



*Your key to discovering the natural Missouri*

**Master Naturalist Volunteer Training  
Hi Lonesome Chapter: Benton and Pettis Counties and Surrounding Areas**

The Missouri Master Naturalist program mixes science with service, engaging Missourians in stewardship of the state's natural resources through science-based education and volunteer community service. The program is a partnership between the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and Missouri University Extension.

To get involved, adults 18 years and older must:

- Attend one of these required orientation sessions:
  - July 5, 6-8 p.m., MDC Discovery Room, State Fairgrounds, Sedalia
  - July 12, 6-8 p.m., St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cole Camp
- Register for the training course by August 2; registration fee is \$75
- Attend training classes on Thursday evenings, 6-9 p.m., September 6 – November 15, at the MDC Discovery Room on the state fairgrounds in Sedalia, and participate in three Saturday field trips.
- Upon completion of the training course, participants are required to contribute 40 hours of volunteer service and complete 8 hours of advanced training to become a certified Missouri Master Naturalist.
- Be an active member of the Hi Lonesome Master Naturalist Chapter.

Participants receive natural resource based training from resource experts on topics including:

- Ecological Concepts
- Forest Ecology
- Wildlife Management
- Aquatic Ecology
- Grasslands and Prairie
- Birds
- Caves and Karst.
- And much more!



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