Leave the Leaves



Before you head outside to rake leaves this fall (or if you hire a landscaper to do your fall cleanup), the Cape May Point Environmental Commission asks that you thoughtfully consider the information contained in the attached article by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF). The benefits to wildlife in "leaving the leaves," are substantial.

Please note that you are not being asked to leave fallen leaves on grassy areas of your property. Rather, the NWF outlines how to leave leaves under trees and in your garden beds instead of bagging up fallen leaves and sending them to landfills.

Thank you for considering these NWF suggestions.

https://www.nwf.org/-/media/Documents/PDFs/Garden-for-Wildlife/Tip-Sheets/How-to-Leave-the-Leaves.pdf

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