



Plant Selection

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Anise Hyssop	<i>Agastache x foeniculum</i>	Lavender	2'-4'h 1.5'-3'w	June-September	Butterfly/ Bees/ Pollinators/ Hummingbird	full to partial sun	12"	Bright purple flowers on clustered spikes and textured foliage attract pollinators and butterflies. Crushed leaves are mint and licorice scented.	Easily grown in average, dry to medium moisture, well drained soils. Best in full sun. Spreads by rhizomes and self sows.
Bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Pale pink/ purple	2'-4'h 3'-4'w	July - September	Butterfly/ Songbird/ Hummingbird	full to partial sun	24"	Intricate lavender flowers are a magnet for pollinators, butterflies, and hummingbirds. Forms masses and is impressive planted in groups. Fresh leaves can be used to brew tea.	Best grown in dry to medium moisture in well-drained soils. Plants need good air circulation. Deadhead to prolong blooms.
Black-eyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Yellow/ Black	2'-3'h 1'-3'w	June - September	Butterfly/ Pollinator/ Songbird	full to partial sun	12"	Bright, sunny flower attracts butterflies and other pollinators. Looks wonderful planted in mass. Biennial that flowers year it is planted and self-sows from seed. A classic.	Easily grown in average, medium moisture, in well-drained soils. Tolerates heat, drought and a wide range of soils except poorly drained wet ones.
Blazing Star	<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Mauve/ Pink	3-5'h 1'-1.5'w	July-August	Butterfly/ Songbird	full to partial sun	6-12"	Bold purple flower spikes on clump forming plant. Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds, and songbirds.	Prefers moist, well-drained soil.
Blue Stem Goldenrod	<i>Solidago caesia</i>	Yellow	2'-3'h 1.5'w	August - October	Butterfly/ Pollinator/ Songbird	full sun to part shade	12"	Semi-shade late season bloomer brightens up shady gardens. Gracefully arching stems are covered with hundreds of tiny shooting stars of yellow flowers in late August and September.	Prefers average, medium to dry, well-drained soils in part shade. A woodland species that tolerates dry soils and is a shade lover.
Blue Wild Indigo	<i>Baptisia australis</i>	Deep blue	3-5'h 3'-4'w	June-July	Butterfly	full to partial sun	24"	Intense blue, pea-like flowers on attractive foliage with blue-black seed pods. Forms 3' w x 3' h clumps. Host plant for frosted elfin butterfly and important nectar plant.	Easily grown in average, dry to medium well-drained soil. Prefers full sun. Tolerates drought and poor soil. Prefers not to be disturbed once established.

