

Logistical Resources for Gardening in Squamish

This list of resources was used in 2020 by private citizens conducting a habitat restoration project. It is by no means representative nor comprehensive and is intended to act as an example rather than a statement of quality.

Sourcing Native Plants

- Hawthorn Landscape Design consulted with us on our beautiful garden plan and sourced tons of dirt and native plants for us as well. They are awesome: <http://www.hawthornlandscape.ca>
- For a regional list of nurseries that regularly stock native plants in the lower mainland and surrounding areas, visit the Garryoak Ecosystem Recovery Team's page http://www.goert.ca/gardeners_restoration/buying_native_plants.php
- Native Plant Nurseries
 - BC Wild Heritage Plants – Chilliwack, BC - <http://www.bcwildheritage.com/>
 - Carleton Landscaping -- Burnaby, BC -- <https://carletonlandscaping.ca>
 - NATS Nursery – Langley, BC - <https://natsnursery.com/plant-search/#!/Full-Catalogue/c/5915156/offset=0&sort=normal>
 - Linnaea Nurseries – Langley, BC - <https://linnaeanurseries.com/>
- Native Plant Seeds
 - Saanich Native Plants - http://www.saanichnativeplants.com/Seeds_2.html
 - Ravensong seeds and Herbals - <http://ravensongherbals.com/herbs?category=PNW+Native+Plants>
 - Nature's Garden Seed Company - naturesgardenseed.com/shop.php?id=2
 - West Coast Seeds - <https://www.westcoastseeds.com/>

Sourcing Materials

- Wherever possible, materials can be sourced from discard from other community projects; basalt from a patio remodeling, dirt donated by a neighbor, plants that would otherwise have been removed for a construction project.

For those materials that cannot be sourced this way:

- Soil and mulch
 - Coast Aggregates - Landscape Depot – Squamish BC
- Black plastic for sod composting
 - Walmart or Home Depot

Sourcing Equipment (e.g. sod cutter, pressometer, etc.)

- Squamish Rental Network – landscaping and construction tool rentals - 1007B Industrial Way, Squamish, BC V8B 0H1
- Home Depot Tool Rentals - 39251 Discovery Way, Squamish, BC V8B 0M9

Local landscaping Bylaws

- Squamish outdoor water use guidelines: <https://squamish.ca/our-services/water-and-waste-water/water-system/outdoor-water-use-bylaw/>
- Squamish Bear-aware and Wildlife friendly gardening guidelines: <https://squamish.ca/our-services/wildlife/landscaping/>

- Squamish Unsightly Premises Bylaw - <https://squamish.civicweb.net/document/105824>
- BC Regulated Invasive Species List 2020 - https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/environment/plants-animals-and-ecosystems/invasive-species/guidance-resources/provincial_priority_is_list_final2019_march2_2020_posted_online.pdf

Sourcing Local Expertise

- We were fortunate to have had the opportunity to consult with a number of local experts who graciously gave their time and expertise to making our garden project happen.
- Hawthorn Landscaping graciously contributed their landscaping, garden design, and plant sourcing knowledge to the gardening plan for zones.
- The Squamish Men's Shed agreed to contribute their carpentry knowledge and skills to the construction of benches and signs.
- Our Squamish provided some plants and may contribute in the ongoing infrastructure of the garden.
- Emma Davy, a Quest University Tutor, lent her chemistry expertise to questions of long-term pesticide (neonicotinoid) risk to pollinators.
- Quest University Students from the February 2020 Rhetoric course gave their time and skills to design interactive signage for the garden.