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August 21, 2006

Ms. Diane Tecic
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RE: Wildlife Preservation Fund Grant #06-010W

Workshops for Illinois Nursery Industry to Promote Use of Native Plants in Landscaping

Dear Ms. Tecic:

We have enclosed a copy of the published press releases and our final report for the Wildlife Preservation Fund Grant #06-0101W. This report includes: 1) workshop attendance summary, and 2) a binder containing both hard copies and electronic copies of materials that were developed for distribution at workshops. In addition to the six workshops offered to members of the Illinois Nursery Industry (25 people attended), two workshops were offered to gardeners (32 people attended). The Payment Request Certification Form will be forwarded separately.

At these workshops, attendees provided ideas for additional information that would be useful regarding use of native plants in landscaping. Ideas that arose at several workshops regarding a need for more information included:

1) propagation techniques for native plants including hands-on workshops,
2) research about maintenance and how to overwinter native plants,
3) economics studies to document the cost effectiveness of using native plants,
4) development of promotional materials for nurseries to promote native plants (i.e. posters, signage, labels),
5) education to remove the negative perception that native plants are weeds,
6) outreach including more workshops on native plants offered at conventions/ conferences attended by the Illinois Nursery Industry.

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We look forward to working on future projects in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to address some of the ideas generated in these workshops. Thank you for supporting this project.

Sincerely,

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cc: Bob Chesnut
Enclosures (3)

WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

Date	Location	#Invited		Nursery	Nature Center	Other		TOTAL
12/14/05	Charleston	16		5	0	2		7
02/10/06	Bloomington/ Normal	21		2	3	0		5
02/17/06	Decatur	18		1	0	0		1
02/24/06	Champaign/ Urbana	17		5	0	0		5
03/10/06	Peoria	12		2	0	1 (IDOT)		3
03/13/06	Springfield	#		3	1	0		4
						TOTAL		25
*03/07/06	Coles County Master Gardeners							28
*04/30/06	Allerton Park							4

#Unsure of the number because the invitations were sent by the Nature Center at Lincoln Memorial Garden

*Workshop For Gardeners

Increase Your Sales with Native Plants
Workshop for Retail Plant Nurseries

Monday, March 13, 2006
1:30-3:30 pm
Lincoln Memorial Garden and Nature Center, Springfield, IL

This free workshop will offer information for retail plant nurseries to learn more about opportunities available by offering native plants for use in landscaping to their customers. It is presented by faculty in the Biological Sciences Department of Eastern Illinois University. This workshop will provide information about:

- ✓ Expanding your market niche with native plants
- ✓ Native plants already used by retail nurseries
- ✓ Advantages of using native plants
- ✓ Native plant alternatives to invasive plants
- ✓ Horticultural traits of native plants
- ✓ Wholesale sources of native plants (including catalogs)
- ✓ Packet of information for reference after workshop

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Coordination of facilities

Increase Your Sales with Native Plants

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Overview of Topics

- Important factors to retail nurseries
- Expand market niches with native plants
- Current use of native plants by retail nurseries
- Advantages of using native plants
- Native species as alternatives to Illinois Exotic Weeds
- Horticultural traits of native plants
- Wholesale sources of native plants

Important Factors to Retail Nurseries

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Native vs. Non-native

- Native—
  Plants present in region prior to European settlement
- Non-native/Exotic/Alien/Introduced—
  Plants brought to region by humans (deliberate or accident)

Expand Market Niches with Native Plants

- "The use of natives in commercial, public, and residential landscapes is among the fastest growing areas in the Illinois Green Industry. The demand for these native plants are increasing at a record pace…."