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<u>Butterfly Milkweed</u>	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Orange	1'-3'h 2'w	May-August	Butterfly/ Bees/ Pollinators	full to partial sun	12-18"	Showy, bright orange flowers, butterfly and pollinator magnet and host plant for monarch caterpillars.	A top butterfly plant for drier soil. Short stature sun loving plant for monarchs.
<u>Cardinal Flower</u>	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Red	2'-4'h 1'-2'w	July - September	Hummingbird/ Butterfly	full sun to partial shade	12"	A clump-forming perennial with erect spikes of brilliant red tube shaped flowers that draw hummingbirds like a magnet.	Grows well in medium rich to moist soils. Tolerates some flooding. Should not dry out. Prefers some afternoon shade.
<u>Common Milkweed</u>	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Pink to Lavender	2-4'h 1'w	June-August	Butterfly/ Songbird/ Pollinators	full to partial sun	12-18"	A profusion of sweetly scented lavender to pink flowers blooms mid-summer and attracts numerous pollinators. Host plant for monarch butterflies.	Easily grown in average, dry to medium well-drained soil in full sun. Spreads by rhizomes and can create a patch if left to reseed and spread.
<u>Coral Bells</u>	<i>Heuchera americana</i>	Cream with Red Tinge	1'-2'h 1'-1.5'w	June-August	Hummingbird	full sun to partial shade	12"	Excellent foliage plant with ruffled leaves. Evergreen in mild winters. Clump forming. Attracts hummingbirds.	Prefers rich soil, medium moisture and well-drained soils in full sun to part shade.
<u>Dotted Mint</u>	<i>Monarda punctata</i>	Lavender	1'-2'h 1'w	July-September	Butterfly	full sun	12"	The bright lavender "flowers" are actually leafy bracts that surround the true flower. Legions of butterflies, native bees, and other pollinators flock to this plant. Long lasting flowers make this plant a star of the garden especially when planted in a group. Tolerates dry, sandy soil.	Prefers dry to medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Tolerates dry, sandy soil. Deadhead to prolong blooms.
<u>Foamflower</u>	<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	White/Pink	1'h 1.5'w	May - June	Butterfly	part to full shade	12"	Delicate, shade-loving, early spring bloomer with attractive foliage. Tiny white flowers have an airy look as they stand above clump-forming foliage. Foliage is evergreen in mild winters and turns bronze in fall. Makes an excellent groundcover.	Grows well in average, medium well-drained soils. Prefers rich, organic soils that don't dry out. Spreads by runners.
<u>Foxglove Beardtongue</u>	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	White	3'-4'h 1.5'-2'w	June - July	Butterfly/ Songbird/ Hummingbird	full to partial sun	12"	Trumpet-shaped white flowers are arranged in terminal clusters on multiple stems. Attractive dark green foliage. Hummingbird and butterfly magnet.	Grows in dry to medium moisture in well-drained soils in full sun. Avoid poorly drained soils.
<u>Garden Phlox</u>	<i>Phlox paniculata</i>	White/ Pink/ Purple	2-4'h 2'-3'w	June - September	Butterfly/ Hummingbird/ Songbird	full sun to part shade	12"	Fragrant tubular purple-pink to white florets are densely packed in flower clusters that persist over a long bloom period. Attracts butterflies.	Prefers moderately fertile, medium moist soil. Best in part sun. Naturalizes outside native range.
<u>Golden Alexander</u>	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Yellow	1'-3'h 1.5'-2'w	May - July	Butterfly	full sun to part shade	12"	Brilliant golden yellow flowers form broad umbrella-shaped clusters atop dark green foliage. An important food source for Black Swallowtail butterfly caterpillars.	Grow in average, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. May be evergreen in mild winters. Deer resistant.
<u>Great Blue Lobelia</u>	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Blue	2'-3'h 1'-3'w	July - September	Hummingbird/ Butterfly	part sun to part shade	12"	Showy light to dark blue tubular flowers adorn flower spikes rising 2-3' above leafy stalks. Late summer bloom period.	Prefers medium rich to moist soils. Appreciates part shade and will tolerate more shade.
<u>Hoary Vervain</u>	<i>Verbena stricta</i>	Blue - violet	2'-4'h 1.5'-2'w	July - September	Butterfly/ Hummingbird	full sun	12"	Deep purple, tubular flowers in spikes on 2-3' tall plants, easy and hardy, summer bloomer attracts hummingbirds and butterflies.	Easily grown in average, medium to dry soils in full sun. May thrive in dry, sandy soils. Good drought tolerance.
<u>Lanceleaf Coreopsis</u>	<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Yellow	1'-2'h 1'-1.5'w	June-July	Butterfly/ Songbird	full sun	12"	Large, golden-yellow flowers bloom for weeks creating amazing early summer displays that attract butterflies and songbirds to seedheads.	Grows well in dry to medium moisture, well-drained soil. Thrives in poor and sandy soil. Heat, humidity, and drought tolerant. Deadheading enhances blooming.

