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# Master Woodland Owner Program

It takes years to grow a healthy forest.  
We can teach you how to care for,  
cultivate, and plan for the future of yours.



The Master Woodland Owner program delivers a training curriculum for private woodland owners interested in becoming better stewards of their woods.

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## WHY JOIN MASTER WOODLAND OWNER?

Have you ever wondered how many trees are on your property, and what species you have? Do you know how to gauge the health of your woods, or know what healthy woods look like? Do you know which wildlife species depend on our woods, or how your woods are changing? Do you think about the future of your property—your hopes and dreams for your land?

Nothing is better for Minnesota's family forests than improving their health, productivity, and resilience through the adoption of sustainable forest management practices. The Master Woodland Owner program is a cohort-driven educational program in which you will learn to become a more confident steward of your land from University of Minnesota experts, natural resource professionals, and other family forest owners.

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

Any woodland owner or person responsible for managing woodlands in Minnesota or the Upper Midwest region is eligible to register. There is no minimum or maximum acreage requirement. Families and groups are welcome and encouraged to register multiple members—woodland management is often a shared responsibility!

## HOW WILL YOU BENEFIT?

Your property is special for many reasons. It may be a place where you spend time with family, hunt, or watch wildlife. Your investment in the Master Woodland Owner program will help you care for your land. You will come away with new options, new ideas, and develop specific actions that will provide a path to leaving your land in a better condition for future generations.

## HOW IS THE PROGRAM DELIVERED?

The Master Woodland Owner program consists of **online educational courses** covering a range of woodland stewardship topics, as well as meeting as a group at **in-person field tours and workshops**. Whether online or in person, you will be learning alongside a cohort of family forest owners just like you.

## MORE INFORMATION

### Master Woodland Owner

Up-to-date information on offerings from our landowner education program:  
[mwop.umn.edu](http://mwop.umn.edu)

### MyMinnesotaWoods

Your one-stop shop for woodland stewardship topics, advice, and events:  
[myminnesotawoods.umn.edu](http://myminnesotawoods.umn.edu)

### UMN Extension Forestry

Expert-based information on trees and woodlands in Minnesota:  
[extension.umn.edu/forestry](http://extension.umn.edu/forestry)

## CURRICULUM AND OVERVIEW

After completing the Master Woodland Owner program, you will be able to:

- Consider the different reasons and ways to manage your woods
- Identify common trees and invasive plants
- Map your property and conduct a woodland inventory
- Find and talk with natural resources professionals
- Select appropriate trees and know how to plant them
- Develop and refine goals for your property
- Discuss financial considerations of land ownership (including tax incentives and estate planning) with family and financial/tax advisors

## REGISTRATION

We are committed to providing quality landowner education that is affordable and attainable for family forest owners.

Additional members of the same household or co-owners of the same property are eligible to receive a discounted registration.

Registration dates are rolling. See our website at [mwop.umn.edu](http://mwop.umn.edu) or contact us for details on current cohorts and registration costs.