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**UF/IFAS MARION COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE TO HOLD
“GARDENING FOR DUMMIES” COURSE**

Immediate Release

- WHO:** UF/IFAS Marion County Extension Service
- WHAT:** Five-session course on gardening basics
- WHEN:** Feb. 6 – 10, 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Register by Jan. 23
- WHERE:** Marion County Extension Service auditorium (2232 NE Jacksonville Road, Ocala)
- WHY:** If you think you were born without a green thumb but turn pea green with envy when you see your neighbors' successful gardens, UF/IFAS Marion County Extension Service has a class for you.

This five-session Gardening for Dummies course starts at the root of successful gardening with lessons on creating nutrient-rich soil for your future plants. Next, learn to sow successful seeds, grow vegetables and keep your lawn green. Subsequent sessions cover how to beat insects, weeds and plant diseases in the battle for your garden. Lastly, learn to use micro-irrigation to efficiently keep your plants healthy and save you both water and money.

The class fee of \$25 per person or \$40 per couple covers the class materials. For more information, call 352-671-8400 or visit www.marioncountyfl.org/extensionservice.htm.

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