

GUIDE TO PLANT SOCIETIES



Ever since the founding of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society in 1827, plant lovers in the U.S. have been getting together to exhibit their exceptional specimens and exchange seeds, cuttings, and information. Today, dozens of different groups across the country and in the Delaware Valley connect gardeners with deep interests in specific types of plants.

Plant societies offer their members the opportunities to explore their passions, learn about the latest developments, share their knowledge, and introduce new people to their favorite species. Many host workshops, tours, shows, and sales, where you can pick up plants that have been raised experts and ask about all the details of caring for them yourself. Although many plant societies are national organizations, you may be able to join local chapters. Here are some of the most popular groups.

AFRICAN VIOLETS

[African Violet Society](#)

BAMBOO

[American Bamboo Society](#)

BEGONIAS

[American Begonia Society](#)

[Delaware Valley Chapter, American Begonia Society](#)

BONSAI

[American Bonsai Society](#)

CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS

[Cactus and Succulent Society of America](#)

[Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society](#)

CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

[Mid-Atlantic Carnivorous Plant Society](#)

CONIFERS

[American Conifer Society](#)

HARDY PLANTS

[Hardy Plant Society: Mid-Atlantic Group](#)

HERBS

[Herb Society of America: Mid-Atlantic District](#)

IRISES

[American Iris Society](#)

NATIVE PLANTS

[Pennsylvania Native Plant Society](#)

[Native Plant Society of New Jersey](#)

ORCHIDS

[American Orchid Society](#)

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