

Florida Friendly Landscaping for Residents

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Residential Horticulture Agent and Master Gardener Ashley Ellis provided guidance on how to landscape in Florida to ensure we are synchronizing with the environment, conserving water and friendly to wildlife while maintaining an attractive, colorful and diverse yard.

The Community Association sponsored event was held at the River Club on Monday, March 24th. Ashley is from the University of Florida, Sarasota County Extension Services on Clark Road. Click [here](#) for their website. There are nine Florida Friendly Principles to follow as on the right.

Florida-Friendly Landscaping™:

Nine Principles

1. Right plant, right place
2. Water efficiently
3. Fertilize appropriately
4. Mulch
5. Attract wildlife
6. Manage yard pests
7. Recycle
8. Reduce stormwater runoff
9. Protect the waterfront



Florida-Friendly Landscaping is a collection of practices involving design, installation, operation, and maintenance which are intended to reduce irrigation water use, protect water quality from over-use of fertilizer and pesticides, and reduce stormwater runoff.



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