

Native Plant List

Attracting Pollinators to Your Garden

Plant	Comments	Height	Soil	Water Requirement	Light Requirement	Bloom Time	Bloom Color	Attracts
Amsonia Bluestar <i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i>		2'-3'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium-Moist	Full to Partial Sun	May-Jun	Blue	Pollinators
Aster <i>Aster ericoides</i> <i>Aster laevis</i> <i>Aster azureus</i>	Host plant for: Pearl Crescent, Silvery Checkerspot, Painted Lady	1'-3' 2'-4' 2'-3'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full Sun Full Sun Full-Partial Sun	Aug-Oct	White Purple Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Aster, New England* <i>Aster novae angliae</i>	Host plant for: Pearl Crescent, Silvery Checkerspot, Painted Lady	3' – 6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium - Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Aug-Frost	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Bearberry <i>Arctostaphylos uva-urse</i>	Will not grow in clay. Evergreen ground cover	6 inches to 1 foot	Sand, Loam, gravel	Dry-Medium Acid soil	Full to Partial Sun	Apr-Jun	Red	Hummingbirds
Beardtongue <i>Penstemon grandifloras</i>	Will not grow in clay. Requires excellent drainage	2'-4'	Sand, Gravel	Dry	Full Sun	May-Jun	Lavender	Butterflies Pollinators Hummingbirds
Beebalm, Red* <i>Monarda didyma</i>	Can be invasive. They are prone to powdery mildew and I cut them back to a few inches after they are through blooming	3' - 5' Tall 16" - 24" Wide	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium to Wet	Full to Partial Sun	Jun	Red	Butterflies Hummingbirds
Bergamot <i>Monarda fistulosa</i>		2' – 5'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Aug	Pink	Butterflies Pollinators Birds Hummingbirds
Black Eyed Susan* <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Biennial. Self sows.	1' – 3'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Sep	Yellow w/black center	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Blazingstar* Dense <i>Liatris spicata</i>		3' – 5' x	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium - Moist	Full Sun	Aug.-Sep	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds Hummingbirds
Boneset		3' – 4'	Sand,	Medium-Wet	Full Sun	Aug-Sep	White	Butterflies

<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>			Loam, Clay					Pollinators
Brown Eyed Susan <i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Host plant for Silvery Checkerspot Butterfly	2' – 5' Tall	Sand, Loam	Medium Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jul – Oct	Yellow w/black centers	Butterflies Pollinators
Butterflyweed* <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Host plant for Monarch Butterfly. Can be grown in clay if not too dry.	2' – 3'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full Sun	Jun-Aug	Orange or Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators Birds Hummingbirds
Cardinal Flower <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Needs moist rich soil. Short lived.	2' – 5'	Sand, Loam	Moist-Wet	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Red	Butterflies Hummingbirds
Columbine* <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>		1' – 3'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full Sun to Shade	May-Jun	Various	Pollinators Hummingbirds
Compassplant <i>Silphium laciniatum</i>	Leaves orient to north-south direction. Slow growing, long lived	5' – 10'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Moist	Full Sun	Jun-Sep	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Coneflower, Orange <i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>		2' – 3' Tall 18" – 24" Wide	Loam, Clay	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jul – Sep	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Coneflower, Ozark* <i>Echinacea Paradoxa</i>		3' – 5'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Medium,	Full Sun	Jun-Jul	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Coneflower, Pale Purple <i>Echinacea pallida</i>		3' – 5' x 18"-20"	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Medium	Full Sun	Jun-Jul	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Coneflower, Purple* <i>Echinacea purpurea</i>		3' – 4' x 18"-20"	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Coneflower, Yellow <i>Ratibida pinnata</i>		3'-6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Moist	Full Sun	Jul-Sep	Yellow	Pollinators Birds
Coreopsis* <i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Short lived, but easily reseeds	1'-2' x 12"-18"	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full Sun	Jun-Jul	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators
Coreopsis, Rose <i>Coreopsis rosea</i>	Rare to endangered native of eastern states	1'-3'	Sand, Loam	Medium-Wet	Full to Partial Sun	May-Jun	Pink	Birds
Culver's Root* <i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>		3' – 6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium – Moist	Full to Shade	Jul-Aug	White	Butterflies Pollinators
Cupplant <i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	Leaves clasp the stems to form cup to hold water. Goldfinches love the seeds.	5' – 10'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium-Wet	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators

