

Why Go Native?



The plants and animals native to America are beautiful, diverse and perfectly adapted to survival in this climate. We have become disconnected from the greatness of our natural heritage. Vibrant, life-sustaining communities of American plants have sadly been replaced by foreign substitutes that do little to benefit our environment or support wildlife. In today's modern world, it is easy to forget that we depend on this same ecosystem for our own survival.

Native Return works with landholders to create and manage native plant and animal habitat. Our projects include woodlands, shrublands, stream edges, grasslands and wetlands, offering:

- Increased biodiversity
- An improved environmental image, including points toward LEED® certification
- Significantly lower maintenance costs
- Reduced air, water and noise pollution
- Little watering and no fertilization
- Natural solutions to stormwater problems
- Year round beauty and natural areas for private and public enjoyment



Christina Kobland, concerned by the loss of wildlife habitat, founded Native Return with the goal of convincing others to share their land with wildlife. Christina has a BS degree in zoology, an extensive background in the restoration of native plant and animal communities, and a lifelong passion for wildlife.

Christina's public lectures and garden tours endear her to those who advocate for wildlife and its protection.

Award winning projects:

- National BASF Corporate Quality Vegetation Management "Project Habitat" Award for the 20 acre meadow at PECO/Exelon's Manor Road Right-of-Way (pictured inside)
- 4 Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Community Greening Awards
- Most Wildlife Friendly Garden *and* Best Commercial Garden, Whitemarsh Township Garden Contest

Our Clients Include



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Some of our specialties...

Native Meadows



Native Return converts any landscape to native grassland and wildflower meadows, offering a responsible, sustainable alternative to traditional high maintenance lawns. Unlike lawns, our native meadows require little care and no watering or fertilization. They provide ever-changing seasonal beauty as well as habitat for interesting and unusual wildlife, including a multitude of songbirds and butterflies.



Spring



Summer



Fall



Winter

Invasive Plant Control

Through the expert identification and removal of invasive plants, Native Return converts areas overtaken by invasive growth to healthy native habitat.



Typical Invasive Growth



Selective Herbicide Application



Appropriate Native Plantings with Deer Protection



Release of Native Seed Populations

Utility Right-of-Ways

Native Return manages transmission line open spaces by replacing invasive plants with grassland and low shrub wildlife habitat, a cost-effective management strategy with positive environmental impact. These areas serve as important wildlife corridors.



Above: Native Return's 20 acre grassland meadow for PECO/Exelon's Manor Road ROW



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