

Santa Fe Extension Master Gardeners Newsletter

Lilacs in Northern New Mexico

by Márta Gyeviki

Nothing is more wistful than the scent of lilac, nor more robust than its woody stalk, for we must remember that it is a tree as well as a flower, we must try not to forget this. —Stevie Smith

Springtime always brings wonders and promises of renewal: emerging leaves, flowering bulbs, and warmer days. After the still and monochromatic winter, it is exciting to see colors. Although lilacs are not the earliest bloomers, they are among the early flowering bushes and are distinctive to Santa Fe, the Taos valley, and surrounding populated areas nearby. They are not native to New Mexico, nor even to the United States, but lilacs are widely cultivated and have been naturalized in most of North America. When used along with native plants, they offer a good example of how useful imported plants can be in fostering a diverse landscape.

Both large, sprawling common lilac (*Syringa vulgaris*), native to the Balkans, and the smaller, more delicate Persian lilac hybrid (*Syringa x persica*) were introduced to the American colonies in the 18th century. According to correspondence between gardeners and botanists in Virginia and Pennsylvania, a “fine collection” was grown in those states at that time. Historical records show that lilacs arrived in Santa Fe from France, having been brought by Bishop Lamy, who arrived here in 1851. Americans and Europeans probably brought them to Taos around 1900.

Tips for Growing Lilacs Successfully

Lilacs are very hardy and easy to grow. They reach from 5 to 15 feet tall, depending on the variety. While

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they thrive in fertile, well-drained, pH-neutral soil, they tolerate clay and alkaline soils, though it's advisable to amend your soil if it is very lean. They prefer full sun but will bloom well with at least six hours of direct sunlight. The flowers attract butterflies and are good for cutting.

It is recommended to apply a layer of compost around the plant each spring, followed by mulch to keep moisture in and weeds out. Irrigate weekly during the hottest months if rain is scarce.

Lilacs bloom on the previous year's wood, so it's best to prune them immediately after they flower. First remove any dead wood, then cut back at most one third of the oldest canes to the ground. You can also remove skimpy new shoots at this time, though it's a good idea to leave some of the stronger shoots to fill in the plant. Deadhead the flowers after they fade (before they go to seed) to encourage a robust bloom the following year.

Recommended Cultivars for Northern New Mexico

- Syringa vulgaris* 'Charles Joly' (wine red)
- Syringa vulgaris* 'Ludwig Spaeth' (reddish-purple)
- Syringa vulgaris* 'Mme. Lemoine' (double white)
- Syringa x persica* (lavender-purple)
- Syringa meyeri* 'Palibin' (dwarf species with light lavender-pink flowers)

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From the Board

by Karen Armijo, vice president

Hello, SFEMG! This year I am serving as vice president of the board. It's a new role for me and I'm learning a lot. We have a busy and exciting year ahead. Below are a few noteworthy items.

Continuing Education: The board voted to allow a transition year between the old SFMGA member requirements and the new SFEMG member requirements; see the [Track It Forward](#) page in the Members Only section of our website for details. The education committee is developing new educational opportunities, including a speaker series from our talented membership.

Public Events: Our largest annual event, the Garden Fair, will be held on May 4 at the Santa Fe County Fairgrounds. There will be educational programs, a plant and garden-shed sale, and a kid's corner. Our radio program, the Garden Journal, will be conducting a live broadcast on KSFR 101.1 FM. We have two Let's Grow opportunities this month: "Cactus Propagation" on May 11 and "Save Water! Plant Natives!" on May 18 (see page 9 for details). You will also see our Ask-A-Master-Gardener (AAMG) tables around town starting in May through the summer; see the article on page 6 and the schedule on page 7.

Board Announcements: We have voted in our acting president, Linda Fleming, as our inaugural SFEMG president and formalized my role as VP. We also selected a logo for our new organization. In April we held our annual Welcome to the Interns event. Your board continues to work hard to improve records; revise SFEMG documents, including our policies and our website; manage day-to-day organizational expenses; and develop innovative programs based upon our members' interests. It really is a talented and dedicated engine of positive change leading us into a new era.

