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**INVASIVE SPECIES TRAINING FOR THE LANDOWNER
OFFERED AT DEEP CUT GARDENS**

MIDDLETOWN — Are you a home gardener looking to stop non-native invasive plants from taking over the landscape? Then head over to Monmouth County Park System's Deep Cut Gardens, Red Hill Road, Middletown, for an *Invasive Species Training for the Landowner* workshop. Held from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, April 11, this workshop is presented by the New Jersey Audubon Society in partnership with the New Jersey Invasive Species Strike Team. The workshop covers the impact of invasive plants, free tools that help identify and control invasive plants, and native alternatives to common non-native invasive plants. It will include discussion on the threat that non-native species pose to native flora and fauna by out-competing native species, reducing diversity, and offering a less suitable food source. To register for this free workshop, please call Deep Cut Gardens at 732-671-6050. For more information on Deep Cut Gardens or the Monmouth County Park System, please visit www.monmouthcountyparks.com or call 732-842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks and Recreation agency.

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