

What Participants Said:

“Excellent blend of biological material, wildlife concerns, tree ID and forest ecosystem information, reality check on human needs/wants, legal structure and many innuendos of forest ownership that I never considered when buying this property!! Wow! Deep and broad material, great organization and thematic thread running through course helped it to be understandable and feel relevant to my personal forest tract.”
2022 participant

“I liked that it was self paced and could be consumed either in small doses or large gulps.” 2021 participant

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2025 ONLINE WOODLAND OPTIONS FOR LANDOWNERS



April 7 - June 9
Online
\$55/Family

THIS COURSE IS FOR LANDOWNERS OF ANY ACREAGE WHO WANT TO GAIN AN INTRODUCTORY LEVEL UNDERSTANDING OF BASIC WOODLAND MANAGEMENT AND BECOME BETTER STEWARDS OF THEIR WOODLANDS.

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COURSE DETAILS

Where: Online, in the comfort of your own home.

When: Ten-week, self-paced course begins Monday, April 7 and ends June 9th.

Cost: \$55 per household

Computer Requirements: Participants will need a computer, web browser, Internet connection, and email address. Access to a printer is desirable. In addition, participants should download the most current versions of Adobe Acrobat Reader DC, RealPlayer™, and Google Earth Pro, all available for free online.

Materials:

All students will receive 5 books:

- *Common Forest Trees of Virginia*
- *Native Shrubs and Woody Vines of Virginia*
- *American Forests: A History of Resiliency and Recovery*
- *Plant Invaders of Mid-Atlantic Natural Areas*
- *Welcome to the Woods: A Guide for New Virginia Woodland Owners*

As well as access to an online Tree ID tutorial.

Only 1 set of print materials will be sent to each participating family; however, each family member may have their own account to access the online materials.

Everyone who completes the course will receive a copy of the award-winning book: *Legacy Planning: A Guide for Virginia Landowners*

No additional text or materials are needed to complete the basic requirements. Optional advanced assignments, which you are strongly encouraged to complete, require a dendrology field guide, camera, compass with adjustable declination setting, Google Earth Pro, and the Web Soil Survey. Information on how to obtain these resources is in the Announcements section of the course.

To see the full syllabus:

An optional end-of-semester field trip will allow students to hone their new skills. The 2025 field trip will be held in a central Virginia location in late spring.

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Please register by Friday, March 14

Register and pay on-line:

Visit <https://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu>

Or send this form and payment to:

Kathie Hollandsworth
228 Cheatham Hall (0324)

Blacksburg, VA 24061

Make checks payable to
Virginia Tech Treasurer

Please print clearly

Name(s) of attendee(s):

email(s): _____

Street/P.O. _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Are you a woodland owner?

Yes _____ No _____

Land County _____

Total Acres _____ Wooded Acres _____

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