Member Opportunities: The Garden Fair requires many volunteers. We still need help to make the event a success. If you haven't signed up yet, visit [Sign Up Genius](#) to check out the openings. We are also looking for writers for our newsletter and the monthly SFEMG *New Mexican* column. Sarah Baldwin can guide you with topics and support you in developing the article. Please reach out at news.sfemg@gmail.com. Additionally, we are in the process of planning regularly occurring social activities for our membership to foster and strengthen our network. If you are interested in the social/hospitality committee, please contact me (use the directory on the [Members Only](#) page). Board meetings occur the second Tuesday of every month at the Santa Fe County Extension Office. Members are welcome. Come see the great work your board is doing for you!



2019 SFEMG Board



GARDEN FAIR & PLANT SALE



Extension Master Gardeners
SATURDAY MAY 4
9 am – 3 pm

Santa Fe County Fairgrounds 3229 Rodeo Road
Free Admission and Parking

Bigger & Better!

EXPANDED FACILITY THIS YEAR!

Demos • Exhibits • Tool Sharpening • Used Tools

SPEAKERS

- 10 AM** Cactus Rescue Project, Saving the Santa Fe Cholla –
John “Obie” Oberhausen
- 11 AM** Native Plants Demo & Talk –
Mike Halverson, Manager, Santa Ana Native Plants
- 12 Noon** Attracting Native Bees to New Mexico Backyards –
Olivia Caril
- 1 PM** Aquaponics, Hydroponics & Greenhouse Management –
Charlie Schultz, SF Community College
- 2 PM** Horticultural Therapy & Gardening in Your Golden Years –
Kathy Brechner

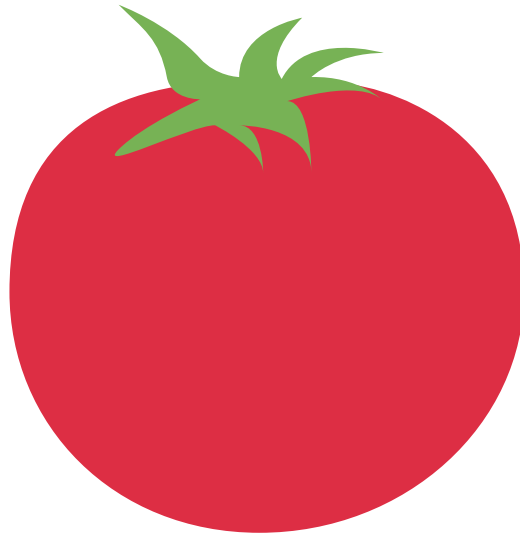
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NEED HELP GROWING TOMATOES?



GROWING TOMATOES WITH THE TOMATO LADY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST
5:30 PM

Want to know the secret to growing great tomatoes? Join us for a workshop with THE Tomato Lady! With years of experience growing and selling tomatoes at the SF Farmers Market, Master Gardener Jannine Cabossel will let you in on her sure-fire tomato techniques. Offered in conjunction with the Santa Fe Seed Library and the SFEMG, this program is free and open to the public.

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Southside Library
6599 Jaguar Dr.
955-2810



Santa Fe Public Library
Community Services Department, City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

Project Highlight: Ask A Master Gardener

by Wendy Wilson

Spring has finally arrived and the Ask A Master Gardener (AAMG) site program has officially started. The first AAMG event celebrated Earth Day, on Monday, April 22, at the Botanical Garden. The garden-center sites (Payne's North and South and Newman's) begin mid-May, and the Railyard site boots up on June 1. Additionally, there will be AAMG tables at SFEMG's Garden Fair & Plant Sale, as well as at the County Fair, and several events at the Cornell Rose Garden and the Botanical Garden.

So what does this mean for you? Answers, conversation, and information-sharing among Master Gardeners (MGs), interns, and the public. And boy-oh-boy do we get some questions! Seasonal, disease, bug, soil, water, and species related. We receive some baffling queries that we have to refer to the AAMG online site and some where we can't quite believe what we've heard. Below are several examples of questions AAMGs were asked last year.

Two springtime frequently asked questions:

"How do I control aphids?" The MG response: 1. Squish them; 2. Blast them off with a hose; and 3. Use neem oil as directed on the bottle.

"Does rhubarb grow in New Mexico?" The MG response: Yes. Rhubarb is harvested in late April and May. It can be used for both savory and sweet recipes.

Later in the summer, two questions we often get asked:

"We've relocated from [fill in the blank, but always somewhere where everything grows easily]. What can we grow here?" To supplement the MGs' and interns' personal knowledge, we have several excellent reference books in our AAMG supplies (see list below), which we delve into regularly. Additionally, SFEMG's own Santa Fe Native Plant Project (SNaPP) has researched and compiled a terrific [guide to plants specifically for our area](#).

