

Acorus Restoration: Go all-native this year 

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Gardening season is quickly approaching and if you're like many green thumbs, you're already planning what to plant and where. Before you settle on your plan and your plants, rethink your approach and go all-native. You'll still enjoy a beautiful



garden, and contribute to sustaining a healthier environment for wildlife that depend on native species. There are many native plant nurseries in Canada, but one which is a leader is [Acorus Restoration](#) in Walsingham, ON. The 90-acre farm, which specializes in Southern Ontario plants, has more than 350 native species for sale. All seeds are collected by certified seed collectors according to the standards of the Forest Gene Conservation Association. "Over the past 38 years I have seen the destruction and degradation of many natural habitats in the areas that I frequent," writes founder Paul Morris in his plant catalogue. "While this saddens me, I'm not one to sit by and wallow in despondency or apathy." Indeed, he's not. Morris and his team are doing their part to heal the planet and help keep native species top of mind as the responsible choice for gardens, landscaping, erosion control, school yard naturalizations, and wetlands. One great aspect of the company's website is an easy-to-use plant search engine based on habitat traits. It makes it easy to find the right plant.