

Native Plants: Native Grassland Plants

Recommended Uses	Native Regions	Minimum Light Requirements	Minimum Moisture Requirements
W = Wildlife	M = Mountains	S = Full Shade	L = Low Moisture
H = Horticulture and Landscaping	P = Piedmont	P = Partial Sun	M = Moderate Moisture
C = Conservation and Restoration	C = Coastal Plain	F = Full Sun	H = High Moisture
D = Domestic Livestock Forage			

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Uses				Region			Light			Moisture		
		W	H	C	D	M	P	C	S	P	F	L	M	H
Forbs														
<i>Acorus americanus</i>	sweet flag			X	X			X		X	X			X
<i>Antennaria neglecta</i>	field pussytoes		X	X			X	X			X	X		X
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	swamp milkweed	X	X	X			X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Asclepias syriaca+</i>	common milkweed	X	X	X			X	X	X			X		X
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	butterfly weed	X	X	X			X	X	X			X		X
<i>Aster laevis</i>	smooth blue aster	X	X	X			X					X		X
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i>	New England aster		X	X			X				X	X		X
<i>Aster novi-belgii</i>	New York aster	X	X	X				X			X	X		X
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	white heath aster	X	X	X			X	X	X			X		X
<i>Aster umbellatus</i>	flat-top white aster		X	X			X	X			X	X		X
<i>Baptisia tinctoria</i>	yellow wild-indigo	X	X				X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	marsh marigold		X	X			X		X		X	X		X
<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata+</i>	partridge pea				X			X	X	X			X	X
<i>Chrysogonum virginianum</i>	green and gold			X	X			X	X	X		X		X
<i>Chrysopsis mariana</i>	Maryland golden aster	X	X	X			X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Clitoria mariana</i>	Maryland butterfly pea		X	X			X	X	X		X	X		X

<i>Coreopsis tripteris</i>	tall coreopsis		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Coreopsis verticillata</i>	threadleaf coreopsis		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Desmodium paniculatum</i>	narrow-leaf tick trefoil	X		X		X	X	X		X			X	
<i>Eupatorium coelestinum</i>	mistflower	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Eupatorium fistulosum</i>	Joe Pye weed	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	common boneset			X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	sneezeweed	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X	
<i>Helianthus angustifolius</i>	narrow-leaf sunflower	X	X	X			X	X			X	X		X
<i>Helianthus divaricatus</i>	woodland sunflower	X	X	X		X	X	X			X		X	
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	oxeye sunflower	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Iris prismatica</i>	slender blueflag		X				X				X	X		X
<i>Iris virginica</i>	Virginia blue flag		X	X			X	X			X	X		X
<i>Kosteletskya virginica</i>	seashore mallow	X		X			X				X			X
<i>Lespedeza capitata</i>	round-head bush clover	X		X		X	X	X			X			X
<i>Liatris graminifolia</i>	grass-leaf blazing star	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Liatris spicata</i>	spiked blazing star	X	X	X			X				X	X		X
<i>Liatris squarrosa</i>	plains blazing star	X	X	X			X				X	X		X
<i>Lilium canadense</i>	Canada lily		X			X	X				X	X		X
<i>Lilium philadelphicum</i>	wood lily		X			X					X	X		X
<i>Lilium superbum</i>	Turk's cap lily		X			X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	cardinal flower	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	great blue lobelia	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	lupine, sundial lupine		X			X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	monkeyflower		X	X	X	X	X	X			X			X
<i>Monarda didyma</i>	bee balm	X	X	X		X					X	X		X
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	wild bergamot	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i>	sundrops	X	X	X		X	X	X			X			X
<i>Opuntia humifusa</i>	Eastern prickly-pear	X	X	X		X	X	X				X		X
<i>Penstemon laevigatus</i>	smooth beardtongue		X			X	X	X			X	X		X
<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	obedient plant		X	X		X	X				X	X		X
<i>Pycnanthemum incanum</i>	hoary mountain mint	X		X		X	X	X			X			X
<i>Pycnanthemum tenuifolium</i>	narrow-lvd mountain mint	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X		X