"When and how should we trim our bushes, specifically lilacs?" The MG response: Prune your spring-flowering bushes immediately after blooming. This will allow the shrub to develop flower buds for next year. Also, never prune more than one third of the living wood each year.

The two oddest questions (to me) from the past are:

"So, what's Bruce up to?" Unfortunately, I don't know the answer.

"Can I use fish sauce (typically used in Asian cooking) as fertilizer?" The MG response: No, fish sauce is not the same as fish emulsion. The sodium content would be a problem for your plants.

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Last year the AAMG sites fielded over 400 questions and serviced 700-plus people. Our site leaders and volunteers are excited to answer your questions this year. There is no question they can't either answer or suggest other resources for. We look forward to helping you with your garden questions this summer. Please come out and see us at one or more of our AAMG sites.

Some AAMG Reference Works

Garden Insects of North America, 2nd ed., by Whitney Cranshaw (Princeton, 2017)

Month-by-Month Gardening in New Mexico, by John Cretti (Cool Springs, 2008)

The New Sunset Western Garden Book, rev. ed. (Oxmoor House, 2012)

New Mexico Gardener's Guide, rev. ed., by Judith Phillips (Cool Springs, 2005)

The Vegetable Gardener's Bible, 2nd ed., by Edward C. Smith (Storey, 2010)

Weeds of the West, 9th ed., by Tom D. Whitson (Diane, 2006)

We Are Here to Help!

From April through September, Santa Fe Extension Master Gardeners are available to answer gardening questions on Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. at the SFEMG office (at the fairgrounds, 3229 Rodeo Road). These folks can answer your questions and share their experiences with what does and does not work in our environment. Drop by to chat about gardening challenges and to get suggestions.

Master Gardeners and interns also staff Ask a Master Gardener tables at various locations during the growing season. Here are May's AAMG events:

May 11	Payne's North & South	9 a.m.–noon
May 18	Newman's	9 a.m.–noon
May 18	Payne's North & South	9 a.m.–noon
May 24	Eldorado's Farmer Market	3:30–6:30 p.m.
May 25	Newman's	9 a.m.–noon
May 25	Payne's North & South	9 a.m.–noon
May 31	Eldorado's Farmer Market	3:30–6:30 p.m.

You can also pose your questions online by going to our [website](#) and clicking on the "Garden Questions?" tab; someone will do research and get back to you.



Santa Fe Phlox (*Phlox nana*)

by Janet Hirons

May is a great month to sing the praises of Santa Fe phlox because it's when we start to see this delightful early-season bloomer. This Western native wildflower varies in size, depending on weather conditions, but is never taller than 12 inches. The flower color ranges from purple to pink (rarely white or yellow), with small white eyes. Its botanical name is indicative of color and size: *Phlox* is Greek for *flame* or *blaze*, while *nana* means it's a dwarf. Chosen by Colorado State University as a 2013 Plant Select® winner, Santa Fe phlox is hardy, easy to grow, and rabbit-resistant, with fragrant flowers that attract bees and butterflies.



Photo by Joy Mandelbaum

The plant's native habitat is in canyons, on rocky slopes, and along roadsides. Natural propagation occurs when fertile, ripe seeds are released from seedpods via explosion. Nursery propagation of *Phlox nana* is difficult because explosive shatter of the seed pods happens extremely fast and the timing is hard to predict. Before David Salman, horticulturist and native plant expert, cracked the code on how to propagate *Phlox nana*, it was hard to find even at native plant nurseries. Fortunately Santa Fe phlox 'Perfect Pink,' a clone from a native plant selected for its large (1.5-inch) flower size and wide, deep pink petals, is now available for domestic gardens.

Planting and care: *Phlox nana* likes hot, dry areas. Combine it with plants that have similar needs, such as blackfoot daisy, agastache, and lavender. The bloom time for this herbaceous species may be extended by late summer rains or with irrigation.

Landscape use: Effective as a groundcover in rock gardens and in borders, it's also great for mass plantings.

Propagation: *Phlox nana* is difficult to propagate; plants are available from limited nurseries.

