



Pollinator Plants Arranged by Bloom Time

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	NATIVE	BLOOM TIME	POLLINATOR	BLOOM COLOR	HOST FOR
HERBACEOUS PLANTS						
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Wild Columbine	Native	Apr-Jul	H	red-yellow	
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Jack-in-the-pulpit	Native	Apr-May	F	striped, purple or green	
<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>	Dutchman's breeches	Native	Apr-Jun	NB	white to cream	
<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Woodland Phlox	Native	Apr-Jun	B,BF,NB	blue, lavender, white	
<i>Phlox stolonifera</i>	Creeping Phlox	Native	Apr-Jun	B,BF,NB	blue, red-purple, white	
<i>Phlox subulata</i>	Moss Phlox	Native	Apr-Jun	B,BF,NB	pink, rose, white	
<i>Sisyrinchium angustifolium</i>	Blue-eyed Grass	Native	Apr-Jun	BF,NB	blue-violet	
<i>Trillium erectum</i>	Stinking Benjamin	Native	Apr-Jun	F	purple, greenish to white	
<i>Zizia aptera</i>	Golden Alexander	Native	Apr-Jun	B,NB,F,W,B	yellow	Black Swallowtail
<i>Dicentra eximia</i>	Wild Bleeding Heart	Native	May-Sep	NB	pink, white	
<i>Penstemon laevigatus</i>	Smooth Beardtongue	Native	May-Jul	NB	purplish	
<i>Phlox carolina</i>	Carolina Phlox	Native	May-Jun	B,BF,NB	pink to purple	
<i>Viola pensylvanica</i>	Yellow Violet	Native	May-Jun	BF	yellow	Fritillaries
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Swamp Milkweed	Native	Jun-Jul	B,BF,F,NB	pink	Milkweed Tussock Moth Monarch
<i>Asclepias purpurascens</i>	Purple Milkweed	Native	Jun-Jul	B,BF,F,NB	purple	Milkweed Tussock Moth Monarch
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Common Milkweed	Native	Jun-Aug	B,BF,F,NB	purple	Milkweed Tussock Moth Monarch
<i>Coreopsis verticillata</i>	Threadleaf Coreopsis	Native	Jun-Oct	BF,F	yellow	
<i>Helianthus divaricatus</i>	Woodland Sunflower	Native	Jun-Sep	B,NB	yellow	
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild Bergamot, Horsemint	Native	Jun-Sep	BF,HB,NB,W,F	pink to purple	
<i>Monarda punctata</i>	Horsemint, Spotted Bee-balm	Native	Jun-Oct	BF,HB,NB,W,F	Yellow & purple	
<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	Evening Primrose	Native	Jun-Sep	HB,M	yellow	
<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i>	Narrow-leaved Sundrops	Native	Jun-Sep	HB,M	yellow	
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	Culver's Root	Native	Jun-Sept	NB,BF,F	pink, white	
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	White Beardtongue	Native	Jun-Aug	NB	white	
<i>Penstemon smallii</i>	Small's Beardtongue	Native	Jun-Aug	NB	rose-purple with white	
<i>Phlox paniculata</i>	Tall Garden Phlox	Native	Jun-Oct	B,BF,NB	pink, purple, red, white	
<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	Gray Goldenrod	Native	Jun-Nov	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Allium cernuum</i>	Nodding Onion	Native	Jul-Aug	B,NB	pink, rose, white	

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<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	Giant Blue Hyssop	Native	Jul-Aug	B,BF,F,NB	blue-violet	
<i>Agastache nepetoides</i>	Giant Yellow Hyssop	Native	Jul-Aug	B,BF,F,NB	lt yellow to yellow-green	
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterflyweed	Native	Jul-Sept	B,BF,F,NB	orange	
<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	Whorled Milkweed	Native	Jul-Sept	B,BF,F,NB	white	
<i>Coreopsis rosea</i>	Pink Tickseed	Native	Jul-Sept	BF,F	pink	
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Coneflower	Native	Jul-Sept	BF,F	purple	
<i>Chelone glabra</i>	White Turtlehead	Native	Jul-Oct	NB	white	Baltimore checkerspot
<i>Eupatorium fistulosum</i>	Joe-Pye-weed	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB	purple	
<i>Eupatorium hyssopifolium</i>	Hyssop-leaved Thoroughwort	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB	white	
<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i>	Spotted Joe-Pye-weed	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB	purple	
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Common Boneset	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB	white	
<i>Eupatorium purpureum</i>	Green-stemmed Joe-Pye-Weed	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB	pink, purple, cream	
<i>Helianthus decapetalus</i>	Thinleaf Sunflower	Native	Jul-Oct	B,NB	yellow	
<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Blazing Star	Native	Jul-Aug	BF	rose-purple, white	
<i>Monarda didyma</i>	Scarlet Bee-Balm	Native	Jul-Sep	BF,HB,NB	red	
<i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i>	Showy Mountain Mint	Native	Jul-Aug	B,M	purple to white	
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>	Orange Coneflower	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB,F,B	yellow-orange	
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB,F,B	yellow	
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	Cutleaf Coneflower	Native	Jul-Sep	BF,NB,F,B	yellow	
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Brown-eyed Susan	Native	Jul-Oct	BF,NB,F,B	yellow	
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	Cup Plant	Native	Jul-Oct	BF	yellow	
<i>Solidago caesia</i>	Wreath Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>	Zigzag Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Solidago juncea</i>	Early Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Solidago odora</i>	Sweet Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Solidago sempervirens</i>	Evergreen Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Solidago speciosa</i>	Showy Goldenrod	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Symphyotrichum ericoides</i>	Heath Aster	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	white	
<i>Symphyotrichum novi-belgii</i>	New York Aster	Native	Jul-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	blue-violet	
<i>Helianthus autumnale</i>	Common Sneezeweed	Native	Aug-Oct	B,NB	yellow	
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower	Native	Aug-Oct	HB	red	
<i>Solidago rugosa</i>	Wrinkle-leaf Goldenrod	Native	Aug-Nov	B,BF,NB,W	yellow	
<i>Symphyotrichum cordifolium</i>	Blue Wood Aster	Native	Aug-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	blue	Pearl Crescent
<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>	New England Aster	Native	Aug-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	violet	
<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>	Smooth Aster	Native	Aug-Oct	B,BF,NB,W	blue, violet, white	Pearl Crescent
<i>Veronia noveboracensis</i>	New York Ironweed	Native	Aug-Oct	NB	purple	
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Great Blue Lobelia	Native	Oct-Sep	HB	blue	

