

Planting For Pollinators

Gardening to encourage pollinators allows us to understand and appreciate a part of nature we usually don't notice.

Most people know that bees are important pollinators, but that's not all. Many species of Butterflies, Bats, Birds, Moths, Flies, Wasps, and even mammals are also pollinators.

April

Corneliancherry dogwood - *Cornus mas*
Red maple - *Acer rubrum*
Mt. Pieris - *Pieris floribunda*
Winter-fragrant honeysuckle - *Lonicera fragrantissima*
Virginia bluebells - *Mertensia virginica*
Dandelions

May

Alternate leaf dogwood - *Cornus alternifolia*
American holly - *Ilex opaca*
Crabapple - *Malus* spp.
Serviceberry - *Amelanchier laevis*
Tupelo - *Nyssa sylvatica*
Bearberry - *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*
Blueberry - *Vaccinium corymbosum*
Fothergilla - *Fothergilla major*, *F. gardenii*
Inkberry - *Ilex glabra*
Red-veined Enkianthus - *Enkianthus campanulatus*
Shadbush - *Amelanchier canadensis*
Redbud - *Cercis canadensis*
Winterberry - *Ilex verticillata*
May Night salvia - *Salvia May Night*
Chives: *Allium schoenoprasum*
Columbine - *Aquilegia canadensis*, *Aquilegia hybrids*
Hardy geranium - *Geranium* spp.
Mountain bluet - *Centaurea montana*

Lavender
Oregano
Rosemary
Calendula
Cosmos
Mallows
Nasturtium
Snapdragon
Sunflower
Verbena bonariensis

August

Blue mist shrub - *Caryopteris x clandonensis*
Chaste tree - *Vitex* spp.
Glossy abelia - *Abelia grandiflora*
Autumn Joy sedum - *Sedum* spp.
Sneeseweed - *Helenium autumnale*

September

Seven-son flower - *Heptacodium miconioides*
Golden rod - *Solidago* spp.
New York ironweed - *Veronia novaboracensis*

October

Witch hazel - *Hamamelis virginiana*
Aster - *Aster* spp. Sheffield pink Chrysanthemum
Nippon daisy - *Chrysanthemum nipponicum*

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Ornamental Onions - *Allium*, various species
Moss phlox - *Phlox subulata*
Woodland phlox - *Phlox divaricata*

June

American linden - *Tilia americana*
Tulip tree - *Liriodendron tulipifera*
Yellowwood - *Cladrastis kentuckea*
Smooth hydrangea - *Hydrangea arborescens*
Beebalm - *Monarda didyma*
Bellflower - *Campanula* spp.
Borage - *Borago officinalis*
Catmint - *Nepeta* spp.
Mountain mint - *Monarda punctata*
Foxglove - *Digitalis* spp.
Pincushion flower - *Scabiosa caucasica*
Queen Anne's Lace
Stokes aster - *Stokesia laevis*
Thyme - *Thymus* spp.
Yarrow - *Achillea* spp.

July

Goldenrain tree - *Koelreuteria paniculata*
Sourwood - *Oxydendrum arboreum*
Sweet Peperbush - *Clethra alnifolia*
Ninebark - *Physocarpus opulifolius* Diablo Summer Wine
Panicle hydrangea - *Hydrangea paiculata*
Shining sumac - *Rhus coppalina*
Butterfly bush - *Buddleia davidii*
Black eye Susan - *Rudebeckia* spp.
Butterfly weed - *Asclepias tuberosa*
Coneflower - *Echinacea purpurea*
Coreopsis - *Coreopsis grandiflora*, *C lanceolata*, *C verticillata*
Flase sunflower - *Heliopsis* Summer Sun
Gayfeather - *Liatris spicata*
Globe thistle - *Echinops ritro*
Anise hyssop - *Agastaches* spp.
Swap milkweed - *Asclepias incarnate*
Dill