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Santa Fe Phlox (Phlox nana)—cont from page 8

Plant type: herbaceous perennial

Bloom time: late spring to early summer

Height x width: 5–8 inches tall x 12–15 inches wide

Sun: full sun

Soil: not picky but avoid heavy, wet soils

Water: low

USDA Zones: 4–8

References:

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center Plant Database, [Phlox nana](#)

Santa Fe Botanical Garden, [Propagating Santa Fe phlox](#)

Santa Fe Botanical Garden, [Santa Fe phlox](#)

Wildflowers of New Mexico, [Santa Fe Phlox](#)

Save Water! Plant Natives!

Join members of the Santa Fe Native Plant Project (SNaPP) to explore the start-up water conservation garden at the City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Office. Learn about how to take a piece of neglected land and turn it into a native plant landscape.

The cactus portion of the garden has been completed, and someone from the Cactus Rescue Project will be on hand to answer your questions on soil preparation and planting a cactus garden.

The Water Conservation Office will be open, so you'll also have an opportunity to meet their staff and ask questions about other ways to save water. There will be refreshments, handouts, and giveaways, plus raffle prizes. Join the fun while learning a new approach to gardening in Santa Fe.

Where: 801 W. San Mateo Rd. (down the alley near Midtown Bistro)

When: Saturday, May 18, 10–11 a.m.



Photo by Laurie McGrath

New & Noteworthy

Have you recently read a plant-related article, visited a horticultural website or blog, listened to podcast, or seen a nature show or documentary you think other gardeners would enjoy or find useful? Send a link to the newsletter (news.sfemg@gmail.com) and we'll include the information in the next issue. **Note that some of these sources have paywalls.**

Botany One, [Succulents will be winners and losers in a hotter climate](#), by Alun Salt

Desert Blooms (NMSU), [Managing Aphid Outbreaks on Fruit Trees \(and Other Plants\)](#), by Marissa Thompson

The Guardian, [Fire poppies: rare golden flowers rise from the ashes in California](#), by Katharine Gammon

Greek Reporter, [Oregano: The Quintessential Ancient Greek Herb](#), by Kerry Kolasa-Sikiaridi

Humane Gardener, [Let Plants Choose Their Destinies](#), by Nancy Lawson

New York Times, [The Hummingbird as Warrior: Evolution of a Fierce and Furious Beak](#), by James Gorman

New York Times, [Oliver Sacks: The Healing Power of Gardens](#) (excerpt from *Everything in Its Place*, published posthumously)

Santa Fe New Mexican, [For the Birds: Hummingbirds are back](#), by Anne Schmauss

Santa Fe New Mexican, [Rivers are running in Northern New Mexico](#), by Robert Nott

Science Daily, [With flower preferences, bees have a big gap between the sexes](#)

Smithsonian.com, [One of the "Rarest Butterflies Ever" May Have Been a Moth All Along](#), by Joshua Rapp Learn

The Spruce, [Iris Plant Profile](#), by Jamie McIntosh

United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, [The State of the World's Biodiversity for Food and Agriculture](#)

Free!

2019 Compost Clinics



Learn how to compost your yard and food waste from the Santa Fe Extension Master Gardener Association!

Saturday, April 13 1PM—3PM *Hands on*

Saturday, May 4 9AM—1PM *During the 14th Annual Garden Fair*

Saturday, June 15 9AM—11AM *Part of our Let's Grow Series*

Saturday, July 20 9AM—11AM *Hands on*

Saturday, August 17 9AM—11AM *Hands on*

Saturday, September 14 9AM—11AM *Hands on*

Saturday, October 19 9AM—11AM *Hands on*

CE hours available for Extension Master Gardeners

Bring hat, gloves, sturdy shoes, water & a pitch fork if you have one!

These hands-on clinics will teach proper techniques for building a thermal pile, turning, finishing, and screening compost. In addition there is a straw bale worm bin on site for vermicomposting.

All clinics will be held at the Master Gardener Demonstration Gardens at the SF County Fairgrounds: 3229 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe

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The Garden Journal Radio Show

Every Saturday

10–10:30 a.m.

Live from the Farmers Market



Tune in to KSFR 101.1 FM on Saturday mornings from 10 to 10:30 to listen to a lively, entertaining, and informative gardening show.

