

# Resources for lawn removal and lawn alternatives

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## WEBSITES

UC Marin Master Gardeners

- [How to replace a lawn](#) (includes sheet mulching video)
- [Walkable lawn alternatives](#) (click photos to learn more and see more photos)
- [How to choose plants](#)
- [How to save water in the garden](#)
- [California native plants: beauty and many environmental benefits](#)
- [Earth-Friendly Gardening – what it is and why it matters](#)
- [Sign up for the free quarterly Marin Master Gardener e-newsletter](#)
- [Contact the Marin Master Gardener Help Desk](#)
- [Sign up for a free Garden Walk](#)

Growing Kurapia

- [Video about how to grow and care for Kurapia](#)
- [UC Davis FAQ about Kurapia, including how it performs during drought](#)

Growing [UC Verde Buffalograss](#)

California Native Plant Society – [Grass removal](#)

Water districts – rebates and other lawn replacement incentives

- [Marin Municipal Water District](#)
- [North Marin Water District](#)

## VIDEOS

UC Marin Master Gardener [YouTube Channel](#)

Don't miss our new [Earth-friendly Gardening video](#)

New York Times:

- [The great American lawn: how the dream was manufactured](#)
- [How to fall out of love with your lawn](#)

## BOOKS

Tip: Choose books that focus on plants for California and/or Mediterranean climate.

*Reimagining the California Lawn* by Carol Bornstein, David Fross, and Bart O'Brien

*Lawn Gone: Low Maintenance, Sustainable, Attractive Alternatives For Your Yard* by Pam Penick  
*Gardening in Summer-Dry Climates* by Nora Harlow and Saxon Holt

*Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates of the San Francisco Bay Region, East Bay MUD*

*The Drought-Defying California Garden* by Greg Rubin and Lucy Warren

*The California Wildlife Habitat Garden* by Nancy Bauer

*Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach To Conservation That Starts In Your Yard* by Doug Tallamy