Dave Bender, Executive Director
Illinois Nurserymen's Association
C-FAR Connection, Fall 2005

Expand Market Niches with Native Plants

- Interest at the National Level

Interest National Level Federal Government

- 1990 Mandate by Congress
- 1994 Clinton Administration – Executive Memorandum
- Bush Administration – "New American Garden Style"
- USEPA – "Green Landscaping with Native Plants"
- USDA – Conservation Reserve Program
- USDOT – "Operation Wildflower" with the Garden Clubs of America
- Midewin – 1st National Tallgrass Prairie

Interest National Level National Organizations

- National Wildlife Federation – "Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program"; "American Beauties"
- Audubon Society – "Bird and Butterfly Sanctuary Program"
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Research Center
- National Gardening Association

Expand Market Niches with Native Plants

- Interest at the National Level
- Interest at the State Level

Interest in Illinois Government Programs

- Illinois Department of Transportation – "Corridors for Tomorrow"
- First Lady's Wildflower Program – "State Beautification Initiative"; IDOT-Wildflowers for Illinois Gateways and Wildflowers for Communities
- State Capitol Building's Gardens
- Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC); Natural Landscaping for Public Officials: A Source Book
- University of Illinois Extension Service Program – "Easy Care Native Plants"
- Dr. Coons' CFAR Project with Master Gardeners and Native Plants
- Native Plant Display Gardens at the State Fairgrounds in Springfield

Interest in Illinois
Businesses; Corporations; Schools

- Fermilab in Batavia
- Sears Corporate Headquarters, Hoffman Estates
- McDonald's Corporate Headquarters, Oak Brook
- Olympia Fields Country Club, Olympia Fields
- Wheaton-Warrenville South High School, Wheaton
- Eastern Illinois University Native Plant Gardens, Charleston

Interest in Illinois
Public Gardens

- Chicago Botanic Gardens
- Morton Arboretum
- Chicago Park District
- Urbana Park District

Interest in Illinois
Cities and Communities

- Hoffman Estates
- Long Grove
- Prairie Crossings in Grayslake

Interest Illinois Organizations

- The Chicago Wilderness Society
- The Illinois Native Plant Society
- The "Wild Ones" Organization
- Nature Centers
- Grand Prairie Friends—Prairie Grove Volunteers (Annual Plant Sale)

Expand Market Niches with Native Plants

- Interest at the National Level
- Interest at the State Level
- Interest in Surrounding States

Interest In Surrounding States

- Indiana – Prairie Reconstruction Project; Native Plant Society
- Missouri - "Grow Wild Program"; Native Plant Society
- Missouri Botanical Garden-Kemper Center for Home Landscaping
- Wisconsin – "Wild Ones" Organization; Lorrie Otto
- Iowa – The Iowa Prairie Network Services
- Madison, Wisconsin-1st Major City in the US to Modify Its "Weed Laws" to Allow for Natural Landscaping; Aldo Leopold

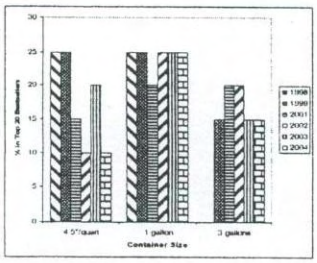
Misconception

- Native Plants are simply weeds that have no attractive or desirable horticultural traits
- The Retail Nursery Industry currently sells several native plants or plants that were developed from natives
- Not promoting the idea of only selling natives

Current Use of Native Plants by Retail Nurseries

- See handouts in folder under the "popular" tab

% Natives in Top 20 Bestseller Perennials



Laurie McGhee, Hoffie Nursery, Inc., Union, IL

Top 9 Native Plants Used in Home Gardens--Sun

- Smooth beard-tongue (*Penstemon digitalis*)
- Tickseed coreopsis (*Coreopsis lanceolata*)
- New England aster (*Aster novae-angliae*)
- Grayhead coneflower (*Ratibida pinnata*)
- Missouri primrose (*Oenothera macrocarpa*)
- Purple prairie clover (*Dalea purpurea*)
- Missouri coneflower (*Rudbeckia missouriensis*)
- Butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)
- Button snakeroot (*Liatris pycnostachya*)

Tim Smith, 1997, Wildflower Favorites,
Missouri Department of Conservation

Top 3 Native Plants Used in Home Gardens—Shade

- Cardinal flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*)
- Purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)
- Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*)

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Missouri Department of Conservation

Perennials of the Year that are Native Species

- 1999 *Rudbeckia fulgida* var. *sullivantii*
  'Goldsturm'
- 1998 *Echinacea purpurea*
  'Magnus'
- 1996 *Penstemon digitalis*
  'Husker Red'

