Suggested Books and Resources on creating habitat for 
birds at home, school, & in your community

Audubon CT Schoolyard Habitat Curriculum Guide available for download: 
http://ct.audubon.org/schoolyard-habitat/education-resources

*The Wildlife Gardener’s Guide* by Janet Marinelli; Brooklyn Botanical 
Garden All-Region Guides

*Bringing Nature Home: How you Can Sustain Wildlife with Native 
Plants* by Douglass W. Tallamy

*Attracting Native Pollinators: Protecting North America’s Bees and 
Butterflies* by Mader, Shepher, Vaughan, Black and LeBuhn; Xerces 
Society Guide

*Greening School Grounds: Creating Habitats for Learning* edited by Tim 
Grant ad Gail Littlejohn; published via Green Teacher Magazine

*The Audubon Society Guide to Attracting Birds: Creating Natural 
Habitats for Properties Large and Small* by Stephen W. Kress

*The Bird Garden: A comprehensive guide to attracting birds to your 
backyard throughout the year* by Stephen W. Kress

*Gardening for Wildlife: How to Create a Beautiful Backyard Habitat for 
Birds, Butterflies and other Wildlife* by Craig Tufts and Peter Loewer; 
National Wildlife Federation

*Native Alternatives to Invasive Plants* by C. Colston Burrel, edited by 
Janet Marinelli and Bonnie Harper-Lore; Brooklyn Botanical Garden All-
Region Guides
The Butterfly Book: An Easy Guide to Butterfly Gardening, Identification and Behavior by Stokes

Bard Gardening Book: The Complete Guide to Creating a Bird-Friendly Habitat in your Backyard by Stokes

The Field Guide to Wildlife Habitats of the Eastern United States by Janine M. Benyus

Field Guide to Wildlife Habitats of Western United States by Janine M. Benyus


A Field Guide to the Ecology of Western Forests by John C. Kricher

Nature’s Events: A Notebook of the Unfolding Seasons by John Serrao (based in Pennsylvania)

Naturally Curious: A Photographic Field Guide and Month-by-Month Journey through the Fields, Woods, and Marshes of New England by Mary Holland

Beyond the Classroom: Exploration of School Ground and Backyard by Charles E. Roth, Thomas Wellnitz, Cletu Cervoni, Elizabeth Arms

Beyond Ecophobia: Reclaiming the Heart in Nature Education by David Sobel

Compost Stew: An A to Z Recipe for the Earth by Mary Mckenna Kiddals and Ashley Wolff

Into the Field Guide: A Walk in the Woods by Emily Laber-Warren

Last Child in the Woods by Richard Louv

Place-Based Education: Connecting Classrooms and Communities by David Sobel

Schoolyard- Enhanced Learning: Using the Outdoors as an Instructional Tool, K-8 by Herbert W. Broda

Ten-Minute Field Trips by H.R. Russell