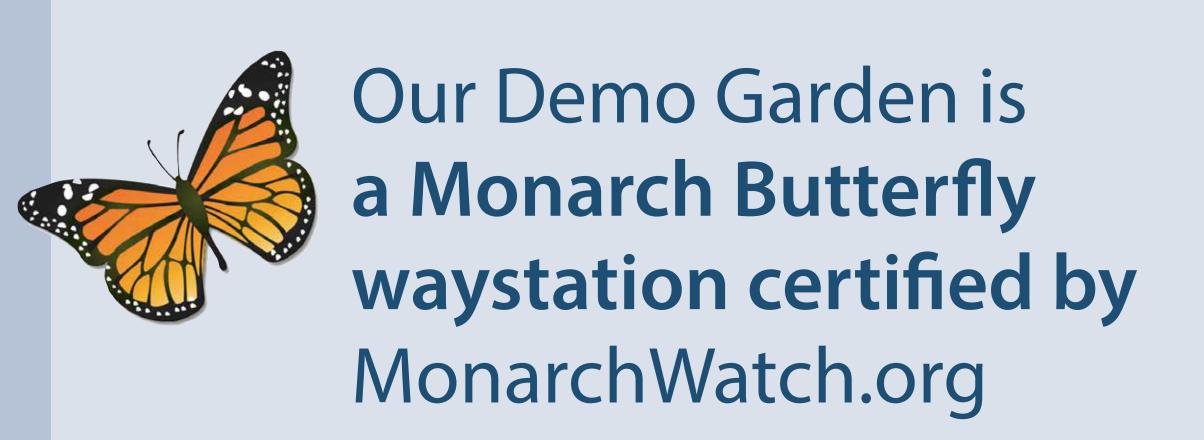
Entrance from rear of NID parking lot

Parking

UC Master Gardeners of Nevada County

NID offices



Map of garden

Foothill Mediterranean garden

- Landscaping for our Mediterranean climate—warm dry summers, cool wet winters
- Deer-resistant plants
- Hydrozoning—grouping plants with same water needs together
- Mulching to reduce water loss during hot summer months and suppress weeds
- Plants that attract beneficial insects—
 "beneficials" include insects that pollinate
 flowers as well as predators that prey upon
 pests such as aphids and tomato hornworms

Demonstration

In 1991, the Master Gardeners of Nevada County established this Demonstration Garden on 1.5 acres of land provided by the Nevada Irrigation District. What first began as an herb garden has grown to include a wide variety of distinct educational areas.

Master Gardeners—all volunteers—design, create and maintain this garden. We raise funds to support it with Spring and Fall plant sales, and we host workshops and other events here.

Our mission is to demonstrate research-based, sustainable gardening practices for home gardeners with an emphasis on plant communities best suited to the microclimates and soils found in the Sierra Nevada foothills. We support regional biodiversity, conservation of resources and composting to promote healthy soil life.

We hope you enjoy your visit and gather many ideas to take home to your garden!

Donations are tax deductible and greatly appreciated (please make checks payable to UC Regents).

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Evergreen edge

- Low-maintenance, deer-resistant and drought-tolerant evergreen plants
- Plantings suitable for borders or low hedges

Orchard

- Ladder-free fruit tree pruning and picking
- Summer pruning to control growth winter pruning to maximize fruit production
- Diversified crop with grafted branches and intensive 3-trees-in-1-hole planting technique
- Fruit trees sprayed with organic products and fed with compost only, no fertilizers
- Early to late bearing berry varieties to prolong harvest
- Sheet mulching to smother weeds/ grasses and conserve summer moisture
- See additional information on seasonal activities posted in the orchard!

Native meadow

- Native grasses, perennials and bulbs that attract pollinator insects and need little or no irrigation once established
- Hotel for nesting native bees

Cottage

Cottage garden

- Informal garden design showcases UC Davis All Stars
- Flowers for year-round color
- Practical lawn alternatives

Compost

- Rock garden

Pavilion

Workshops

Plant sales

Other events

 Deer-resistant plants requiring little to no water

Raised-bed gardens

- Vegetables
- Herbs
- Ornamentals
- Container gardening
- Variety of raised-bed designs

Fencing that excludes deer

Compost bin options

Drought-tolerant perennials and grasses

Waterwise gardening

Pergola/seating

Oak habitat/ California natives

- Areas bermed to improve drainage
- What to grow under native oaks
- Growing in unamended native soil