

Lists of native wildflowers and where to find them for sale

From the Perennial Favorites workshop

The Natural Gardener and the Wooded Lot

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List 1: Great Lakes perennial wildflowers by site preference

Site description

Plants for that site, in alpha order by common name

The first set of plants given for each site is from list 2 (common species);

The second set of plants is from list 3 (uncommon species)

Initial following plant name [(A), etc.] is first letter of scientific name, to facilitate reference to list 2 or 3

Woods edge

Asters (A), bottle gentian (G), Canada anemone (A), culver's root (V), Joe pye (E), old man's whiskers (G), pearly everlasting (A), purple meadow rue (T), showy goldenrod (S), spiderwort (T), tall goldenrod (S), thin-leaved sunflower (H), white snakeroot (E)

calico aster (A), dotted monarda (M), early meadow rue (T), flat-topped aster (A), heartleaf aster (A), spreading dogbane (A), woodland strawberry (F), wood lily (L)

Average woods, part shade to shade

Celadine (S), Eastern columbine (A), false Solomon's seal (S), great blue lobelia (L), hairy beard-tongue (P), hepatica (H), mayapple (P), partridgeberry (M), Solomon's seal (P), trillium (T), twinleaf (J), violets (V), wild geranium (G), wild ginger (A)

bellwort (U), big-leaved aster (A), blue cohosh (C), hairy goldenrod (S), sarsaparilla (A), sleepy catchfly (S), spring beauty (C), sweet cicely (O), woods anemone (A)

Dry woods, part shade and filtered light

Harebell (C), false sunflower (H), Maximilian sunflower (H), smooth aster (A), starry false Solomon's seal (S), tickseed (C), wild bergamot (M), wintergreen (G), woodland sunflower (H)

hairy puccoon (L), hoary puccoon (L), sky-blue aster (A), tick trefoil (D), trailing arbutus (E), white goldenrod (S)

Dry woods, shade to dense shade

Lady fern (F), male fern (F), yellow lady's slipper (C)

beard lily (C), bracken fern (F), bristly sarsaparilla (A), dolls' eyes (A), orchids (O), parasitic plants (P), pipsissewa (C), racemed milkwort (P), red baneberry (A), shinleaf (P), wild basil (S), wild lily of the valley (M), wood betony (P)

Moist, rich, climax woods

Bloodroot (S), bluestem goldenrod (S), bunchberry (C), cardinal flower (L), creeping forget-me-not (M), Dutchman's breeches (D), foamflower (T), Jerusalem artichoke (H), Joe Pye (E), New England aster (A), obedient plant (P), prairie false indigo (B), squirrel corn (D), toothwort (D), turtlehead (C), Virginia bluebells (M), woodland phlox (P)

False rue-anemone (I), ginseng (P), grass of Parnassus (P), miterwort (M), rough-leaved goldenrod (S), woodbine (C)

Wet woods

Bluestem goldenrod (S), Christmas fern (F), dogtooth violet (E), fringed loosestrife (L), Jack in the pulpit (A), marsh marigold (C), queen of the prairie (F), skunk cabbage (S), tall sunflower (H)

black snakeroot (S), blue-eyed Mary (C), bog goldenrod (S), buckbean (M), dwarf ginseng (P), forked aster (A), goldthread (C), Michigan lily (L), northern comandra (C), richweed (C), swamp aster (A), swamp candles (L), wild calla (C), woodnymph (M), zig-zag goldenrod (S)

List 2: Great Lakes perennial wildflowers for the woods Species commonly seen and relatively easy to purchase

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Anaphalis margaritacea (pearly everlasting) white, Aug., woods edge, filtered light, sandy

Anemone canadensis (Canada anemone) white, June, woods edge to shade, wet to dry

Aquilegia canadensis (eastern columbine) red/yellow, May-June, part shade

Arisaema triphyllum (jack in the pulpit/memory root) green/maroon, May, shade, moist to wet

Asarum canadense (wild ginger) maroon, April-May, shade to part shade

Aster spp. (a.k.a. *Symphotrichum* spp.)

