

Native Medicinal Plant Research Garden (KU Field Station)

The Native Medicinal Plant Garden features plants of the Midwest and Great Plains Regions, which have been used traditionally for medicine, food, dye and other purposes. The garden is located 10 minutes northeast of downtown Lawrence, and is open to the public year-round, from dawn to dusk.

Garden features

The Demonstration Garden: Set on the southern portion of the garden site, this area showcases how native plants can be used for informal landscaping. More than 50 species, many signed, are found here, including medicinal, edible and dye plants.

The Rows: Several garden rows, each 50 feet long, highlight native species used for medicinal and other purposes.

KU Community Garden: Situated north of the Rows, provides a setting where KU students, faculty, and staff, along with community members, work together to grow vegetables, fruits and flowers.

Partners

Douglas County Extension Master Gardeners: The Master Gardeners maintain and update the garden, educate the public, and work with our interns and volunteers.

KU Bee Club: Several honey bee hives, west of the gardens, are maintained by the KU Bee Club.

KU Field Station: The garden site is part of the KU Field Station, which has more than 1,800 acres of research land, along with public trails, 3 miles north of the garden.

Directions

From downtown Lawrence, travel north across the bridge and follow Highway 59 to Highway 40. Turn east and travel 1.5 miles to East 1600 Road, then half a mile north to the garden. Please be careful at the intersection of Highway 40 and East 1600 Road.



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