Beyond BOW

BEARTOOTH BOTANY

Saturday July 14, 2012
8:30am - 4pm

Beartooth Plateau

Custer National forest

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Sponsored by

MNPS
Montana Native Plant Society

The BOW program is active in 40 states and Canada, offering weekend workshops to women of all ages who want to acquire or improve their outdoor skills in an enormous range of areas including fishing, shooting, archery, canoeing, plant identification, Dutch oven cookery, journaling and more.

Beyond BOW workshops are designed especially for women who want more in-depth exploration of a particular skill or topic.

Beartooth Botany

The Beartooth Plateau (actually an interconnected "archipelago" of high-elevation land) contains one of the largest contiguous alpine areas in the lower 48 states.

Differences in slope, elevation, rock type, and moisture availability support a diverse array of vegetation in a variety of habitats. The Beartooth Highway, US 212 between Red Lodge and Cooke City, gives easy access to this "living laboratory."

This course is designed for those with little or no formal experience in plant identification. Our class will be based out of Red Lodge starting at 8:30 a.m. We will spend Saturday in the high country, and although we won't be hiking far or fast, this class is rated as MODERATEY STRENUOUS due to the 9,500 to 10,500 foot elevation.

On Friday, July 13th, a FREE evening program will go over basic plant terminology, parts of the plant, helpful field guides and other publications, and more. Details of this "brush-up" session will be sent to you following receipt of your registration.

Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State_____Zip_____

Daytime Phone_____

Evening Phone _____

E-mail _____

Year of Birth _____

[ ] Enclosed is my check for $25.00

I attest that I am at least 18 years old. I acknowledge that my participation in the Beyond BOW workshop sponsored by Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Montana Native Plant Society, and Custer National Forest involves some risk of personal injury. The risk of personal injury may come from poor weather, accidents, natural disasters or other hazards created by my own actions or the actions of others, over which FWP, MNPS, and the USDA Forest Service have no control. By signing below, I accept responsibility for all personal injuries that may result from my participation, and I agree to hold the State of Montana; FWP, MNPS, and the USDA Forest Service and their employees or representatives harmless from and against any claim. I also understand that photos/video may be taken for promotion of the program.

Signature_____

Date_____

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
PO Box 200701
Helena, MT 59620

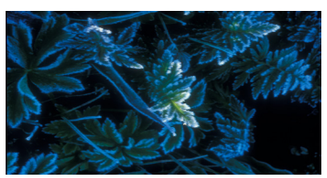
Make checks payable to: FWP

Mail this registration form and your check for $25.00 to:
FWP/BOW
2300 Lake Elmo Drive
Billings, Montana 59105

☐ **I plan to attend the free Friday evening program**

Requirements to Participate

- You must be at least 18 year of age to participate.
- Bring a lunch, snacks, and water/juice. Lunch is planned for a pullout area near the Rock Creek Vista Point where there are pit toilets (but no running water) available.
- Dress for the ever-changing weather! It may be 80 degrees in Red Lodge but chances are it will be cool enough for a jacket and long pants up high. Afternoon rain showers are often an occurrence . . . be prepared.
- Good boots are a MUST! There are no trails and most of the places we'll be exploring will involve rocky scrambles or marshy areas. A walking stick or ski pole can be very helpful.
- Handouts will provide space for taking notes, but you may find a small note-book helpful also. Feel free to bring binocul ars, cameras, etc.
- NO pets, please.

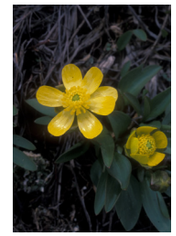


About Your Instructor

Jan Nixon (Bozeman) has taught Beginning and Intermediate Plant ID classes for the BOW program since 1998. She also leads botany and ecology field trips for the Montana Native Plant Society, Museum of the Rockies, and other organizations.

Cancellation Policy

- The deadline to cancel is June 29th.
- If you cancel on or before this date you will receive a full refund.
- After that date, a $5 processing fee will be deducted from your refund.
- Registrants who do not attend and do not cancel by July 6th will be assessed the full fee.



Questions?

Contact Dianne Stiff at 406-247-2940, or Liz Lodman 406-444-9940

Persons successfully registered for the class will receive a confirmation letter with directions for the meeting point on Saturday, and more details about the optional free Friday night "brush-up" session.

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2012 Workshops

Birding in Montana — June 22-24, 2012
Ninepipe area near Charlo, MT
Discover the joy of bird watching. Learn the basics of bird identification through field marks, sounds and habitat. This class will view birds in different habitats including wetlands and forest.

Outdoors Woman in Plains — July 21, 2012
Sanders County Pavilion, Plains, MT
Register for this 1-day workshop that will introduce you to a variety of outdoor topics which include Dutch oven cooking, kayaking, fly fishing, trap shooting, hand gun safety, Montana container gardening, archery and more.

Summer BOW Workshop — August 17-19, 2012
Camp near Bigfork, MT
Bring a friend and learn a new activity at BOW's big summer workshop. Participants choose 4 classes from a variety of topics including basic gun handling, rifle, shotgun, fishing, map & compass, canoeing, plant identification, outdoor survival, and more.