

Landscaping Plants for Wet Mesic Soils & Partial Sun (4-6 hours of direct sunlight)

Plants in pink are available at the 2026 Tippecanoe County SWCD Plant Sale.

Broadleaf Wildflowers (Forbs)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Wild Garlic	<i>Allium canadense</i>
Showy Wild Onion	<i>Allium cernuum</i>
Marsh Milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>
Blue False Indigo	<i>Baptisia australis</i>
Pink Turtlehead	<i>Chelone obliqua</i>
Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>
Grass-leaved Goldenrod	<i>Euthamia graminifolia</i>
Bottle Gentain	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
Sneezeweed	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>
Swamp Rose Mallow	<i>Hibiscus moscheutos</i>
Blue Flag Iris	<i>Iris virginica shrevei</i>
Prairie Blazing Star	<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>
Great Blue Lobelia	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>
Prairie Phlox	<i>Phlox pilosa</i>
Midland Shooting Star	<i>Primula meadia</i>
Showy Black-eyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>
Smooth Blue Aster	<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>
Ohio Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>

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Grasses, Sedges, and Rushes

Common Name	Scientific Name
Yellowfruit Sedge	<i>Carex annectens</i>
Bicknell's Sedge	<i>Carex bicknellii</i>
Plains Oval Sedge	<i>Carex brevior</i>
Frank's Sedge	<i>Carex frankii</i>
Gray's Sedge	<i>Carex grayi</i>
Fox Sedge	<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>
Dudley's Rush	<i>Juncus dudleyi</i>
Switchgrass ¹	<i>Panicum virgatum</i>

1. Switchgrass can spread through rhizomes. It is included on this list because it is a good native alternative to invasive plants like Chinese Silvergrass.

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Shrubs

Common Name	Scientific Name
Black Chokeberry	<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>
Pagoda Dogwood	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>
Gray Dogwood	<i>Cornus racemosa</i>
Red Osier Dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i>
Common Witch-hazel	<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>
Smooth Hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i>
Shrubby St. John's Wort	<i>Hypericum prolificum</i>
Winterberry	<i>Ilex verticillata</i>
Spicebush	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>
Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>
Pasture Rose	<i>Rosa carolina</i>
Swamp Rose	<i>Rosa palustris</i>
Highbush Blueberry	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>

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Trees

Common Name	Scientific Name	On Lafayette and West Lafayette's Street Tree List
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	No
Pawpaw	<i>Asimina triloba</i>	No
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Yes
American Crabapple	<i>Malus coronaria</i>	No
Black Tupelo	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	Yes
American Hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	Yes
Shingle Oak	<i>Quercus imbricaria</i>	Yes
Shumard Oak	<i>Quercus shumardii</i>	Yes
Eastern Hemlock	<i>Tsuga canadensis</i>	No