	Reseeds rapidly•							Birds Hummingbirds
False Indigo, Blue* <i>Baptisia australis</i>		3' – 5' x 3' – 4'	Sand, Loam Clay	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Jul	Purple	Pollinators Hummingbirds
False Indigo, Cream <i>Baptisia bracteata</i>	;	1' – 2';	Sand, Loam	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	May & Jun	Cream or Purple	Butterflies Pollinators
Golden Alexanders <i>Zizia aurea</i>	Host Plant for Black Swallowtail Butterflies	1' – 2'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium-Wet	Full Sun to Shade	May-Jul	Yellow	Pollinators
Goldenrod* (various) <i>Solidago caesia</i> , <i>ohioensis</i> , <i>rigida</i>		2' – 3' 2' – 3' 3' – 5''	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium, Medium-Moist, Dry-Medium	Full to Partial Sun, Full Sun, Full Sun	Aug-Sep	Yellow	Pollinators Birds Butterflies
Grass, Narrow leaved Blue Eyed <i>Sisyrinchium angustifolium</i>		6'' to 1'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium-Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Apr-Jun	Violet	Pollinators
Harebell <i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Does not do well in clay	1' – 2'	Sand, Gravel	Dry-Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Sep	Violet	Pollinators Hummingbirds
Hyssop* <i>Agastache foeniculum</i>		1' – 3'	Sand, Loam	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Lavender	Butterflies Pollinators Hummingbirds
Ironweed <i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>		4'-6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Moist	Full Sun	Jun-Jul	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Joe Pye Weed* <i>Eupatorium fistulosum</i> , <i>Eupatorium maculatum</i>	Great plant for rain gardens	5'-8' 4'-6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium-Moist Medium-Wet	Full to Partial Sun Full Sun	Aug-Sep Aug-Sep	Bluish Pink Pink	Butterflies Pollinators Butterflies Pollinators
Leadplant* <i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Long Lived Shrub	2' – 3'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full Sun	Jun-Jul	Purple	Butterflies Pollinators
Lobelia, Great Blue <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Excellent for damp clay soils	1' – 4'	Sand, Loam Clay	Medium-Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Blue	Butterflies Pollinators Hummingbirds
Milkweed, Common* <i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Host plant for Monarch Butterflies	2' – 4' x 10''	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Aug	Pinkish	Butterflies Pollinators Birds Hummingbirds

Mountain Mint* <i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Can be invasive	1' – 3'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Moist-Wet	Full-Partial Sun	Jul-Sep	Cream	Pollinators
New Jersey Tea <i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	Compact Shrub	2' – 3'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jul-Aug	White	Butterflies Pollinators Hummingbirds
Obedient Plant* <i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	Spreads Rapidly by rhizomes in moist areas	2' – 4'	Sand, loam, clay	Medium- Moist	Full Sun	Aug-Sep	Pink or white	Butterflies Pollinators Hummingbirds
Onion, Nodding Pink <i>Allium cernuum</i>		1' – 2'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium – Moist	Full Sun	Jul-Aug	Light Lavender	Pollinators
Ox Eye Sunflower* <i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	Thrives in moist heavy clays	3' – 6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry – Moist	Full Sun	Jun-Sep	Yellow	Butterflies Pollinators Birds
Passion-flower Vine <i>Passiflora incarnata</i> L.	Host Plant for the Gulf Fritillary and Variegated Fritillary Butterflies. CAUTION – very invasive contain in pots.	Up to 25 feet	Sand, Loam Clay	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Apr-Sep	Depends on variety	Pollinators
Penstemon, Smooth* <i>Penstemon digitalis</i>		2' – 3'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium- Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Jul	White	Butterflies Pollinators Birds Hummingbirds
Philox, Downy <i>Phlox Pilosa</i>		1' – 2'	Sand, Loam	Dry-Moist	Full Sun	May-Jun	Purple	Butterflies Hummingbirds
Pussytoes <i>Antennaria neglecta</i>	Ground cover for dry areas. Host plant for American Lady Butterfly	6 inches – 1'	Sand, Loam, Clay, Gravel	Dry-Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Apr-Jun	White	Pollinators
Rattlesnake Master* <i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>		3'-5'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry-Medium	Full Sun	Jun-Aug	Green	Butterflies Pollinators
Royal Catchfly <i>Silene regia</i>	Native in central plains states.	2' – 4'	Loam (rich soil)	Medium	Full Sun	Jul-Aug	Red	Hummingbirds
Senna, Wild* <i>Senna hebecarpa</i>	Host plant for: Cloudless Sulphur, Sleepy Orange	4'-6'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Medium – Wet	Full Sun	Jul-Aug	Yellow	Pollinators
Spice Bush	Host Plant for the Spicebush Swallowtail Butterfly	6' – 12'	Sand, Loam	Medium- Moist	Full to Partial Sun	May-Jun	Pink	Pollinators
Spiderwort, Ohio* <i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>		2' – 4'	Sand, Loam, Clay	Dry-Moist	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Jul	Purple	Pollinators

Violet, Labrador <i>Viola labradoria</i>	Host plant for: Variegated Fritillary, Great Spangled Fritillary	6 inches	Sand, Loam	Medium	Full to Partial Sun	Jun-Aug	Lavender	N/A
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