May 04 LIVE from the SFEMG Garden Fair! Host Christine Salem with a tour of the plant sale, junior garden corner, exhibitors, and more

May 11 Santa Fe Botanical Garden's Lindsay Taylor with artists from upcoming exhibition *Human Nature: Explorations in Bronze*, with works by Allan Houser, David Pearson, and Jonathan Hertzell

May 18 Santa Fe Farmers Market Institute's Carrie Core on Farms, Food, and Friends

May 25 Home Grown New Mexico's Jannine Cabossel, the Tomato Lady, with tips and techniques for next month's veggie garden; more info at [Giant Veggie Gardener](#)

Schedule subject to change. For updates and to listen to previous broadcasts, visit [this section](#) of our website.

And when someone asks what your garden looks like, don't feel the need to compare it to the artificial vision of suburbia that has gained a stranglehold on the cultural imagination. Channel your inner bee, ant, butterfly, raccoon or robin instead, and explain what your garden looks like through the eyes of the creatures making a life in the budding habitat that you've had the courage and the heart to protect.

—by Nancy Lawson (Humane Gardener blog, April 2019)

Let's Grow 2019



A **FREE** Monthly Education Series for the Home Gardener
from the Santa Fe Extension Master Gardener Association

Soils Testing Workshop (two-part class!)

Sun, Feb.24 & Sun, March 24, 1-4 pm each day

NM Wildlife Center, Espanola

Learn how to prepare paperwork and package soil samples for testing at CSU Soils Lab. Demonstrations on how to cheaply, easily and accurately determine your soil structure, how to use the soil triangle, and why knowing your soil is important. Return March 24 to learn how to interpret the results from the CSU Soil Lab, including amendments recommended to add to soils for certain conditions. Both sections taught by Sandy Powell and Steven Fellows.

Rose Pruning Clinic (hands-on!)

Saturday, April 13, 9 am - 12 pm

Harvey Cornell Rose Garden

Bring your handheld pruners, gloves and long sleeved clothing. Learn the correct way to prune roses from Master Gardeners Kim Martinez and Shelly Cooper and then practice in this historic garden at 1315 Galisteo Parkway. Instruction from 9 - 9:30 a.m. and hands-on pruning from 9:30 a.m - 12:00 p.m.

Native Bee Basics. Building Bee Houses and Selecting Plants that Attract Them

Saturday, April 27, 10 am - 12 pm

Randall Davey Audubon Center

Taught by Audubon Project leader Joy Mandelbaum. Santa Fe Native Plants Project (SNAPP) will showcase the native plants that attract bees. Sessions will be held in the Education Classroom of the Randall Davey Audubon Center at the end of Upper Canyon Road.

Cactus Propagation

Saturday, May 11, 9 am - 11 am

County Fairgrounds Cactus Garden

Learn to divide cactus and how to grow more. Tips on soil preparation, planting and maintenance. Drop-in demos every half hour. Taught by Jill Foster and Cullen Hallmark.

Saturday May 18, 2019, 10-11 am

Save Water! Plant Natives!

Santa Fe Water Conservation Office

Join Members of the Santa Fe Native Plant Project (SNaPP) to explore the new water conservation garden at the City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Office, 801 W. San Mateo. Handouts, free seeds, raffle prizes and updates on plans for the garden.

Basic Composting (hands-on!)

Saturday, June 15, 9 am - 11 am

County Fairgrounds Compost Area

Participate in a hands-on compost demonstration, and learn how to start a new compost pile and to maintain it as it develops. Worm and straw bale composting basics will be covered. Taught by Vicki Jacobson and Madeline Pryor.

Selecting Native Plants for Your Landscape

Saturday, June 22, 10 am - 12 pm

Randall Davey Audubon Center

Taught by Helena van Heinegen, Joy Mandelbaum, Susie Sonflieth, this will include a tour of native plants in the Audubon Gardens.

Historic Garden Restoration

Friday, July 26, 5 pm- 7 pm

El Zagan Garden at 545 Canyon Road

Tour the garden with Janet Hiron, Lissa Johnson, Nyla Rasmussen and Joan Dayton, during 4th Friday Art Walk on Canyon Road. Learn how Master Gardeners are restoring this garden and maintaining its historic layout and ambiance with plants appropriate for our current climate.

How to Plan a Fall Vegetable Garden with Cool Season Crops

Sunday, August 11, 12 pm - 2 pm

County Fairgrounds Vegetable Garden

Learn how to plan for fall gardening. Tips on extending your growing season and things to consider while the summer winds down. Taught by Jannine Cabossel, Bob Zimmerman, Linda Flemming, and Diane Pratt.