<i>Rhexia virginica</i>	Virginia meadow-beauty	X	X		X	X	X		X		X		X
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>	early coneflower		X	X		X			X	X		X	X
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	black eyed Susan		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cut-leaved coneflower	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	three-lobed coneflower	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Sagittaria latifolia</i>	broadleaf arrowhead	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X
<i>Salvia lyrata+</i>	lyre-leaf sage			X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Saururus cernuus</i>	lizard's tail		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Senecio aureus+</i>	golden ragwort	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Senna marilandica</i>	Maryland wild senna		X	X		X	X	X		X			X
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	cup plant	X		X		X	X			X	X	X	
<i>Solidago caesia</i>	bluestem goldenrod	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Solidago rugosa+</i>	rough-stemmed goldenrod	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Solidago sempervirens</i>	seaside goldenrod	X	X	X			X			X	X		X
<i>Tradescantia virginiana</i>	Virginia spiderwort		X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	
<i>Viola pedata</i>	bird's foot violet	X	X			X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Yucca filamentosa</i>	common yucca	X	X			X	X	X			X		X
<i>Zephyranthes atamasco</i>	Atamasco lily		X	X			X			X	X		X
Ferns													
<i>Onoclea sensibilis+</i>	sensitive fern		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i>	cinnamon fern		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Woodwardia virginica+</i>	Virginia chain fern		X	X				X		X	X	X	X
Grasses, sedges, rushes													
<i>Agrostis perennans</i>	autumn bentgrass			X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X
<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	big bluestem	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Andropogon glomeratus</i>	bushy bluestem		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Andropogon virginicus</i>	broomsedge		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Arundinaria gigantea</i>	wild cane, river cane	X		X		X				X	X	X	X
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	bluejoint reedgrass	X		X		X				X	X		X
<i>Carex crinita</i> var. <i>crinita</i>	long hair sedge	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Carex lurida</i>	sallow sedge	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X

<i>Carex stricta</i>	tussock sedge	x	x		x	x	x		x	x		x	x
<i>Danthonia sericea</i>	silky oatgrass	x	x		x	x	x		x	x		x	x
<i>Danthonia spicata</i>	poverty oatgrass	x	x		x	x	x		x	x		x	x
<i>Dichanthelium clandestinum</i>	deer-tongue	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
<i>Dulichium arundinaceum</i>	dwarf bamboo	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x
<i>Elymus hystrix</i>	bottlebrush grass	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
<i>Festuca rubra</i>	red fescue	x		x	x			x		x	x	x	x
<i>Juncus canadensis</i>	Canada rush	x		x			x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	soft rush	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Leersia oryzoides</i>	rice cutgrass	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	switch grass	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Saccharum giganteum</i>	giant plumegrass	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	little bluestem	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Scirpus cyperinus</i>	woolgrass bulrush	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	Indian grass	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Tridens flavus</i>	redtop	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Tripsacum dactyloides</i>	gama grass	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Zizania aquatica</i>	wild rice	x	x	x			x			x		x	x
Shrubs													
<i>Aronia arbutifolia</i>	red chokeberry		x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>	black chokeberry		x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Baccharis halimifolia</i>	high tide bush		x	x			x			x		x	x
<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	New Jersey tea	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Cornus amomum</i>	silky dogwood	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Myrica cerifera</i>	Southern wax myrtle	x	x	x			x			x	x	x	x
<i>Myrica heterophylla</i>	Southern bayberry	x	x	x			x			x	x	x	x
<i>Myrica pensylvanica</i>	Northern bayberry	x	x	x			x			x	x	x	x
<i>Rhododendron catawbiense</i>	Catawba rhododendron		x	x		x	x			x	x	x	x
<i>Rhododendron prinophyllum</i>	rose azalea	x	x			x				x	x	x	x
<i>Rhododendron viscosum</i>	swamp azalea		x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Rubus allegheniensis</i>	Alleghany blackberry	x	x	x		x	x			x	x	x	x
<i>Salix humilis</i>	prairie willow		x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Salix sericea</i>	silky willow		x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	common elderberry	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x	x	x

<i>Spiraea alba</i>	narrow-lvd meadowsweet	X	X	X		X				X		X	
<i>Spiraea latifolia</i>	broad-leaved meadowsweet	X	X	X		X				X		X	
Small trees													
<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	downy serviceberry	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>	Canada serviceberry	X	X	X		X	X	X			X		X X
<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	redbud (Eastern)		X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Chionanthus virginicus</i>	fringetree		X			X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Rhus glabra</i>	smooth sumac	X	X	X		X	X	X			X		X X
<i>Rhus hirta</i>	staghorn sumac	X	X	X		X	X	X			X		X
Medium & Large Trees													
<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	persimmon	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X X
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua+</i>	sweetgum		X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X X
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	black gum	X	X	X		X	X	X			X	X	
<i>Pinus serotina+</i>	pond pine	X	X	X				X			X		X X
<i>Prunus pensylvanica</i>	pin cherry, fire cherry	X		X		X				X	X		X
<i>Prunus serotina+</i>	wild black cherry	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	scarlet oak	X	X			X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Quercus falcata</i>	Southern red oak	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X		X X
<i>Quercus ilicifolia</i>	bear oak	X		X		X	X					X	
<i>Quercus montana</i>	chestnut oak	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Quercus stellata</i>	post oak	X	X	X		X	X	X				X	
<i>Quercus velutina</i>	black oak	X		X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	black locust			X		X	X	X		X	X		X
<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	sassafras			X		X	X	X		X	X		X X

+ May be aggressive in garden setting.