

Resources for Transforming Lawns and Other Areas into Landscape

Description	Link	Source
Garden Design Ideas		
Davis-area examples and diagrams of landscapes after	http://publicgarden.ucdavis.edu/life-after-lawn	UC Davis Arboretum
Plant Savvy Newsletter (ornamentals)	https://www.monrovia.com/fresh-cuts-newsletter/	Monrovia
Garden Design (website/newsletter)	https://www.gardendesign.com	GardenDesign.com
Plant Research		
***Identification and search for native plants by location and by name. Gives water-use/sun/shade info	http://calscape.org/	California Native Plant Society
Non-profit database to search by location for CA native plants, pics, info; good search tool	http://www.calflora.org/	CalFlora
Native plant nursery with amazing search tool for native plants w/pics, other info	www.laspilitas.com	Nursery on Southern Central Coast that provides great deal of information on natives.
***Arboretum All-Stars; search for tested, tough, reliable plants that are easy to grow; good pictures	http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/plant_search.aspx	UC Davis
Good article on native alternatives to grass, design ideas	http://www.cnps.org/cnps/grownative/tips/lawn_alternatives.php	California Native Plant Society (CNPS)
Lawn Conversion Process/Ideas		
Lawn to Garden - Comprehensive Guide to the sheet mulch process	http://www.lawntogarden.org/how-to-sheet-mulch	StopWaste (Alameda Cty public agency focused on recycling & using water, energy and other resources efficiently)
Lawn Removal Methods (step by step, detailed)	http://sacmg.ucanr.edu/Beyond_Lawn/	Sacramento Co Master Gardeners
From Lawn to Water-Smart Landscape, Part 1. Article about Placer County couple who converted lawn to	http://pcmg.ucanr.org/newsletters/Curious_Gardener_Newslatters69479.pdf	Curious Gardener newsletter, Master Gardeners of Nevada & Placer Counties
From Lawn to Water-Smart Landscape, Part 2. Second article about Placer County couple who converted	http://pcmg.ucanr.org/newsletters/Curious_Gardener_Newslatters69479.pdf	Curious Gardener newsletter, Master Gardeners of Nevada & Placer Counties
Short stories of lawn conversions	http://bewatersmart.info/rethink-your-yard/	Regional Water Authority (Sacramento area)
Design-It-Yourself Native Garden (step-by-step slides on design process)	http://www.cnps-scv.org/index.php/education/presentations/319-design-it-yourself-native-garden	Deva Luna in CA Native Plant Society, Santa Clara Chapter
Water-Wise Landscape		
PDF on water-wise landscaping for the Sierra foothills	http://ncmg.ucanr.org/files/140129.pdf	UCMG Nevada/Placer Counties
***Guidance in selection and care of landscape plants relative to their water needs	http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/	UC Ag & Natural Resources (UCANR)
Bermuda Grass		
IPM Pest Note on Bermuda Grass	http://ipm.ucanr.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn7453.html	UC Integrated Pest Management (UCIPM)
Landscape Care		
How to care for your new landscape	http://lawntogarden.org/sites/default/files/maint_guide%20%281%29.pdf	StopWaste

Additional Resources for Transforming Lawns and Other Areas into Landscape

These links tend to contain more detailed, specific information. Dig in!

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Grass Removal Methods	http://sonomamg.ucanr.edu/Lawn_Replacement/Grass Removal Methods/	Sonoma Co Master Gardeners
Lose Your Lawn, sheet mulching, entire process	http://ccmg.ucanr.edu/files/172352.pdf	Contra Costa Master Gardeners
Do it Yourself Lawn Removal (Includes sheet mulching, entire process)	http://sonomamg.ucanr.edu/files/203098.pdf	Sonoma Co MG
Calculate the benefits of your landscaping	https://www.riverfriendly.com/	Sacramento Co.; less precise out of cty.
MP Rotators, installation guide & video, includ sketches	https://www.hunterindustries.com/support/mp-rotator-installation	Hunter
Short descriptions of alternatives to lawns	https://www.cnps.org/cnps/grownative/pdf/lawn_alternatives-luna.pdf	Deva Luna
Slides and handouts for 1/2-day seminar on lawn removal & native garden installation	http://www.cnps-scv.org/index.php/education/presentations/329-lawn-removal-native-garden-installation-by-deva-luna	Deva Luna
Ditch Your Lawn - 4-steps w reasons & resources	http://www.cnps.org/cnps/grownative/lawn/	CA Native Plant Society
Ditch Your Lawn - No. CA materials - lots of good resources	http://www.cnps.org/cnps/education/workshops/lawn_materials-nc2015.php	CA Native Plant Society
Lawn removal to native plants (how-to)	http://www.laspilitas.com/replawn.htm	Las Pilitas Nursery
Plant specification, lawn removal, installation, and watering	http://californianativeplants.com/resources/kill-your-lawn/	Tree of Life Nursery
7-step process, w more detail available for each	http://www.native-again-landscape.com/lawn-to-drought-resistant-perennials.html	Native Again Landscaping
How to remove lawn using sheet mulching	http://www.native-again-landscape.com/remove-your-lawn.html	Native Again Landscaping
Prepping and Planting:Installing Your Landscape	https://www.cnps.org/gardening/prepping-and-planting	CA Native Plant Society