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MORE SUMMER:



Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*), by Michelle Gooden.

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Plant Tour This Saturday!

Please join us on August 17th for open-house style native plant tours!

Date/Time: Saturday, August 17, 2024

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Tour Guidelines:

- Only visit sites during specified hours: 10am – 2pm on Sunday, August 17th.
- Be respectful of people's property and privacy. No pets, please.
- Do not pick flowers, collect seeds, or take cuttings (etc.) without express owner permission.
 - Feel free to take photos and tag #ridgeandvalleynativeplants.
- Owners may be out and happy to show you around or may choose to stay inside. Please be respectful and do not disturb homeowners who choose not to lead tours. No restrooms available.
- Click on the links below pictures and additional information about each location.

Locations:

- [Lucy & Kean Ivey](#), 1000 Lyndhurst Rd, Waynesboro, VA 22980
- [Jennifer Lewis](#), 113 Iris Drive, Waynesboro, VA 22980
- [Collette Hostetler](#), 149 Maryland Ave, Harrisonburg, VA 22801
- [Paulson Kurtz](#), 9400 Sweet Home Ln, Broadway, VA 22815

Plant photos below from Colette Hostetler, one of the hosts.

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Events

We have a number of events coming up for you! Plant sales, tours, walks, webinars, and more! Be sure to keep an eye on our [Chapter Events Page](#).

The History of Lena Artz, Part 2 - Fort Valley Botanist: On August 17 Andrea Weeks will give a talk about Lena Arts (1892-1976), a trail blazing botanist from Fort Valley. She documented unique plant communities in Shenandoah & Rockingham counties. She published 40 papers, created 1,000s of herbarium specimens, & was the first to describe black ash & Ozark milkvetch. She was an active member of the PATC. The talk is at the [Fort Valley Museum](#) in the Trinity church building at 1pm.

Native Gardening 101 Webinar Series: Are you new to native plants? New to gardening? Or just having trouble figuring out what to do when? Join us for a three-part webinar series to get you started or help you along in your native plant journey. Ivy will walk us through the basics of what to be thinking about, planning, and doing in each season. Whether you are an experienced gardener or totally new to native plants, join us to learn tips and tidbits for everyone. *One [registration](#) (\$10) gains you access to all three webinars and their recordings.*