

Lawns to Legumes: Habitat at Home

Project Checklist Fall 2026



June

- Start planning your pollinator project!
 - Consider different project types like a pocket planting, pollinator meadow, flowering native trees and shrubs, or pollinator-friendly lawn alternatives.
- Select a project location.
- Start your site prep, especially if using smothering or solarizing techniques.

July

- Look into pre-ordering from native plant nurseries for fall plant sales.
- Request a coach if needed (watch your email for the request form in mid-July).

August

- If you have a coach, start discussing ideas.
- Finalize your planting plan or design.

September

- Purchase plants and materials.
- Plant between late August and early October (at least 6-8 weeks before the first frost).

October

- Care for your installed project by watering regularly until the ground freezes in fall (1 inch a week when no rain).
- Collect seed from your mature garden.

November

- Spread seed for any dormant seeding projects shortly before the first snowfall.