

2023 Pollinator Preserve: Perennial Plants by Common Name

Common Name	Scientific Name	Why Chosen
Anise hyssop	<i>Agastache</i> 'Blue fortune'	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
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Aromatic aster	<i>Symphotrichum oblongifolium</i> 'Raydon's Favorite'	Late season nectar, host plant for silvery checkerspot butterfly and a variety of moths
Beardtongue	<i>Penstemon</i> 'Blackbeard'	Early spring nectar, attract large bees and hummingbirds, example of 'nectar guides'
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Bee balm	<i>Monarda didyma</i>	Nectar, attracts hummingbirds and a variety of insects
Black and blue salvia	<i>Salvia guaranitica</i> 'Black and Blue'	Nectar, bees exhibit 'nectar robbing'
Black Cherry	<i>Prunus serotina</i>	Keystone Plant, host to hundreds of species of butterflies and moths, nectar, fruit for birds
Black chokeberry	<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i> 'Low Scape Mound' ®	Nectar, host plant for coral hairstreak butterfly
Black-eyed susan	<i>Rudbeckia</i>	Nectar
Blanket flower	<i>Gaillardia x grandiflora</i> 'Arizona Sun'	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Blazing star	<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Blue catmint	<i>Nepeta x faassenii</i>	Early spring nectar
Blue grape hyacinth	<i>Muscari armeniacum</i>	Early season nectar
Blue wood aster	<i>Symphotrichum cordifolium</i>	Late season nectar, seeds for wildlife, host plant for dozens of moths and butterflies
Bluebeard	<i>Caryopteris x clandonensis</i> 'Dark Knight'	Late season nectar
Broadleaf Plantain	<i>Plantago major</i>	Host plant for common buckeye butterfly
Bronze fennel	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> 'Rubrum' 'Bronze'	Host plant for black swallowtail
Bush honeysuckle 'Kodiak® Orange'	<i>Diervilla</i> x 'Kodiak® Orange'	Nectar for insects and hummingbirds, alternative to invasive Burning Bush.

Butterfly weed (milkweed)	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Nectar for many insects; host plant for monarch butterfly and milkweed tussock moth. Provides food for milkweed bugs and beetles
Buttonbush 'Sugar Shack'	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> 'Sugar Shack'	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects. Host plant to some of our largest and showiest moths: titan sphinx, the hydrangea sphinx, and the royal walnut.
Calico aster	<i>Symphotrichum lateriflorum</i>	Late season nectar, host plant for pearl crescent butterfly and others
Canadian Goldenrod	<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Abundant pollen and nectar in early fall, attracts a variety of insects, host plant for 8 moths in our region
Cardinal flower	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Nectar for hummingbirds
Cardinal flower	<i>Lobelia speciosa</i> Starship™ Blue	Nectar for hummingbirds
Cardinal flower	<i>Lobelia x speciosa</i> 'Starship (TM) Deep Rose'	Nectar for hummingbirds
Chrysanthemum	<i>Chrysanthemum</i> 'Hillside Sheffield Pink'	Late season nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Columbine	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Early spring nectar for long tongued bees and hummingbirds
Common hop	<i>Humulus lupulus</i> 'Aureus'	Abundant pollen, nectar for butterflies, host plant for question mark, comma, gray hairstreak and red admiral butterflies and a variety of moths; vine for vertical interest
Common milkweed	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Nectar for many insects; host plant for monarch butterfly and milkweed tussock moth. Provides food for milkweed bugs and beetles
Coneflower	<i>Echinacea x hybrida</i> 'Sombrero Rosada'	Example of beautiful flower with little to no nectar. Not a good pollinator plant
Coral honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i> 'Major Wheeler'	Nectar for hummingbirds, host plant for snowberry clearwing hummingbird moth, vine for vertical interest
Creeping phlox 'Woodlander Lilac	<i>Phlox stolonifera</i>	Early season nectar
Daffodil	<i>Narcissus</i> 'Tripartite'	Early season nectar
Dogwood	<i>Cornus kousa</i>	Already in place
Dutchman's pipevine	<i>Aristolochia tomentosa</i>	Host plant for pipevine swallowtail, unique flower shape
False indigo	<i>Baptisia australis</i>	Early season nectar, host plant for clouded sulphur, Orange Sulphur and eastern tailed blue butterflies

