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Purdue Extension educational series explores land stewardship for small-acre farms

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - [Purdue Extension](#) is offering a nine-week series of educational programs focusing on land stewardship for small-acre farms.

“Living on the Land: Stewardship for Small Acreages” will run Mondays, March 19-May 14, 6:30-9 p.m. each session, at Bridgeway Church, 210 Brian’s Place, Kendallville.

The series is designed for new farmers or anyone considering small-acreage farming. Presenters include Purdue Extension educators and specialists, as well as agricultural industry professionals. Topics are:

- * Assessing your physical and personal resources and developing farm goals.
- * Understanding the importance of soil types and how to care for them.
- * Exploring the differences between conventional, organic and sustainable farming systems.
- * Understanding the basics of selecting, operating, and maintaining farm equipment.
- * Learning how crops grow and how to control crop pests.
- * Knowing what it takes to choose the right crop enterprises to fit your small farm.
- * Exploring ways livestock can work for your farm.
- * Discovering the basics of livestock care and health.

The series concludes with a tour of a local small farm.

Cost is \$75 per person, or \$100 per couple for the same farm. The registration deadline is March 12. Access a flyer and registration form at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/whitley/pages/article.aspx?intItemID=28106>.

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