

## Rain Garden Plants

Do you have an area in your yard where rainwater tends to accumulate? If you do and you want to find a way to alter your landscape to make it more appealing, you can start by putting in a rain garden. A rain garden is defined as a depressed area of a landscape that collects rainwater from a roof, driveway, or street and allows it to soak into the ground. This is done through the use of grasses and perennials that can filter pollutants from rainwater and provide a home and food for butterflies, song birds, and other wildlife. Below you will find a list of plants that work well in rain gardens carried by Schalow's Nursery.

### Perennials

- Swamp Milkweed
- New England aster
- Coneflower
- Joe-Pye Weed
- Liatris
- Cardinal Flower
- Black-Eyed Susan

### Grasses

- Big Bluestem
- Blue Grama
- Switch Grass
- Little Bluestem



Figure 1 How a rain garden works

### Shrubs and Trees

- Serviceberry
- Chokeberry
- Pagoda Dogwood
- Gray Dogwood
- Red-osier Dogwood
- Nannyberry



Figure 2 How a rain garden could look in your landscape