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<u>Little Joe Pye Weed</u>	<i>Eutrochium (Eupatorium) dubium</i>	Pink	3'-4'h 1'-3'w	July - September	Butterfly	full to partial sun	18-24"	Small, pink to purple flowers in large clusters on tall stems. Late summer to fall bloomer is an insect magnet.	Prefers moist soil in full sun to part shade. Does well in sandy soil but does not like to dry out.
<u>New England Aster</u>	<i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i>	Blue- purple	3'-6'h 1.5'w	August- October	Butterfly/ Songbird	full to partial sun	12"	Showy and abundant violet-purple flower heads that are 1-2" wide. Forms large clumps and is an important late summer nectar and pollen source.	Prefers average, medium, well-drained soil but tolerates drier conditions. Can pinch back before mid-July to control plant height. May self sow under optimal conditions.
<u>Purple Coneflower</u>	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Pink	3-4'h 1.5'-2'w	July - September	Butterfly/ Songbird/ Hummingbird	full to partial sun	12"	Large 2-4" deep pink to rose flower heads attract butterflies. Seed heads attract goldfinches and other songbirds.	Grows well in average, dry to medium, well-drained soil in full sun to part-shade. Best in full sun. Tolerant of drought, heat, humidity and poor soil.
<u>Purple Milkweed</u> NOT AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDER	<i>Asclepias purperens</i>	Rose Pink to Purple	2'-3'h 1-3'w	May-July	Butterfly/ Songbird/ Pollinators	full sun	12-18"	Resembles Common Milkweed except flowers are purple and on a shorter plant. Fragrant flowers. Monarch host plant and butterfly and pollinator attractor.	Can spread aggressively but not by underground rhizomes. Makes an excellent native habitat component where groomed gardens are not necessary. Drought tolerant
<u>Seaside Goldenrod</u>	<i>Solidago sempervirens</i>	Yellow	2-4'h 2'-3'w	September- October	Butterfly/ Pollinator	full to partial sun	12-18"	Bright yellow flower heads are clustered on beautiful spikes. Important food source for migrating monarchs.	Does best in dry sites with sandy soil and is salt tolerant. Makes great addition to naturalized gardens, backyard habitats and wildflower gardens. Will produce foliage and few flowers if overfertilized.
<u>Smooth Aster</u>	<i>Symphotrichum laeve</i>	Deep blue	2'-4'h 1'-2'w	August - October	Butterfly/ Songbird	full sun	12"	Late season bloomer loved by songbirds and butterflies. A profusion of deep blue star-like flowers cover the plant in late autumn when other plants have faded. Very hardy and often blooms into November.	Grows well in average, dry to medium, well-drained soils. Self seeds.
<u>Swamp/Red Milkweed</u>	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Pink/Red	3-5'h 2'w	June-July	Butterfly/ Songbird	full sun	12-18"	Showy pink flowers in umbels attract butterflies. Host plant for monarchs; top nectar plant for butterflies.	Prefers moist soil but easily established in average garden conditions.
<u>Threadleaf Bluestar</u>	<i>Amsonia hubrichtii</i>	Light blue	2'-3'h 2'-3'w	May-June	Butterfly	full sun to part shade	18"-24"	Powdery blue 1/2" star-like flowers form clusters atop feathery green summer foliage that turns bright gold in fall. Forms attractive clumps and attracts butterflies. Tolerates deer. Plant in a mass for best effect.	Grows well in average, medium well-drained soil. Best fall foliage color in full sun but flowers last longer if given some afternoon shade in hot sun areas. Cut stems back to 6" to create nice mound shape.
<u>Wild Columbine</u>	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Red/ Yellow	1'-2'h 1'w	April-June	Hummingbird/ Butterfly	full sun to shade	12"	Red and yellow dangling tube shaped flowers prefer light to medium shade in well-drained soil. Flower in early spring and attracts hummingbirds when few other nectar flowers available. Columbine Duskywing Caterpillar host plant.	Interesting woodland plant that reseeds. Does best in partially shaded to shady spot.
<u>Wild Petunia</u>	<i>Ruellia humilis</i>	Violet	1'-2'h 1'-2'w	June - August	Butterfly/ Hummingbird	full sun	12"	Lovely violet flower trumpets are a hummingbird favorite. A rare plant that rarely grows more than a foot tall and is perfect for dry, hot locations. Deer resistant.	Grows well in average, medium - dry, well-drained soil. Drought and dry soil tolerant.
<u>Zigzag Goldenrod</u>	<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>	Yellow	1'-3'h 1'-3'w	August - September	Butterfly/ Pollinator	full sun to part shade	12"	Late fall woodland flower that spreads to form a patch. Notable for brilliant yellow flowers that attract butterflies.	Grows well in average, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Does best in part shade but will grow in full shade.

Milkweed Collection for Monarchs

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Wildlife Collection for Sunny Areas

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Native Plants for Shady Gardens

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