Herb Harvesting and Propagation

Saturday, August 24, 9 am - 11 am

County Fairgrounds Herb Garden

Discover herbs that prosper in our region and how to propagate them from cutting, as well as techniques for growing, pruning, harvesting and preserving herbs. Taught by Cherry Payne.

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2019 MASTER GARDENER HOURS



2019
Goal: 10,000 hours
Total to date: 2,200 hours

2,200
HOURS

JANUARY thru
MARCH

HOURS

APRIL thru
JUNE

HOURS

JULY thru
SEPTEMBER

HOURS

OCTOBER thru
DECEMBER

Membership Report First Quarter 2019

In this first part of the year, we've been doing a lot of clean up of the membership list. Please help us by checking out the current list in the Members Only section of our website; if you see anything that needs to be corrected, please email sfemg1@gmail.com, attention Membership Coordinator.

As of this writing, these are our membership numbers:

SFEMGs: 170, including 2 MG transfers

Interns, Track I: 46

Interns, Track II: 18

Hours logged on TIF as of March 31:

CE: 566.5

OS: 1,352.5

PE: 103

Happy spring, everyone!

Tammy McLellan

Membership Coordinator

Calendar of Events

All events are open to the public. Visit the [events calendar](#) on our website for a complete list of garden-related activities and classes with times, locations, and registration information.

Note: phc stands for “per hour of class time.”

DATES	EVENTS	CREDITS
May 01	Growing Tomatoes with the Tomato Lady, 5:30 p.m. (SFEMG)	2 CE
May 02	Design on a Drop, 3–5 p.m. (SFBG)	2 CE
May 04	Annual Garden Fair and Plant Sale, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. (SFEMG)	CE, OS, PE hours
May 04	How to Install Your Own Irrigation System, 2–4 p.m. (SFBG)	2 CE
May 05	How to Create a Drip Irrigation System, noon–2 p.m. (HGNM)	2 CE
May 07	How to Grow Roses in Santa Fe, 6:30–8 p.m. (SFRS)	1.5 CE
May 08	Summer Park Tree Inventory, 5:30–7:30 p.m. (FODP)	CE, OS, PE
May 09 & 11	Seasonal Wildflower Identification, 1 eve and 1 day (SFCC)	3 CE
May 11	Cactus Propagation, 9–11 a.m. (SFEMG)	2 CE
May 11	Colorful Container Gardening, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (SFBG)	2.5 CE
May 18	Save Water! Plant Natives! 10–11 a.m. (SFWC)	1 CE
May 18	Spring Bee Workshop, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (SFBG)	3 CE
May 18	Tree Identification Workshop, 10 a.m.–noon (SFEMG)	2 CE
May 18	Santa Fe Iris Show, entries from 7:30–9:30 a.m. (SFIS)	NA
May 25	Ecology of the Santa Fe Mountains, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (SFCC)	3 CE
May 25	Summer Park Tree Inventory, 10 a.m.–noon (FODP)	CE, OS, PE hours

HGNM: [Home Grown New Mexico](#); event at 835 E. Zia Rd.

SFBG: [Santa Fe Botanical Garden](#), 715 Camino Lejo, 505-471-9103

SFCC: [Santa Fe Community College](#), 6401 Richards Ave., 505-428-1676

SFEMG: [Santa Fe Extension Master Gardeners](#), County Fairgrounds, 3229 Rodeo Rd.

SFIR: Santa Fe Iris Society, Fran Day, 505-466-8569; event at DeVargas Center

FODP: Frank Ortiz Dog Park, Camino de las Crucitas & Buckman Rd.; events sponsored by [SFEMG](#)

SFRS: Santa Fe Rose Society; contact Cindy Hoffman (cindyhoffman@yahoo.com)

SFWC: Santa Fe Water Conservation Office, 801 W. San Mateo Rd.; event sponsored by [SFEMG](#)

Members Only: For a complete list of Master Gardener projects and to sign up, please visit Sign Up Genius, a link to which is in the [Members Only](#) section of the website. To log hours worked and to see year-to-date totals, visit Track It Forward in the same location.



Mission Statement:

Santa Fe Extension Master Gardeners is a non-profit volunteer organization whose mission is to learn, teach, and promote locally sustainable gardening through reliable, current research-based practices

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