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**Want to a firsthand look at NW Florida's coastal environments? Join the Florida Master Naturalist Program for a hands-on learning experience this fall!**

## Florida Master Naturalist Program Coastal Systems Training

Join Escambia and Santa Rosa County Extension agents to learn more about Florida's natural resources! The Florida Master Naturalist Program is a hands-on learning experience for adults. The FMNP both informs and prepares individuals to share information about Florida's natural world and environmental history. Classes will be held most Wednesdays beginning September 18 through November 20 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The \$225 registration fee includes field trips, classroom training and materials.

The Coastal Systems Module includes classroom instruction, field trips, and practical interpretive experiences related to the general ecology, habitats, vegetation types, wildlife, and conservation issues of coastal systems in Florida. Field trips will include: the Navarre Beach Marine Science Station, Pensacola Beach, Shoreline Park South, Project Greenshores and the Dauphin Island Sea Lab.

**Registration:** <http://www.masternaturalist.ifas.ufl.edu/> and click on current course offerings.

**Registration will close September 11.**

**Target Audience:** Anyone who is interested in learning more about Florida's environment!

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