

Plant-Based Connection Economy 20 Tips

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How to invest in your inner + outer ecosystem

- 1. Grow your own sprouts on your counter.
- Plant a few edible plants in containers or in the earth. Learn how to tend them well.
- 3. Gather seeds. Plant seeds. Share seeds.
- 4. Sit by a tree and meditate.
- 5. Keep a "plants I eat" list on your fridge. Expand your list.
- 6. Listen to plants. Be curious about what they need from you.
- 7. Learn 2 invasive plants which are edible in your yard or ecosystem.
- Blend tough invasive plants (unsprayed and grown in chem-free soil) like thistle into a green drink with apples, lemon and water.
- 9. Get a hold of a field guide for your bathroom or coffee table reading.
- 10. Recover chemically polluted soil from weed killer. Add worm castings.
- 11. Notice in the wild areas near you what plants grow next to each other. Use your senses to get to know how that plant makes a living.

- 12. Once you know how that plant thrives, plant it in your own yard and tend to it's adaptation.
- 13. Follow the patterns of water in your yard or building. Watch how is moves. Can you retain it longer on site and use it? Collect rainwater.
- 14. Support local food growers. Know their goals and spread the word.
- 15. Hire a local botanist to take you and friends and family off the beaten path on a wild plants walk. Ask them to also point out the edible invasive plants.
- 16. Ask a local permaculture specialist to help you better use your yard. If you have friends who are interested, you might turn it into a workshop.
- 17. Make your own teas, tinctures, + salves. Become your own witch. Dry greens for your winter green drinks.
- 18. Have work parties of trade with a friend to help each other with your yards.
- 19. Help children learn about seeds, growing food and composting.
- 20. Let your connection with nature become your daily "entertainment".