

Planting Guide for your native pollinator garden

Use the arrangement below to have a continuous garden - spring, summer, & fall

NORTHEAST REGION

CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT, WV



BLOOM SEASON

- Spring
- Summer
- Fall

For best results, use multiple plants of each species.



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Follow these steps to create your beautiful native pollinator garden

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1 Identify your garden spot:

- ✓ Find a 3' x 6' plot that gets 6+ hours of sun.
- ✓ Have a larger area? Include more choices and clump the same species together.
- ✓ Remove or smother existing lawn or vegetation.
- ✓ Enhance hard-packed soil with organic compost.

2 Buy plants at a local native plant nursery, if possible.

3 Plant!

- ✓ Arrange plants with different seasonal blooms in your plot.
- ✓ Dig holes twice as large as each plant's pot.
- ✓ Remove the plant from the pot, loosen the roots, place it in the hole, backfill, tamp soil, and water.
- ✓ Mulch plot to depth < 1 inch, keeping mulch away from stems and avoid using hardwood chips and shreds.

4 Maintain your garden:

- ✓ Water to keep moist throughout the first two weeks, then as needed or when plants droop.
- ✓ Weed as needed.
- ✓ Avoid using insecticides, herbicides, or fungicides.
- ✓ Be patient - your garden may take a few years to fully establish and fill in!

Add your garden: www.millionpollinatorgardens.org

BLOOM SEASON | NATIVE PLANT OPTIONS

Your state's native plant society can recommend additional locally appropriate native species. See **North American Pollinator Protection Campaign Ecoregional Planting Guides** for additional information: www.pollinator.org/guides.

SEASON	FIRST OPTION	SECOND OPTION
Spring	Eastern red columbine <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> ●	squirrel corn <i>Dicentra canadensis</i> ○
	wild geranium <i>Geranium maculatum</i> ●	wild lupine <i>Lupinus perennis</i> ●
	foxglove beardtongue <i>Penstemon digitalis</i> ○	golden ragwort <i>Packera aurea</i> ●
Summer	common milkweed <i>Asclepias syriaca</i> ●	butterfly milkweed <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> ●
	beebealm <i>Monarda fistulosa</i> ●	woodland sunflower <i>Helianthus divaricatus</i> ○
	Joe Pye weed <i>Eutrochium fistulosum</i> ●	narrowleaf mountain mint <i>Pycnanthemum tenuifolium</i> ○
Fall	white wood aster <i>Eurybia divaricata</i> ○	cardinal flower <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> ●
	gray goldenrod <i>Solidago nemoralis</i> ●	wrinkleleaf goldenrod <i>Solidago rugosa</i> ●
	New England aster <i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i> ●	white turtlehead <i>Chelone glabra</i> ○

● color dots above indicate bloom color

All three images in this table are NPS photos.

