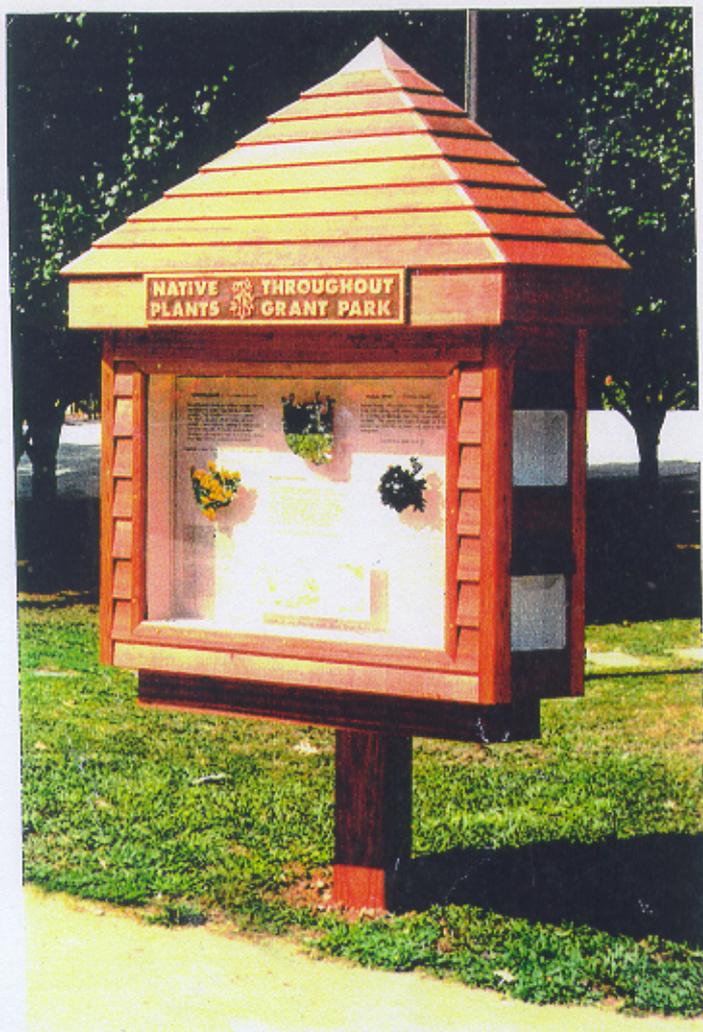


KIOSK AT GRANT PARK



Weatherproof brochure holders offer copies of the Native Plant Walking Tour Guide.



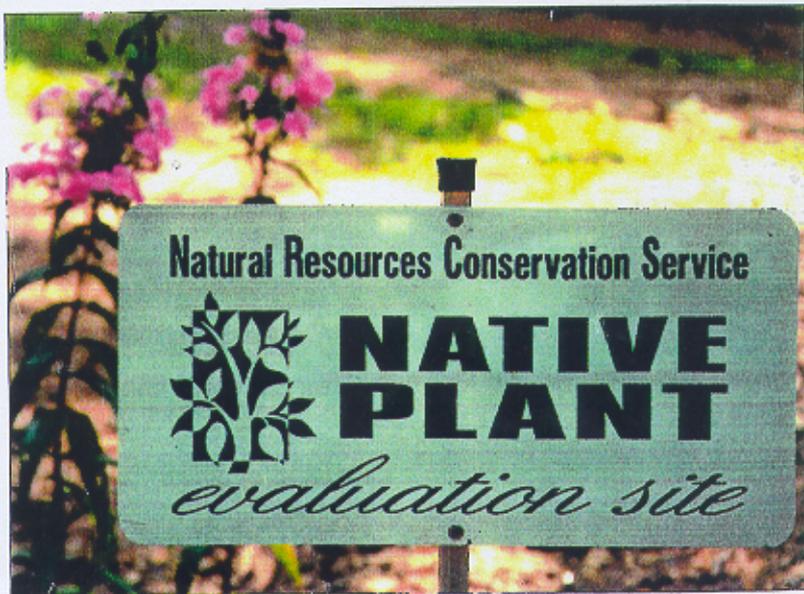
Three unique species of native plants are featured on each panel of the kiosk, along with a locator map of Grant Park and general information about using native plants in urban settings.



Native plant beds are marked throughout Grant Park.

Grant Park in downtown Atlanta is a showcase site for the NRCS Native Plant Program. About 30 varieties of native plants have been introduced throughout the park and will be monitored by NRCS plant specialists for a five-year period. The natives are helping prevent erosion, providing food and shelter for wildlife, rebuilding depleted soils, and restoring the natural beauty of Grant Park.

Because hundreds of thousands of Georgians visit Grant Park each year to relax, recreate, or to take in the Atlanta Zoo or the Civil War museum; the park offers an ideal setting for public education. This kiosk was developed and installed in the summer of 1996 as a community outreach project. The kiosk is located between the entrances to the zoo and the museum. It offers information about the native plants growing in Grant Park, including maps and brochures that lead visitors on a walking tour. The kiosk features nine of the natives that can be found in the park's 28 native plant beds and encourages the public to explore the benefits native plants offer in urban environments.



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