Find Information on Arboriculture @ your library

Step 1: Background information
You may need to look up background information or definitions of terms to help you understand your topic better. For other background sources, search the Library catalogue.

Internet Directory for Botany
http://www.ou.edu/cas/botany-micro/idb-alpha/botany.html
An alphabetical list of online resources on botanical images and information.

Field Guide to Trees
Descriptions and images of trees divided into conifers, simple or compound leaves and palms.

Step 2: DVDs, Videos and Movies

Planting techniques: trees and shrubs
Videorecording: 635.9 Pla
Ridgetown

Avoidance of construction damage to trees on wooded lots
Videorecording: 635.977 Avo
Ridgetown

Evaluating trees for hazards
Videorecording 635.977 Eva
Ridgetown

Step 3: Books

Tree identification and selection
582.16 Tre
Ridgetown

Diagnosis and disorders
634.96 Dia
Ridgetown

The art and science of practical rigging
635.977 Don
Ridgetown

Arborists’ certification study guide
635.977 Arb
Ridgetown

Tree climbers’ guide
634.921 Lil 2005
Ridgetown

Arboriculture: integrated management of landscape trees, shrubs, and vines
635.97 Har 2004
Ridgetown
Step 4 : Images

Hort.net
http://www.hort.net/gallery/
A gallery of images online including 4,135 images and 2,028 plants (as of July 1, 2007).

Step 5 : Magazines and Scientific Articles

To find articles and current research about your topic, use a journal index online at the Guelph library website (see link below). A journal index is similar to the library catalogue. But instead of searching our collection of books in the catalogue, it searches a database where articles from magazines and journals are collected. Look for the ‘Get It’ button or full-text link to read articles online.

Start Here: Journal indexes – select Biology & Life Sciences
http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/resources/journal_articles/

- **Agricola**: a comprehensive index to agricultural and life sciences information. The primary focus is on the United States but there is international information as well.

- **Biological Sciences**: an interdisciplinary database offering abstracts and citations to a wide range of research in biomedicine, biotechnology, zoology and ecology, and some aspects of agriculture and veterinary science.

- **CABDirect**: provides international literature in agriculture, forestry, and allied disciplines, including: animal and crop husbandry, animal and plant breeding, plant protection, genetics, forestry engineering, economics, veterinary medicine, human nutrition and rural development.

- **Plant Science**: contains citations and abstracts of scientific literature on plant science, focussing on all plant scientific aspects, especially pathology, symbiosis, biochemistry, genetics, biotechnology, techniques and environmental biology.

Journals & Magazines

- American Nurseryman
- Chronica Horticulturae
- E-journals.org
- HortScience
- HortTechnology
- Ontario Arborist
Step 6: Searching the Internet
The term "public websites" refers to sites that can be freely reached through a search engine. Many of the links given above lead you to "invisible web sites" that the library pays for, such as journal databases. Typically, if your professor tells you not to use web sites on an assignment, they are referring to public web sites.
When searching, remember to try alternate words for your topic.

Plants Database
An American government resource providing standardized information about the vascular plants, mosses, liverworts, hornworts, and lichens of the U.S. and its territories.

Threatened Plants of the World
The International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources lists threatened species including plants and has a variety of resources on statistics.

Remember the difference reading a webpage online:
Who wrote it? Why? What is it for?

Learning more about evaluation of websites:
http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/assistance/tutorials/evaluating_web_sites/

Step 7: Associations, Societies and Departments

European Arboricultural Council (EAC)

International Society of Arboriculture (International Office)

International Society of Arboriculture (Ontario Chapter)

Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA) (formerly National Arborist Association)

Step 8: Help for your assignments

Don’t forget Peer Helpers and the Academic Skills Consultant @ your library!

Refworks http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/research/create_bibliographies/
Use this to organize the sites and sources you need to create your references.
Citation Machine  [http://citationmachine.net/](http://citationmachine.net/)
This website is open to the public. It can organize your sources while you search.

APA Style Guide  [http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/assistance/writing_services/undergraduates/citations_&_referencing/APA.cfm](http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/assistance/writing_services/undergraduates/citations_&_referencing/APA.cfm)
Use this guide to correctly cite your sources in written work – essays, assignments, etc.

### Quick Classification Guide

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