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SHRUBS						
<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Spicebush	Native	Mar-May	BF,B	yellow	Spicebush swallowtail
<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Silky Dogwood	Native	May-Jun	B	white	
<i>Cornus racemosa</i>	Grey Dogwood	Native	May-Jun	B,NB,F,BF	white	
<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	New Jersey Tea	Native	May-Sep	BF,NB,F,B	white	Spring Azure
<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	Button Bush	Native	Jul-Aug	B,BF,NB,F	creamy white	
<i>Clethra alnifolia</i>	Summersweet	Native	Jul-Aug	BF, NB	white	
TREES						
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red Maple	Native	Feb	NB	inconspicuous	
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	Silver Maple	Native	Feb-Mar	NB	greenish yellow	
<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Red Bud	Native	Apr	NB	pink to lavender	Henry's Elfin
<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	Downy Serviceberry, Shadbush	Native	Mar-May	BF	white	
<i>Quercus alba</i>	White Oak	Native	Mar-May	M	yellow-green	
<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	Red Oak	Native	Apr-Jun	M	yellow-green	
<i>Acer saccharum</i>	Sugar Maple	Native	Apr-May	NB	yellow-green	
<i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>	Serviceberry, Shadblow	Native	Apr-May	BF	white	
<i>Quercus palustris</i>	Pin Oak	Native	Apr-May	M	yellow-green	Many Moths & Butterflies
<i>Quercus rubra</i>	Northern Red Oak	Native	Apr-May	M	yellow-green	Many Moths & Butterflies
<i>Prunus virginiana</i>	Chokecherry	Native	May	B,NB	white	Many Moths & Butterflies
<i>Magnolia spp</i>	Magnolia	Native	May-Jul	B	yellow-green	Tiger Swallowtail
<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Pagoda Dogwood	Native	May-Jun	NB	creamy white	Spring azure
<i>Cornus florida</i>	Flowering Dogwood	Native	May-Jun	B	white	Spring azure
<i>Betula spp.</i>	Birch	Native	May	B	yellow-green	Many Moths & Butterflies
VINES						
<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Trumpet Honeysuckle	Native	Apr-Oct	HB,NB	coral to red/yellow	
<i>Aristolochia tomentosa</i>	Dutchman's Pipevine	Native	May-Jun	F	Greenish yellow	Pipevine Swallowtail
<i>Campsis radicans</i>	Trumpet Vine	Native	May-Jun	HB,NB,W	orange	Plebeian Sphinx moth
<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>	Virginia Creeper	Native	Jun-Aug	B	greenish white	

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Penn State Center for Pollinator Research: Pollinator Garden Certification <https://ento.psu.edu/pollinators/public-outreach/cert>

Buy seeds: Ernst Seeds www.ernstseed.com *Buy mixes that are NATIVE to your area (Ernst also sells a lot of non-native mixes)

Prairie Moon www.prairiemoon.com (make sure the seeds are native to your area)

Buy native plants: Visit PA Native Plant Society to find Native Plant Sales in your area: <http://www.panativeplantsociety.org>

Plants for Birds (Audubon): www.audubon.org/plantsforbirds (local nurseries are also listed)

Native Plant Finder (National Wildlife Federation): www.nwf.org/NativePlantFinder/Plants

Recommended Books:

Attracting Native Pollinators by The Xerces Society

Bringing Nature Home by Doug Tallamy

Butterflies of Pennsylvania a field guide by James Monroe and David Wright

Caterpillars of Eastern North America by David Wagner

Kaufman Field Guide to Insects of North America by Eric Eaton and Kenn Kaufman

Pollinators of Native Plants by Heather Holm

The Bees in Your Backyard : A Guide to North America's Bees by Joseph Wilson

More Native Pollinator Plants Arranged by Bloom Time

Spring:

Baptisia australis: False Blue Indigo

Mertensia virginica: Virginia Bluebells

Tiarella cordifolia: Allegheny Foam flower

Geranium maculatum: Wild geranium

Opuntia humifusa: Eastern Prickly Pear Cactus

Caltha palustris: Marsh marigold

Sanguinaria canadensis: Bloodroot

Viola canadensis: Canada violet

Iris cristata: Dwarf Crested Iris

Summer:

Chamaecrista fasciculata: Partridge Pea (Annual)

Heliopsis helianthoides: False sunflower

Late Summer – Fall:

Eurybia divaricate: White wood aster

Symphotrichum oblongifolium: Aromatic aster



Mountain Mint is a great native alternative to Oxeye or Shasta Daisies – and it's deer resistant