NC Coastal Native Plant Retail Sources
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Looking for native plants to use in your landscape? This resource, prepared by partners of the Coastal Landscapes Initiative, will help you find retail nurseries that carry North Carolina coastal native plants. If you can’t find the specific species you are looking for, ask the owner or manager if they can help you locate it and carry it in the future.

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

Elizabethan Gardens, 1411 National Park Drive, Manteo, NC 27954, 252-473-3234.
https://www.elizabethangardens.org/whats-in-bloom/plants-by-season

Central Garden Center & Nursery, 6285 N. Croatan Highway, The Bypass, MP .25, Kitty Hawk, 252-261-7195.
https://www.facebook.com/Central-Garden-Center-446045695456853

Nature’s Harmony, 8353 Shipyard Road, Manns Harbor, NC, 252-473-3556.
www.facebook.com/pages/Natures-Harmony/112056342192083

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

The Plant Stand at Garner Farms Inc., 173 Sam Garner Rd, Newport, NC 28570, (252) 241-1184, GarnersLandscaping-NC@gmail.com; garnerslandscaping.com

Gary’s Nursery, 680 Crump Farm Rd, New Bern, NC 28562, (252) 637-6858, 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/retail


New Bern Farm, Garden & Landscape Services, 1309 Old Cherry Point Rd, New Bern, NC 28560, (252) 638-1983,
https://www.facebook.com/newbernfarmandgarden

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,
www.facebook.com/redfearnsnursery
SOUTHEAST COAST

Five Oaks Nursery, 2120 Old Winter Park Road, Wilmington, NC 28405, 910-762-8637, http://fiveoaksnursery.com


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


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

Plant Delights, 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 RETAILERS

Mail Order Natives, P. O. Box 9366, Lee, Florida 32059, 850-973-7371 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/ (not exclusively native, but many native selections- plant descriptions list origin)

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/](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](http://www.ourhabitatgarden.org/plants/cultivars.html)

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

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