A. laevis (smooth aster) white+, Sept, woods edge, dry

A. novae-angliae (New England aster) purple+, Aug.-Sept., woods edge, moist

Baptisia leucantha/lactea (prairie false indigo) white, June, woods edge to filtered light

Campanula rotundifolia (harebell/bellflower) violet, June-July, woods edge to part shade, dry

Chelone glabra (turtlehead) white/pink, August, filtered light to shade, moist

Coreopsis lanceolata (tickseed) yellow, Jun-Jul, woods edge to filtered light, dry to moist
Cornus canadensis (bunchberry) white, May, shade, acid soil
Cypripedium calceolarus (yellow lady's slipper) yellow, summer, shade to dense shade, dry
Dicentra canadensis (squirrel corn) white, April, filtered light to shade
Dicentra cucullaria (Dutchman's breeches) white, April, filtered light to shade
Erythronium americanum (Dogtooth violet / trout lily) filtered light to dense shade, moist to wet
Eupatorium purpureum (Joe pye) mauve, August, woods edge, moist
Eupatorium rugosum (white snakeroot) white, Aug-Sep, woods edge to part shade, moist to wet
 Ferns!!
Athyrium filix-femina (lady fern) shade, dry to moist
Athyrium filix-mas (male fern), shade, dry to moist
Polystichum acrostichoides (Christmas fern) shade, moist to wet
Filipendula rubra (Queen of the prairie) pale pink, June-August, woods edge to filtered light, moist to wet
Gaultheria procumbens (wintergreen) white, Jun, shade to filtered light, dry
Gentiana andrewsii (closed / bottle gentian) blue, Aug-Sep, woods edge, moist to wet
Geranium maculatum (wild geranium/spotted cranesbill) violet, May-Jun, part shade to shade, moist to dry
Geum triflorum (old man's whiskers) reddish pink to purple, May-June, woods edge
Helianthus spp. (sunflowers)
H. decapetalus (thin-leaved sunflower) yellow, Aug, woods edge
H. divaricatus (woodland sunflower) yellow, Jul, woods edge to filtered light and part shade, dry to moist
H. giganteus (tall sunflower) yellow, Jul, part shade to dense shade, wet
H. maximiliani (Maximilian sunflower) yellow, Jul-Aug, dry, woods edge to filtered light to part shade
H. tuberosus (Jerusalem artichoke) yellow, Aug., moist, woods edge to part shade
Heliopsis helianthoides (false sunflower/ox-eye) yellow, July, woods edge to part shade, moist to dry
Hepatica acutiloba, *H. americana* (liverwort, hepatica) violet, May, shade
Jeffersonia diphylla (twinleaf) white, May, shade to filtered light
Lobelia cardinalis (cardinal flower/redbirds) red, Jul-Aug, part shade to filtered light and shade, moist to wet
Lobelia siphilitica (great blue lobelia) blue, Jul-Aug, part shade to filtered light, moist
Lysimachia ciliata (fringed loosestrife) yellow, Jul, woods edge to part shade, moist to wet
Mertensia virginica (Bluebells), blue, May, moist
Mitchella repens (partridgeberry) white-pink, Jun, shade

Monarda fistulosa (wild bergamot) mauve, Jul, woods edge to part shade, dry to wet
Myosotis scorpioides (creeping forget-me-not) blue, May-Jul, part sun to shade, moist
Penstemon hirsutus (hairy beardtongue) pink, Jun-Jul, woods edge to filtered light
Phlox divaricata (woodland phlox / wild blue phlox) pink, blue, May-Jun, part shade to shade, rich (climax) woods
Physostegia virginiana (obedient plant/false dragonshead) pink/white, July, woods edge, moist
Podophyllum peltatum (mayapple) green-white, May, shade to part shade
Polygonatum biflorum a.k.a. *P. commutatum* (Solomon's seal) white, May-June, shade
Sanguinaria canadensis (bloodroot) white, April, shade
Smilacina racemosa a.k.a. *Maianthemum racemosum* (false Solomon seal) white, June, shade to part shade
Smilacina stellata (starry false Solomon's seal) white, Jun, shade/part shade, sandy soil
Solidago spp (goldenrod)
 S. altissima (tall goldenrod) yellow, Sep, woods edges
 S. caesia (bluestem goldenrod) yellow, Sep, rich woods, wet to dry
 S. canadensis (Canada goldenrod) yellow, Jul-Aug, woods edge
 S. speciosa (showy goldenrod) yellow, Aug, filtered light
Stylophorum diphyllum (celandine/celandine poppy) yellow, May-June, shade
Symplocarpus foetidus (skunk cabbage) green, Mar, part shade to shade, wet
Thalictrum dasycarpum (purple meadow rue) white-lavender, June, moist to wet woods edge to part shade and filtered light
Tiarella cordifolia (foamflower) white, May, shade to dense shade, rich (climax) woods
Tradescantia spp. (spiderwort) violet/white, June, part shade to woods edge
Trillium spp. shade to part shade
 T. cernuum (nodding trillium)
 T. erectum (red trillium)
 T. grandiflorum (trillium) white, May, shade
Veronicastrum virginicum (culver's root) white, July, woods edge to filtered light, moist
Viola canadensis, *V. eriocarpa*, *V. pedata*, *V. pubescens*, *V. papilionacea* (violets: Canada, birdsfoot, yellow smooth, downy, common blue and many other of the 20+ native species) blue, white, yellow, spring (fall), shade, moist to dry

