



DECATUR

Garden G Seek

Greenspace Scavenger Hunt

Buzz around and explore eight Decatur community gardens, parks, and a woodland sanctuary.

Decatur garden keepers invite you to visit eight special places where people work hard to grow food and flowers, protect trees, and make the environment better.

About This Guide

Use this little "passport" to guide your visit to each garden. Hunt down the answers to all of the questions, make a beeline to the Decatur Visitors Center, 113 Clairemont Ave., and get a special prize. Bring your completed guide!

A Few Rules

Explore with your eyes but don't pluck or pinch the plants. Please be respectful of the gardens and all the hard work that makes them beautiful for the community.



The Gardens

1. Woodlands Garden

932 Scott Blvd.

2. Glenlake Park

1211 Church St.

3. Decatur Cemetery

299 Bell St.

4. Scott Park Community Garden

231 Sycamore St.

5. Parkwood Park

500 W. Parkwood Rd.

6. Agnes Scott College Campus

141 E. College Ave.

7. Oakhurst Community Garden

435 Oakview Rd.

8. Sugar Creek Community Garden

415 East Lake Dr.

Get buzzy now!



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Woodlands Garden

Preserving native woods

932 Scott Blvd. • woodlandsgarden.org

Woodlands is being restored with native plants that naturally thrive in this part of Georgia. Start at the kiosk near the gravel parking lot. Use our Student Guide, map and plant labels to help you explore and learn. Please stay on the trails.

Name three native plants you see:

Our champion trees are the largest of their species inside I-285. Name the three Woodlands champion trees:

What is the largest native tree on the property?

WOODLANDS



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Glenlake Park

A stream runs through it

1211 Church St.

A walking trail connects all areas of this 17-acre park, its forest, and the neighborhoods around. The streambed and its banks were renovated to make the waterway more natural.



Find and read the restoration project information sign near the Tennis Center.

What are "rock vanes" and what do they do?

Name an aquatic animal that lives in the stream:

What is planted on the stream bank?

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Decatur Cemetery

How Decatur grew

299 Bell St. • decaturga.com/cemetery

Decatur's largest green space has 58 acres, nearly the size of 45 football fields, and it's more than 190 years old. Remember: Each stone represents someone who was loved by somebody at some time.



Find a grave stone with your birthday on it. What year was that person born? What year were you born?

What is the oldest grave that you found today? (Look for the second date on a marker.)

Find a gravestone with the same name as a street or neighborhood around Decatur and write it here.

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Scott Park Community garden

231 Sycamore St.

The garden is behind the Decatur Recreation Center and adjacent to the Decatur Library.

The four acres of Scott Park are surrounded by plantings, with garden plots in the lower portion where community members grow flowers, vegetables, and herbs.



Take a photo or draw pictures of these:

Find a flower

A dashed rectangular box for drawing a flower.

Look for a vegetable
(remember, no picking!)

A dashed rectangular box for drawing a vegetable.

Sniff out an herb

A dashed rectangular box for drawing an herb.

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Parkwood Park

Land of giants

500 W. Parkwood Rd.

parkwoodgardenclub.com/trails

The park is between East and West Parkwood roads. Street parking is available.

Peavine Creek runs the length of this neighborhood park. Giant tulip trees, many of them more than 100 years old, grow beside the creek. The water in this creek runs all the way to the Gulf of Mexico!



**PARKWOOD
GARDEN CLUB**



Walk the trails and see if you can find the answers to these questions.

What kind of bird is on the Parkwood Park sign?

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Our champion tree is marked with a granite stone at its base. What kind of tree is it?

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How many trails are there in the park?
Did you walk them all?

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Agnes Scott College

A tree-filled sanctuary

141 E. College Ave.

arboretum.agnesscott.edu

*Park in the deck at S. McDonough Street
and College Avenue.*

There are 19 green space spots around the campus. To begin the tree walk, cross S. McDonough Street and head toward Main Hall to find a campus map on the Main Loop. Scan the QR codes with a smart phone to find the answers to these questions.



Which evergreen tree is one of the most common trees on campus? Make sure you feel its leathery leaves.

Name three good things that trees provide:

Look for the sculpture of a historic poet near the alumnae house garden and its crabapple trees. Who is it?



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Oakhurst Garden

A garden of goodies

435 Oakview Rd.

wyldecenter.org/oakhurst-garden

This garden started when Sally Wylde couldn't keep children from trampling her neighbor Louise Jackson's plants on their way home from school. Instead of calling the police, she invited the children to help in the garden so that they could learn to care about it. Now it has woodland paths, a pond, a cob house, community member garden plots, a mini-farm, hydrangea forest, chickens, bees, and a cat named Cardoon.

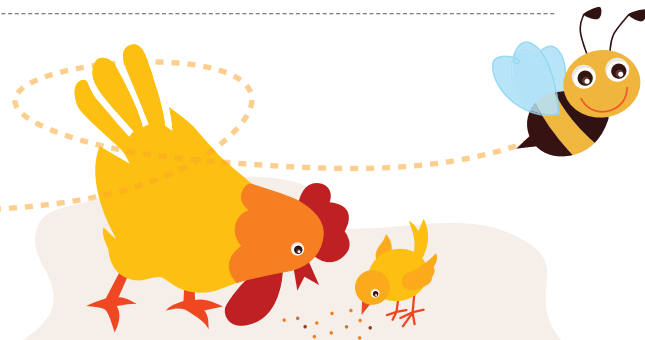


Look for three garden landmarks and answer these questions.

What material is the greenhouse made of?

How many white chickens are there in the chicken coop?

What is the name of the cob house?





Sugar Creek Garden

Be a-mazed

415 East Lake Dr.

wyldecenter.org/sugar-creek-garden

Located behind Oakhurst Presbyterian Church

The focus here is growing herbs, berry bushes, and fruit trees. The herbs are sold to restaurants and the local community. Sugar Creek is also home to plots that are rented by the local community. A highlight is the labyrinth. A labyrinth is a type of maze. Find the labyrinth in the garden.



How many steps does it take for you to get to the center of the labyrinth?

What is the labyrinth made of?

Done Exploring?

After you visit all eight greenspaces, take this guide to the Visitors Center and claim your prize!

Name:

What was your favorite greenspace?

Did you go somewhere new?



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