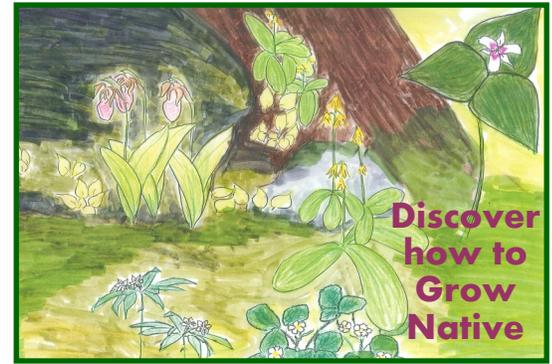


2015 Lake Wise Program and Leader Trainings

The Vermont Lake Wise Program offers trainings in Shoreland Lake Friendly Practices which include **landscaping with native plants** and **controlling stormwater** with structural techniques. These trainings provide technical and scientific information on how to live along a lakeshore without harming water quality or aquatic habitat, which are the luring features for lakeshore living and worth protecting. Living in harmony with the lake takes awareness and a little creativity and when applied saves property owners time and money.

Through the Lake Wise Program, **Lake Leaders** are trained in the practices that best protect the lake, shoreland habitat, and homeowner property. In turn, Lake Wise Leaders are encouraged to work with their lake community to conduct **Lake Wise Assessments for homeowners**. The beauty of the assessment work is that solutions, known as Shoreland Best Management Practices, are provided to the landowner. By following the BMPs, landowners are eligible to earn the **Lake Wise Award**. The Lake Wise Award stands for an exemplary, well managed lakeshore property and outstanding stewardship of the lake.



Lake Wise Leader Trainings

The four hour trainings are designed for all those interested in lakes, native plants, landscaping, and learning about bio-engineering practices that help protect water quality. They are designed for all backgrounds with no experience in natural resources necessary.

Participants Will:

- Learn and have fun while becoming “experts” in lake protection practices;
- Discover how and why to landscape with native plants;
- Recognize techniques to prevent erosion and control stormwater runoff

Two hours— Inside Lessons on Lake Friendly Practices

Two hours—Outside Site Assessment Practice

Trainings Dates

June 22nd —Lake Champlain Basin Program, Grand Isle with site visit to Isle La Motte; 9:00am -1:00pm

June 24th—North Woods Stewardship Center, East Charleston; 12:00pm-4:00pm (\$5.00 charge)

For questions or to organize a Lake Wise Leader Training in another location, contact Amy Picotte

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Lake Wise
Develop lake-friendly shorelands with natural landscaping **Best Management Practices**

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natural terraces replicated by Lake Wise terraced and infiltration steps.

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Leaf mulch stops erosion- Lake Wise mulched pathways and no-mow areas