**List 3: Great Lakes perennial wildflowers for the woods,
Species uncommon at nurseries**

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- Actaea pachypoda* (doll's eyes) white, Jun, then white berries, Jul, part shade to dense shade
Actaea rubra (red baneberry) white, Jun, then red berries, Jul, part shade to dense shade
Anemone quinquefolia (woods anemone), white, May, part shade to shade
Apocynum androsaemifolium (spreading dogbane) white, Jul-Aug, woods edge to part shade
Aralia hispida (bristly sarsaparilla) white, May, shade to part shade, dry sandy
Aralia nudicaulis (sarsaparilla) white, May, dense shade to part shade
Aster spp. (a.k.a. *Symphyotrichum* spp.)
 A. cordifolius (heart-leaf aster) blue, Aug, woods edge
 A. furcatus (forked aster) white-pink, Jul-Aug, part shade to shade, wet
 A. lateriflorus (calico / thousand leaf aster) white, August, woods edge to filtered light
 A. macrophyllus (big-leaved aster) blue-lav, Aug-Sep, woods edge to shade
 A. oolengtangiensis (sky-blue aster) part shade to filtered light, dry
 A. punicens (swamp / purple-stemmed aster), lav, Jul-Aug, woods edge, wet
 A. umbellatus (flat-topped aster) white, fall, woods edge
Calla palustris (wild calla) white, May-Jun, shade to dense shade, wet
Caulophyllum thalictroides (blue cohosh/papoose root) blue leaf, green/yellow, May, shade
Chimaphila umbellata (pipsissewa) pink, June, shade to dense shade, dry to wet, evergreen
Claytonia spp. (spring beauty), pink, April, woods edge to shade
Clematis virginiana (woodbine/wild clematis) white, Jul.-Aug., woods edge to part shade, moist to wet
Clintonia borealis (bead lily) yellow, May, shade to dense shade, wet to dry
Collinsia verna (blue-eyed Mary) blue, May, part shade to shade, wet
Collinsonia canadensis (richweed / horsebalm) yellow, Jul-Aug, shade to dense shade, moist to wet
Comandra livida, *C. umbellata* (northern comandra) white, summer, wet woods
Coptis trifolia (goldthread) white, spring, evergreen, wet
Dentaria spp. (toothwort) white, May, shade, moist
Desmodium glutinosum (tick trefoil) pink, Jun, woods edge to part shade, dry to moist
Epigaea repens (trailing arbutus) white, May-June, part shade to filtered light, dry woods (oak, aspen, pine)
Ferns
 (bracken fern)
Fragaria vesca (woodland strawberry) white, May-Jun, woods edge to part shade and filtered light
Isopyrum biternatum (false rue-anemone) white, Apr-May, moist woods

Lilium michiganense (Michigan lily) orange, July-August, part shade to shade, moist to wet
Lilium philadelphicum (wood lily) orange, July, woods edge to part shade
Lithospermum spp. (puccoon, hoary and hairy) yellow, Jun-Jul, woods edge to part shade and filtered light, dry
Lysimachia terrestris (swamp candle) yellow, Jul, woods edge to part shade, wet
Maianthemum canadense (wild lily of the valley) white, May, shade
Menyanthes trifoliata (Buckbean, bogbean) purple, June, wet
Mitella spp. (mitrewort) white, May-Jun, moist to wet
Monarda punctata (dotted monarda/horsemint) cream, July-August, woods edge
Moneses uniflora (woodnymph) white, late spring, wet, dense shade
Osmorhiza claytoni (sweet cicely) white, May, woods edge to shade
Panax quinquefolium (ginseng, mandrake) white, spring, moist
Panax trifolium (dwarf ginseng) white, spring, part shade, moist to wet
Orchids
Arethusa bulbosa (*Arethusa*)
Calopogon tuberosus (grass pink) pink, Jun-Jul, wet, part shade to dense shade
Calypso bulbosa (*calypso*) pink, summer, wet, shade to part shade
Cypripedium acaule (pink lady's slipper) shade to dense shade, dry to wet
Cypripedium arietinum (ram's head lady's slipper)
Habenaria hyperborea (tall northern bog orchid) Jun-Jul, green, wet, shade
Orchis spectabilis (Showy orchis) Jun-Jul
Parasitic plants
Conopholis americana (squawroot) yellow, May
Corallorhiza spp. (coral root) coral, summer
Monotropa hypopithys (pinesap) pink-red, Jun-Jul
Monotropa uniflora (Indian pipe) white, Jun-Jul
Parnassia glauca (grass of parnassus) white, July, part shade to shade, moist
Pedicularis canadensis (wood betony / lousewort) pink, May, dry, part shade to dense shade
Polygala polygama (racemed milkwort) pink, Jun-Jul, dry, part shade to shade
Pyrola spp. (shinleaf) white-green, spring, dense shade, moist to dry
Sanicula marilandica (black snakeroot), white, Jun, shade, wet
Satureja vulgaris a.k.a. *Clinopodium vulgaris* (wild basil / dogmint) lavender, summer-fall, shade to woods edge, moist to dry
Silene antirrhina (sleepy catchfly) pink, July, shade to filtered light and part shade
Solidago spp (goldenrod)
S. bicolor (white goldenrod) yellow, part shade to filtered light, dry
S. flexicaulis (zig-zag goldenrod) yellow, Aug, part shade to shade, wet
S. hispida (hairy goldenrod) yellow, Jul-Aug, part shade and filtered light, sandy
S. rugosa (rough leaved goldenrod) yellow, part shade to shade, moist
S. uliginosa (bog goldenrod) yellow, Aug-Sep, shade to part shade, wet
Thalictrum dioicum (early meadow rue) white-pink, May, shade to part shade
Uvularia grandiflora (bellwort/merrybells) yellow, May, shade

