

## Robin McKenzie

Robin is a certified Master Gardener, landscape designer, and founder of Rockbird Gardens. Her company specializes in replacing lawns with beautiful, native-based gardens, creating sanctuaries for people and wildlife.

Originally from San Francisco, Robin earned her BA from the University of Colorado, Boulder. Life then took her overseas for many years, first to France, where her love of fine food and

cooking was refined, and then to Jakarta, Indonesia. She first encountered the Rogue Valley during a springtime visit when she fell head-over-heels in love with the people, the mountains and lakes, and the native flora and fauna. Robin moved to the Rogue Valley in 2006 and began gardening immediately. She earned her Master Gardener certification in 2010. While continuing to work full time, she found herself spending more and more time helping friends and neighbors beautify their environments and save water while creating a safe place for pets and wildlife. In 2014, she transitioned from a 30-year career in gourmet food and the culinary arts to working full time with sustainable landscape design.

When she's not beautifying people's gardens, Robin is an avid birder, an enthusiastic amateur photographer and a full-time kitty mom.

## Program Description

## HOW TO PLAN, PLANT, AND GROW A BUTTERFLY GARDEN & HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MONARCH WATCH PROGRAM

In this class Robin will take you step-by-step through the process of growing a beautiful garden to attract butterflies, honey bees, birds and other pollinators, based on essentials of the Monarch Watch program. She will also outline the process for becoming a Certified Monarch Way Station and a Certified Wildlife Habitat. The class is suitable for both home gardeners and educators.



