



Phantom Gardener Information
Why Plant Natives?

At the Phantom Gardener we can't get enough of Native Plants!

Here are just some of the reasons we love them...

Hardier than exotic imports

Require less care

Less water

Less fertilizers

Better for the environment (and your wallet)

Mesh better with natural landscape elements—such as soils and climate.

Sustain wildlife.

Can be used to create stunning design effects!!

Look for signs denoting some of these native plants
around our yard!

Acer saccharum 'Green Mountain' Sugar Maple

Amelanchier Canadensis Serviceberry

Amorpha fruticosa False Indigo

Betula nigra 'Summer Cascade' River Birch

Ceanothus americanus New Jersey Tea

Cephalanthus occidentalis Buttonbush

Chionanthus virginicus White Fringetree

Clethra alnifolia Summersweet

Corylus Americana American Hazelnut

Diervilla lonicera Northern Bush Honeysuckle

Fothergilla sp. Witch-Alder

Helenium Helen's Flower

Ilex Glabra Inkberry

Ilex opaca American Winterberry

Opuntia Prickly Pear

Panicum sp. Switchgrass

Pycnanthemum muticum Mountainmint

Rudbeckia hirta sp. Gloriosa Daisy

Solidago sp. Goldenrod

Vaccinium sp. Blueberry

Native Plants for butterflies

Attract the most beautiful pollinators to your yard.

Hosts for the caterpillars:

Alder
Black Birch
Black Willow
Elm
Hackberry
Hibiscus
Milkweed
Mountain Mint
New Jersey Tea
Pawpaw
Sassafras
Spicebush
Sumac
Sweet Pepperbush
Tulip popular
Viburnum
White Oak
White Turtlehead
Wild Cherry
Wild Oats

Nectar for butterflies:

Amsonia
Aster
Black-Eyed Susan
Buttonbush
Cardinal Flower
Dogwood

Goldenrod
Hibiscus
Ironweed
Joe-Pye Weed
Mallow
New Jersey Tea
Purple Coneflower
Swamps Milkweed
Verbena
Viburnum

Native Plants for Rain Gardens:

Improve your water quality by naturally filtering runoff through the soil

Wildflowers, Grasses, Ferns, and Sedges

Blue Flag Iris
Blue Lobelia
Cardinal Flower
Cinnamon Fern
Common Ironweed
Fox Sedge
Joe-Pye Weed
Lady Fern
Monkey Flower
New England Aster
Oswego Tea
Rice Cut Grass
Royal Fern
Shallow Sedge
Swamp Milkweed
Switchgrass
Tussock Sedge
Virginia Bluebells

White Turtlehead
Wild Geranium
Accent your rain garden with native trees and shrubs so it becomes an attractive addition to your landscape

Native Food for Native Fauna:

Feed our furry and feathered friends (and in some cases even yourself)

American Plums
Arrowwood
Black Cherries
Blach
Huckleberries
Black Walnuts
Blackcap
Raspberries
Blackhaw
Blueberries
Crabapples
Elderberries
Fragrant Sumac
Hollies
Pawpaws
Persimmons
Possumhaw
Red Mulberry
Serviceberries
Wild Rasins