Retail Sources for Coastal NC Native Plants
Revised June, 2020 (Updated annually)

The following are not exclusively native plant nurseries, but are known to stock select North Carolina native plants that will thrive in the coastal region. It is suggested that consumers build a relationship with knowledgeable staff at a local business who may be able to assist in locating or growing specific plants. Having realistic expectations and a plant list with scientific / botanical names, will endear you to your nurseryman and ensure you get the plants you intended to purchase.

If straight or wild species are not available, it is recommended purchasing indigenous or native species “cultivars” rather than “hybrids.” Avoid selecting invasive plants. Lists of known and potential invasive plants are maintained by the NC Native Plant Society (https://ncwildflower.org/plant_galleries/invasives) and the NC Native Plant Council (http://nc-ipc.weebly.com/coastal-plain-invasive-plants.html).

Northeast Coast


Central Coast
Carolina Home & Garden, 4778 NC-24, Newport, NC 28570, (252) 393-9004, https://www.carolinahomegarden.com/

The Friendly Market, 205 Friendly Rd, Morehead City, NC 28557, (252) 515-4671 (Nursery), http://www.friendlymarketnc.com/nursery-products

Gary's Nursery, 680 Crump Farm Rd, New Bern, NC 28562, (252) 637-6858, http://www.garysnursery.com/ * Hours are seasonal so please call ahead. If you want to talk to someone about native palms, Gary is THE authority in ENC.

Grants Creek Nursery, 763 Grants Creek Rd, Jacksonville, NC 28546, (910) 353-0326, https://www.grantscreeknursery.com/


Pine Cone Home and Garden Center, 4136 M. L. King Blvd., New Bern, NC 252-631-5075 https://pineconehomeandgardencenter.com/

Redfearn's Nursery Inc., 1018 Cedar Point Blvd, Cedar Point, NC 28584, (252) 393-2882, Redfearns Nursery Inc - Home

Southeast Coast
Five Oaks Nursery, 2120 Old Winter Park Road, Wilmington, NC 28405, 910-762-8637, fiveoaksnursery.com

Going Native Gardens, Wilmington, Joyce Huguelet, 910-385-4236, huguelet@bellsouth.net or Mindy Nathanson, 910-790-2060, mpn0211@ec.rr.com

Grizz’s Nursery, Michael “Grizz” Gore, 910-547-4934, grizznursery15@gmail.com https://www.facebook.com/Grizzs-Nursery-483012915184193/


Lumber River Nursery, Jep Whitlock, 7000 Livingston Road, Gibson, NC 28343, 336-601-8787, gwhitlocknative@att.net

Shelton Herb Farm, Margaret Shelton, 340 Goodman Rd NE, Leland, NC 28451, (910) 253-5964, https://www.sheltonherbfarm.com/


Transplanted Gardens, 502 S. 16th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401, 910-763-7448 http://transplantedgarden.com/

Wild Bird and Garden, Jill Peleusis, 3501 Oleander Drive, Wilmington 28403, 910-343-600; also 105 E. Brown Street, Southport, NC 28460, 910-457-94553 http://www.wildbirdgardeninc.com/

**Piedmont**

Big Bloomers Flower Farm, 275 Pressly Foushee Rd, Sanford, NC 27330, (919) 776-6597. Before you visit, check the webpage for their plant lists. Go prepared with your walking shoes and a shopping list. http://www.bigbloomersflowerfarm.com/


Growing Wild Nursery, Siler City, NC, 27344. Visit their website to learn about ordering plants. https://www.growingwildnursery.com/pages/about

Plants Delight, 9241 Sauls Road, Raleigh, NC 27603. 919-772-4794, www.plantdelights.com

Taylor’s Nursery, 3705 New Bern Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27610. (919) 231-6161, www.taylorsnursery.com

**Online Retail Resources:**

Mail Order Natives, P. O. Box 9366, Lee, Florida 32059, 850-973-7371 https://www.mailordernatives.com/

Prairie Moon, 32115 Prairie Lane, Winona, MN 55987, 866-417-8156 https://www.prairiemoon.com/

Bare root, plugs and starter packs. Also offer a wide selection of seeds.

Woodlanders, Inc., 1128 Colleton Avenue, Aiken, SC 2980, 803-648-7522 info@woodlanders.net; https://www.woodlanders.net/
Annual Plant Events:
Native Plant Festival at New Hanover County Arboretum - Held annually in September. Scheduled for Saturday, September 19, 2020 from 10AM to 5PM. Check the Arboretum calendar to confirm the date and obtain details.

Check with local garden clubs and NC State Extension county offices for native plant sales. NC State Extension, County Offices (https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/local-county-center/) and Main Page: extension.ncsu.edu, (919) 515-2813

Additional Resources:
North Carolina Native Plant Society https://www.ncwildflower.org/
For Regional plant nurseries scroll to bottom of the page and find “For Gardening”

For a better understanding of the terms native, nativar, cultivar and hybrid: http://www.ourhabitatgarden.org/plants/cultivars.html

North Carolina State Beekeepers Association, https://www.ncbeekeepers.org/ Locate county beekeepers chapter to learn about beekeeping in your area.

Contributors to this list:
Co-Chairs, SE Coastal North Carolina Native Plant Society, Michael Abicht 31gneiss@gmail.com, 330-323-3696; Charley Winterbauer cewinterbauer39@gmail.com, 910-616-6843

Kevin Cassel, Landscape Technician, New Hanover County Arboretum

North Carolina Coastal Federation www.nccoast.org

Jeff Lewis, Horticultural Specialist, UNC Coastal Studies Institute (lewisje15@ecu.edu)

Kathy Mitchell, Horticulturist/Designer, Manteo, NC

Freda Pyron, Horticulturist, NC Aquariums at Pine Knoll Shores, freda.pyron@ncaquariums.com

Rachel Veal, Horticulturist, NC Aquariums at Roanoke Island, rachel.veal@ncaquariums.com