

Your yard is probably smarter than you think.

Do you...



- ◆ Compost your yard waste?
- ◆ Cut your grass high?
- ◆ Use a soil test when fertilizing?
- ◆ Use birdfeeders and bird houses?
- ◆ Have native plants in your yard?
- ◆ Protect your local creek by keeping yard chemicals out of the flow of runoff?

That's already 12 of the 36 inches needed for a certified Tennessee Smart Yard!



Scan for more ideas and how to certify your yard.



TENNESSEE SMART YARDS

Keeping Tennessee's land and water healthy, one yard at a time.

We call it a Smart Yard —

— a yard that is in balance with the local environment for the benefit of both people and our ecosystem.

Tennessee Smart Yards is an Extension-led program that guides Tennesseans on practices they can apply in their outdoor spaces to create healthier, more ecologically-sound landscapes and communities. Nine principles of stewardship serve as the foundation for the program and are explored in online modules and practical workshops taught by UT-TSU Extension and water resource professionals.





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