

RESOURCES:

■ Getting to Know Your Woodland

Good references to consider as you get to know your woodland include the following booklets, available from Iowa State University Extension; visit the website at www.extension.iastate.edu/pubs/wi.htm (accessed April 29, 2004) or call 515-294-5247 for information.

- “Iowa’s Biological Communities” (IAN 201).
- “Iowa Woodlands” (IAN 202).
- “Iowa’s Spring Wildflowers” (IAN 301).
- “Iowa’s Summer and Fall Wildflowers” (IAN 302).
- “Iowa’s Trees” (IAN 304).
- “Iowa’s Shrubs and Vines” (IAN 307).
- “Iowa Habitat Loss and Disappearing Wildlife ” (IAN 101).
- ...and many more in the IAN series.
- “Managing Iowa Habitats: Restoring Iowa Woodlands” (PM 1351i Sept. 1999).

Also:

- *Wildflowers of Iowa Woodlands*, by Sylvan T. Runkel and Alvin F. Bull (out of print, available at local libraries or through interlibrary loan and at conservation offices).
- *Prairie, Forests, and Wetlands: The Restoration of Natural Landscape Communities in Iowa*, by Janette R. Thompson.
- *Nature’s Heartland*, by Bill Boon and Harlan Groe (out of print, available at local libraries or through interlibrary loan and perhaps local garden club members).

■ Recognizing and Controlling Invasive Plants

Most of the information presented in this booklet on invasive plant species and their control comes from public information sources, including the website of the Plant Conservation Alliance’s *Plant Working Group*; the website, www.invasive.org; as well as “Plants and Animals Threatening Our Natural Resources,” a poster distributed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Websites:

- Plant Conservation Alliance, Weeds Gone Wild, www.nps.gov/plants/alien (accessed April 29, 2004)
- A Joint Project of The Bugwood Network, USDA Forest Service, USDA APHIS PPQ and the University of Georgia, www.invasive.org (accessed April 29, 2004)
- Wildland Invasive Species Team (The Nature Conservancy) <http://tncweeds.ucdavis.edu/> (accessed April 29, 2004)
- Wisconsin DNR, Bureau of Endangered Resources, www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/er/invasive/index.htm (accessed April 29, 2004)
- Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin, www.ipaw.org (accessed April 29, 2004)

For additional pesticide use requirements, restrictions, or recommendations contact:

Iowa State University Extension -- County offices listed under the “Government-County” section of your local phone book.

■ Filling in the Gaps

Information on native species to plant and planting methods can be found in many of the sources identified above in “Getting to Know Your Woodlands.” *Prairies, Forests, and Wetlands* provides an extensive list of sources of seeds, plants, and trees. Of special note is Cascade Forestry Service, which offers a number of native, bare root tree and shrub seedlings, as does the IDNR State Forest Nursery. Missing from the source list is Ion Exchange in Harpers Ferry and Willowglen Nursery in Decorah, both of which offer native woodland wildflower and grass seeds and plants.

■ Limiting Damage from Livestock and Deer

- “Grazing Iowa’s Woodlands,” F-350 available from Iowa State University Extension.
- “Managing Iowa Wildlife: White-tailed Deer,” PM1302G available from Iowa State University Extension or go to www.extension.iastate.edu/pubs/wi.htm and click on *PM1302g* (accessed April 29, 2004).

Websites:

- www.iowadnr.com/wildlife/index.html and click on *wildlife damage management* (accessed April 29, 2004).
- <http://wildlifedamage.unl.edu> go to the menu and click on *A Key to Your Wildlife Damage*, scroll down to and click on *other mammals* and go to D-25, Deer; go back to menu and click on *Wildlife Publications from Your University* and scroll down to *Iowa State University, Kansas State University, and Missouri, University of* and others for more information on deer control (accessed April 29, 2004).
- Iowa Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Damage Management Biologists can provide assistance: In western Iowa, call 641-774-8563 (Chariton office) and in eastern Iowa, call 563-886-3767 (Tipton office).

■ Avoiding Further Fragmentation of Woodlands

- “*A Bird’s Eye View: A Guide to Managing and Protecting Your Land for Neotropical Migratory Birds in the Upper Mississippi River Blufflands*,” by Marlene Ehresman, Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation. Call 1-800-475-1846 or e-mail info@inhf.org to request a copy.

■ Permanently Protecting Your Woodland

- “*The Landowner’s Options: A Guide to the Voluntary Protection of Land in Iowa*,” Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation. Call 1-800-475-1846 to request a copy or see it online at www.inhf.org/forlandowners.htm

If you would like more information about voluntary land protection methods, contact the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation staff for a free, confidential consultation. INHF has helped hundreds of landowners achieve their conservation goals. We welcome the opportunity to personally visit with those interested in permanently protecting the land they own. Call 1-800-475-1846 or e-mail info@inhf.org

■ For Additional Information and Technical Support

- Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Forestry. Wallace State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319. District Foresters and other staff. Call 1-515-242-5966 or visit the website at www.iowadnr.com/forestry/ (accessed April 29, 2004).
- Iowa State University, Forestry Extension 253 Bessy Hall, Ames, Iowa, 50011 or call 515-294-1458 or visit the website at www.forestry.iastate.edu/ext/ext.html (accessed April 29, 2004).
- County Conservation Boards – Listed under the “Government-County” section of your local phone book.
- Iowa Native Plant Society www.iastate.edu/~herbarium/inps/inpshome.htm (accessed April 29, 2004).
- For information on timber production go to www.extension.iastate.edu/pubs/fo2.htm (accessed April 29, 2004) or call ISU Extension Distribution Center at 515-294-5247.

Also:

- *A Country So Full of Game: The Story of Wildlife in Iowa*, by James J. Dinsmore.
- *Landforms of Iowa*, by Jean C. Prior.