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Plant Native and Protect Local Waterways this Spring

With the Help of Franklin Soil and Water's Annual Spring Conservation Tree and Plant Sale

3/9/2016 FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO— Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District is currently hosting their Annual Spring Conservation Tree and Plant Sale. We will be accepting orders through Monday, April 10th. The sale highlights native trees, shrubs, and plants that thrive in Ohio climate and soils, as well as attract native pollinators, birds, and mammals. Ordering details, including a complete list of species and their descriptions, can be found at the Franklin Soil and Water [shopping cart](#). Proceeds from the sale go toward their Conservation Fund and Mini-Grant program, benefitting soil and water conservation projects throughout Franklin County.

This year, we have a special focus on rare species found in Ohio. Almost a third of Ohio's plant species are considered rare. Six Ohio plants are listed as threatened or endangered, and we are excited to offer a few species from that list. For our interested gardeners, here are a few rare species we are offering: Aromatic Aster, Savanna Blazingstar, and Sweet Goldenrod. Tolerant of Ohio climate and soils, native plants require less maintenance than many non-native plants—families can spend the time saved enjoying the summer months together, instead.

There is something for everyone at the Franklin Soil and Water Tree and Plant Sale, including native perennials, grasses, aquatic plants, seed packs and themed tree packets. This year, the tree packets are as follows: Riparian, All the Buzz, For the Birds, Honeysuckle Replacement and Backyard Bounty. Each tree packet contains a total of ten plants & includes two seedlings of each species. For a list of tree species, view our [order form](#).

Orders will be accepted through Monday, April 10th, with the pick-up dates as April 28th from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. or April 29th, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon at the Ohio Division of Wildlife (1500 Dublin Road, Columbus OH 43215). For complete details, visit <http://shop.franklinswcd.org>. Orders are currently being accepted online and by mail. Click here to view the [mail-in order form](#). For questions, call (614) 486-9613.

Orders should be mailed to:

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The mission of Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District is to promote land-use decisions for the conservation, protection and improvement of soil and water resources by providing information assistance through effective partnering, technical guidance and education.