Figwort (early bloomer)	<i>Scrophularia lanceolata</i>	Prolific nectar, attracts hummingbirds, native bees, wasps
Figwort (late bloomer)	<i>Scrophularia marilandica</i>	Prolific nectar, attracts hummingbirds, native bees, wasps
first light swamp sunflower	<i>Helianthus salicifolius</i> 'First Light'	Late season nectar
Garden phlox	<i>Phlox paniculata</i> 'Jeana'	Nectar, favorite of hummingbird moth and eastern tiger swallowtail.
Garden phlox	<i>Phlox paniculata</i> 'Laura'	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects, example of 'nectar guides'
Great blue lobelia	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Nectar for large strong native bees
Heartleaf foamflower	<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	Nectar, tolerates shade
Heath aster	<i>Symphotrichum ericoides</i> 'Snow Flurry'	Late season nectar, host plant for pearl crescent butterfly, unique color of flowers
Highbush blueberry	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> 'Blue Crop'	Nectar
Hot lips salvia	<i>Salvia microphylla</i> 'Hot Lips'	Nectar, attracts bees and hummingbirds
Joe Pye weed	<i>Eutrochium purpureum</i>	Late summer nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Lanceleaf coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Nectar, possible host plant to silvery checkerspot butterfly
Lance-leaf loosestrife	<i>Lysimachia lanceolata</i>	Nectar, flowering ground cover option
Little Joe Pye weed	<i>Eutrochium dubium</i> 'Little Joe'	Late summer nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Longflower alumroot	<i>Heuchera longiflora</i>	Nectar
Mexican hat flower	<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	Nectar, unusual flower shape
Mountain mint	<i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i>	Prolific nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Narrowleaf ironweed	<i>Vernonia lettermannii</i>	Nectar
New York ironweed	<i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i>	Nectar
Oneleaf onion	<i>Allium Unifolium</i>	Early season nectar
Parsley	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i>	Host plant for black swallowtail
Passionflower	<i>Passiflora incarnata</i>	Nectar for a variety of insects, host plant for variegated fritillary butterfly, vine for vertical interest

Pennsylvania sedge	<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>	Ground cover in shady area, seeds for birds
Perennial sunflower 'Lemon queen'	<i>Helianthus 'Lemon Queen' sunflower</i>	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Rattlesnake master	<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Attracts a large number of native bees
Rough goldenrod	<i>Solidago rugosa 'Fireworks'</i>	Abundant pollen and nectar in early fall, attracts a variety of insects, host plant for 8 moths in our region
Sedum 'Neon'	<i>Sedum/ Hylotelephium spectabile 'Neon'</i>	Late summer nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Senna	<i>Senna marilandica</i>	Nectar for bumblebees; host plant for cloudless sulfur and sleepy orange butterflies (and others), birds consume seeds.
Smallhead blazing star	<i>Liatris microcephala</i>	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Smooth hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea arborescens 'Haas</i>	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects
Snow crocus	<i>Crocus Chrysanthus 'Cream Beauty'</i>	Early season nectar
Spicebush	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Early spring nectar, host plant for spicebush swallowtail butterfly
Spotted beebalm	<i>Monarda punctata</i>	Nectar, attractive to many bees and wasps
Stokes' aster	<i>Stokesia laevis 'Honeysong Purple'</i>	Nectar
Stonecrop	<i>Sedum album 'Coral Carpet'</i>	Late spring nectar, attracts butterflies
Stonecrop	<i>Sedum ternatum 'Larinem Park'</i>	Late spring nectar, attracts butterflies
Summersweet	<i>Clethra alnifolia</i>	Nectar for insects and hummingbirds, seeds for birds
Swamp milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Nectar for many insects; host plant for monarch butterfly and milkweed tussock moth. Provides food for milkweed bugs and beetles
Switchgrass	<i>Panicum Virgatum 'Hot Rod'</i>	Shelter for butterflies and other insects
Tall coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis triptera</i>	Nectar, Host plant to blue azure and duskywing butterflies
Threadleaf coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis verticillata 'Zagreb'</i>	Nectar, flowers for 3 seasons, attracts a variety of insects
Tickseed	<i>Coreopsis 'Fall Sensation' 'Sunnyside'</i>	Nectar
Tulip	<i>Tulipa</i>	Early season nectar
Vervain	<i>Verbena</i>	Nectar, attracts a variety of insects

Violets	<i>Viola sororia</i>	Nectar, host plant for fritillary butterfly
White turtlehead	<i>Chelone glabra</i>	Nectar, host plant for Baltimore checkerspot
Whorled milkweed	<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	Nectar for many insects; host plant for monarch butterfly and milkweed tussock moth. Provides food for milkweed bugs and beetles
Wild bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Nectar, attracts hummingbirds and a variety of insects
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Wild Indigo	<i>Baptisia tinctoria</i> 'Wild Indigo'	Early season nectar
Woodland tobacco	<i>Nicotiana sylvestris</i>	Nectar for hummingbirds, host plant for many moths
Yarrow	AA2:C35chillea 'Coronation Gold'	Nectar
Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i> 'PP31755' 'Sassy summer taffy'	Nectar