Nursery Sources for Great Lakes Native Species

The following are wholesale nurseries (W) and retail (R) which carry one or more of the species (t/trees, s/shrubs, p/perennials) covered in this workshop.

American Roots Native Plant Nursery, 1958 Hidden Lake Trail, Ortonville, MI

248-627-8525 americanrootsnat@aol.com (R, p)

Arrowhead Alpines, P.O. Box 857, 1310 N. Gregory Road, Fowlerville, MI 48836,

(517) 223-3581 (R,W; t,s,p) www.arrowhead-alpines.com

Blazing Star Nursery, 2107 Edgewood Dr., Woodstock, IL 60098, (815) 338-4716

(W, R, p)

Bluebird Nursery, Box 460, 519 Bryan Street, Clarkson, NE 68629, (800) 356-

9164 (W, p)

Cold Stream Farm, 2030 Free Soil Rd., Free Soil, MI 49411 (616) 464-5809 (t,s

seedlings) www.coldstreamfarm.net

Forestfarm, 990 Tetherow Road, Williams, OR 97544-9599, (541) 846-7269 (R,

t,s,p) www.forestfarm.com

Hartmann's Plant Company, P.O. Box 100, Lacota, MI 49063-0100 (269) 253-4281

(R, fruit t,s) www.hartmannsplantcompany.com

Hortech, P.O. box 533, Spring Lake, MI 49456-0533, (616) 842-1392 (W, s,p)

www.premiumplants.net

Landscape Alternatives, 1465 N. Pascal Street, St. Paul, MN 55108-2337, (612)

488-3142 (W)

Michigan Wildflower Farm, 11770 Cutler Road, Portage, MI 48875, (517) 647-

6010 e-mail to: wildflowers@voyager.net

www.michiganwildflowerfarm.com (R,W, p)

Native Plant Nursery, P.O. Box 7841, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-7841 734-667-3260

www.nativeplant.com (R, p)

Newaygo Conservation District Nursery, 1725 E. 72nd St., Newaygo, MI 49337 (231)

652-7493 (t, s, bare root) www.newaygodc.org

Oikos Tree Crops, P.O. Box 19425, Kalamazoo, MI 49019-0425 (269) 624-6233

www.oikostreecrops.com (t)

Possibility Place Nsy., 7548 W. Manhattan-Monee Rd., Monee, IL 60449, (708) 534-3988 (W,R,t,s) www.possibilityplace.com

Prairie Moon Nursery, Rt. 3, Box 163, Winona, MN 55987, (507) 452-1362 (R, p)

Prairie Nursery, P.O. Box 306, Westfield, WI 53964, (608) 296-3679 (R, p)

Sandhill Farm, 11250 10 Mile Rd, Rockford, MI 49341 616-691-8214

cherylt@iserv.net (R, p)

The Natural Garden, Inc., 38 W 443 HWY 64, St. Charles, IL 60175, (630) 584-0150 (W, R, p)

Walters Gardens, Inc. 1992 - 96th Avenue, P.O. Box 137, Zeeland, MI 49464-0137, (616) 772-4697 (W,p)

Wetlands Nursery, P.O. Box 14553, Saginaw, MI 48601 517-752-3492 (R, p)

Wildflowers From Nature's Way, R.R. 1, Box 62, Woodburn, IA 50275, (515) 342-6246 (R)

Wildtype Native Plant Nursery, 900 N. Every Road, Mason, MI 48854, 517-244-1140 www.wildtypeplants.com (R,t,s,p)