

**T**his series offers current and aspiring backyard fruit growers the opportunity to learn from the experts about ways to increase the success and satisfaction of quality fruit production in their home landscape.



#### Who should attend?

**This series should be of special interest to those with existing fruit plantings wishing to improve productivity and fruit quality as well as those just considering the addition of fruit to the home landscape.**

#### What is the goal of the series?

**This series will offer the home fruit grower a working knowledge of the modern tools and techniques that will improve their productivity of quality fruit. Participants will increase their satisfaction in their ability to produce fruit from their own land and labors that will contribute to the nutrition of their family.**

#### What are the expected outcomes?

**Participants will produce quality fruit of the type and quality that will be used by their family and friends to contribute to their diets and quality of life. Participants will build a network among themselves, current fruit growers, educators and specialists and this program will provide the resources to facilitate their learning well after the conclusion of the series.**

**Attend the nearest site...or  
join us remotely from home!**

#### HOST COUNTIES IN CENTRAL INDIANA

- Hamilton County—Amanda Baird, Noblesville, 317-776-0854, alocker@purdue.edu
  - Madison County—Beth Vansickle, Anderson, 765-641-9514, bleonhar@purdue.edu
  - Marion County—Steve Mayer, Indianapolis, 317-275-9290, mayersl@purdue.edu
- Some sites may close if not enough registrations are received by March 5, 2019. Please register by 3/5/19.

#### WEBINAR ORIGATION: PORTER COUNTY

- Porter County—Nikky Witkowski, Wanatah, 219-465-3555, nikky@purdue.edu (Central Time)

If you have questions or need more info about registration and remote viewing from home, contact:

Nikky Witkowski  
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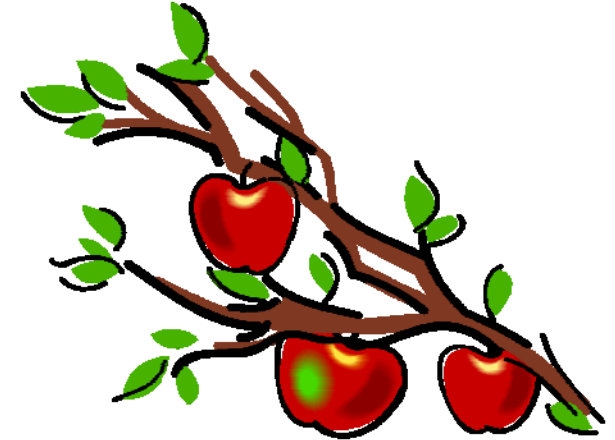
If you have questions about registration and viewing at the Marion County office, please contact:

Steve Mayer  
Purdue Extension-Marion County, 1202 E 38th St.  
Indiana State Fairgrounds, Discovery Hall, Suite 201  
Indianapolis, IN 46205  
317-275-9290 or MayerSL@purdue.edu

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## Backyard Fruit Production



**March 12, 19, & 26, April 2 & 9**

**6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Eastern  
(5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Central)**

**12 Sites across Indiana\***

*\*Remote viewing available*

**Purdue Extension  
Marion County**

**Local Viewing at:**

**1202 E 38th St, Discovery Hall  
Indianapolis, IN 46205**

**Registration information inside  
OR register & pay online at:  
<https://tinyurl.com/PurdueFruit2019>**

**In each session participants will have the opportunity to:**



- ✓ Learn about modern fruit production practices appropriate for the home landscape
- ✓ Learn from experts how to select varieties and kinds of fruit to meet your needs
- ✓ Network with others who are interested in the production of quality Indiana fruit
- ✓ Learn about how to manage pests that reduce quality and yield
- ✓ Learn about resources that are available to help you continue your study and to solve problems after the series is complete

**We hope these sessions will be of value to you!**



**2019 Backyard Fruit Production Series Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home County: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Additional Attendees:

Registration Fee:  
\$40 per person- for all sessions  
**OFF SITE VIEWING AVAILABLE!**  
**Mailing Deadline: February 26!**  
**Online Registration Due: March 5!**  
**<https://tinyurl.com/PurdueFruit2019>**

Number Attending:.....\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ X \$40/person/all sessions=.....\$  
*No FEE for second person from same home*

**Total Enclosed=.....\$**\_\_\_\_\_

**Location (Give County Name OR Remote Viewing):**

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Please Register Online:  
**<https://tinyurl.com/PurdueFruit2019>**  
*You may pay by credit card.*

*For Checks: Make them payable to*  
**Purdue University** and mail to:  
**Purdue Extension - The Education Store**  
**301 South 2nd Street**  
**Lafayette, IN 47901**



**More about 2019 Program Sessions**

Each session is from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time



**Session 1—March 12**

**Program Overview & “It All Begins with You”**



- ◆ Assessment of your goals and the realities of time and site limitations.
- ◆ General fruit culture...how is home production different? What are the realities of fruit culture in Indiana?
- ◆ Site selection, overview of the possibilities, soil preparation, sources of information, plants, pest control products, tools etc.
- ◆ Specialty varieties like Aronia and gooseberry

**Session 2—March 19**

**Small Fruit is BIG in the Landscape**

- ◆ Overview of possibilities and limitations.
- ◆ Special soil prep, planting, support, training, production calendars, maintenance schedules.
- ◆ Grapes, Strawberries, Brambles, Blueberries, and more!

**Session 3—March 26**

**Small Fruits-What to be Watching For**

- ◆ Delving into the common insect and disease issues you might see during a growing year.
- ◆ Safe use and application equipment for getting the job done.
- ◆ What new invaders you might want to be on the watch for and possible controls.



**Session 4—April 2**

**Tree Fruit-Branching out!**

- ◆ Overview of possibilities and limitations.
- ◆ Special soil prep, planting, support, training/pruning, production calendars, maintenance schedules.
- ◆ Variety and rootstock selection, fruit quality.
- ◆ Apples, Pears, Peaches, Cherries, and others?



**Session 5—April 9**

**Tree Fruits-What to be Watching For**

- ◆ Fruit pest identification & management.
- ◆ Delving into the common insects and diseases that afflict the tree fruits in our area and ways to combat or live with them.
- ◆ Is “organic” an option?

