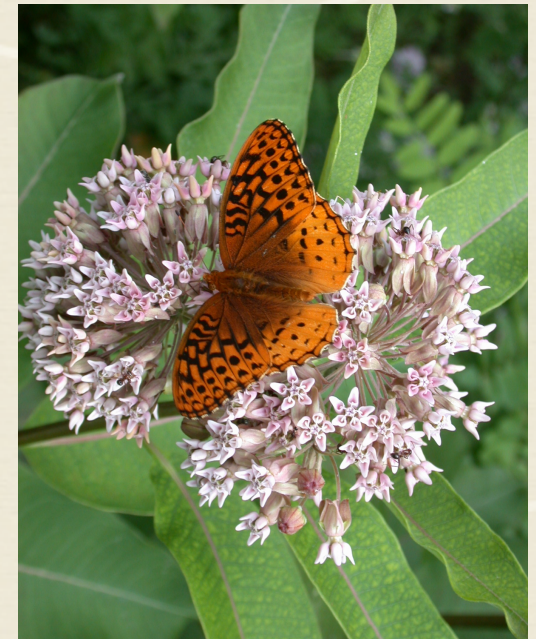
Benefits of HABITAT FOR ALL:

- 🌿 Supports increased numbers and diversity of wildlife by providing food and habitat
- 🌿 Improves air and water quality
- 🌿 Reduces habitat fragmentation by connecting to other local habitat areas
- 🌿 Sets an example--allows you to take an active role in conserving biodiversity
- 🌿 Beautifies your landscape and increases enjoyment of your home
- 🌿 Reduces time and money spent to maintain your landscape
- 🌿 Increases your property’s monetary value

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A land trust dedicated to the preservation of the natural, historic, agricultural and scenic resources of Dauphin County and to the promotion of environmental education.

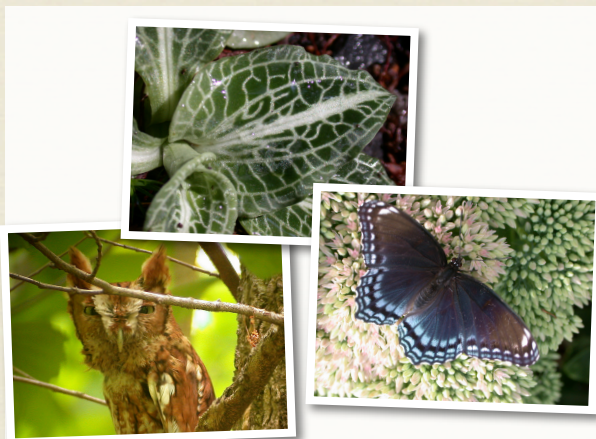
HABITAT FOR ALL



SHOW YOUR COLORS!

.....AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO
A HEALTHY ECOSYSTEM
FOR THE FUTURE

HAVE YOUR HOME LANDSCAPE
CERTIFIED AS A
MANADA CONSERVANCY
HABITAT FOR ALL
LOCATION



Your yard, no matter its size, is part of a larger ecosystem. By improving its quality you can enhance the diversity of life that lives in it, and you can reduce the time and costs (both monetary and hidden) that are incurred in maintaining a traditional landscape. You will support the Manada Conservancy, raise awareness of conservation issues, become more knowledgeable and aware of your ecosystem, and provide habitat for birds, insects and other wildlife.

"We abuse the land because we regard it as a commodity that belongs to us. When we see the land as a community to which we belong we may begin to use it with love and respect."
--Aldo Leopold

HOW TO CERTIFY YOUR LAND

We know the items below are subjective, and possible to different degrees, depending on your landscape. We trust your judgement! If you qualify, check the "yes" box. If you check them all, you are a Manada Conservancy HABITAT FOR ALL participant! Just tear off this section of the brochure, and mail it to the address on the back. If you would like a beautiful 9 x 12 aluminum sign (recycled aluminum of course!) for your property, please check that box, and enclose your payment. You don't have to buy a sign to participate.

MINIMIZE THE PROBLEMS

- ☐ Have you reduced or eliminated pesticide/herbicide usage, and chosen organic products when possible?
- ☐ Are you working to remove non-native invasive plants where possible (for example, burning bush, japanese barberry, purple loosestrife, oriental bittersweet, japanese honeysuckle, norway maple)?
- ☐ Have you reduced the amount of lawn you mow?

WELCOME THE WILDLIFE

- ☐ Have you included as many layers in your habitat as possible--canopy trees, understory trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants?
- ☐ Have you preserved existing water sources, such as marshes, streams or ponds, or add new sources, such as a birdbath or water feature?
- ☐ Have you avoided manicuring your environment, and allowed leaf litter to remain, and last years stalks to stand?
- ☐ Have you provided natural food, such as berries and seeds?
- ☐ When acquiring plants, do you choose native plants, adapted to the local environment, and therefore low-maintenance?

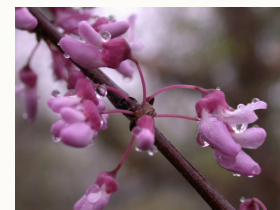
Did you know you can be a "messy gardener", and the wildlife will love it! That old log might cover salamander eggs! That tall grass might have a Song Sparrow nest in it! Instead of mowing, weeding and worrying, sit back and enjoy your beautiful and functional landscape!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____

- ☐ MY PROPERTY QUALIFIES AS A HABITAT FOR ALL
- ☐ I AM PROUD TO BE A PART OF THE MANADA CONSERVANCY'S HABITAT FOR ALL PROGRAMS AND WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A SIGN TO DISPLAY ON MY PROPERTY. I ENCLOSE \$15.
- ☐ I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE MANADA CONSERVANCY. I ENCLOSE AN ADDITIONAL \$25.



This beautiful native Redbud tree welcomes Spring with its lovely blossoms, which precede the heart-shaped leaves.



A native meadow, with little maintenance, can be a sight to behold.