Perennial Plant of the Year Program
Perennial Plant Association, Hilliard, Ohio

Promoting Natives

- Have a native plant garden at the nursery
- Mention natives in advertising material
- Have stakes or stickers in/on the containers of native plants that identify them as natives
- Have a separate area for native plants
- Have a list of natives that your nursery carries available for customers
- Post pictures of native plants in the sales area
- Offer a workshop for customers on gardening with native plants

BREAK TIME

- Help yourself to the refreshments
- Signup for the door prize
- Pickup catalogs

Advantages of Using Native Plants

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- Low maintenance
  (save time and money)

Low Maintenance

- Reduce fertilizer
- Reduce insects
- Reduce diseases
- Reduce irrigation

Japanese beetle

http://entweb.clemson.edu/

Powdery mildew

http://plantclinic.cornell.edu

Threats to The Green Industry
(Product and Service Businesses)

- Threats identified as important or extremely important
- Water availability—42% of responses
- Chemical restrictions—41% of responses
- Increasing energy costs—76% of responses

The Illinois Green Industry—Its 2003 Economic Impact, Growth, and Characteristics, NRES, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL

Advantages of Using Native Plants

- Opportunity to provide another product niche
- Low maintenance
- Environmentally friendly

Environmentally Friendly

- Less chance to pollute soil and water (fewer fertilizers and pesticides)
- Attractive to native wildlife (such as butterflies, birds)
- Less apt to become invasive

Ruby-throated hummingbird

Bumblebee

Pumpkin spider

http://hummingbirdwebsite.com/gallery/index.htm

Invasive Plant Species

- Plant species (usually exotic) that establish in existing plant communities where they create threats to native communities
- Outcompete native vegetation/become dominant
- 50% of invasive plants brought to U.S. as garden plants
- Spend $3 billion/year to control non-native weeds in U.S.
- Occupy 100 million acres (4600 new acres/day)
- 80 plant species cause most damage

Examples of Invasive Plants

Trees	Shrubs	Vines	Herbaceous
Autumn olive *Elaeganus umbellata*	Common privet *Ligustrum vulgare*	Chinese yam *Dioscorea batatas*	Canada thistle *Cirsium arvense*
Black locust *Robinia pseudoacacia*	Japanese barberry *Berberis thunbergii*	Japanese honeysuckle *Lonicera japonica**	Garlic mustard *Alliaria petiolata*
Buckthorn species *Rhamnus* sp.*	Multiflora rose *Rosa multiflora**	Kudzu *Pueraria lobata**	Purple loosestrife* *Lythrum salicaria*
White mulberry *Morus alba*	Winged euonymus *Euonymus alatus*	Porcelain berry *Amelopsis brevipedunculata*	Teasel *Dipsacus* sp.

Abbreviated List: Nearly 300 invasive plants in U.S.
*Plants included in Illinois Exotic Weed Act

Laws Against Sales of Invasive Species in Other States

- Connecticut—fine $100 for selling
  (Dame's rocket, Shrub honeysuckle, etc.)
- Massachusetts—requires retailers to phase out sales of 12 invasive species often sold as garden plants
  (Forget-me-not, Japanese barberry, Burning bush, etc.)

The Wall Street Journal, August 19, 2005

Illinois Exotic Weed Act

- "It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, political subdivision, agency or department of the State to buy, sell, offer for sale, distribute or plant seeds, plants or plant parts of exotic weeds without a permit issued by the IDNR."

Illinois Exotic Weed Act, Section 10/4

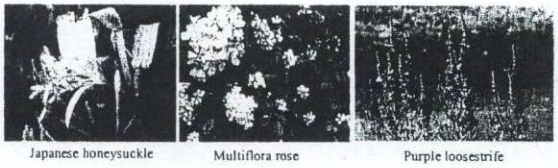
Illinois Exotic Weed Act

1987 Exotic Weeds Include:

Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*)

Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*)

Purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*)



Japanese honeysuckle Multiflora rose Purple loosestrife

Source: www.chicagobotanic.org/research/conservation/invasive_chicago.html

Illinois Exotic Weed Act

2003 Exotic Weeds Include:

Saw-toothed buckthorn (*Rhamnus arguta*)

Common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*)

Dahurian buckthorn (*Rhamnus davurica*)

Glossy buckthorn (*Rhamnus frangula*)

Japanese buckthorn (*Rhamnus japonica*)

Chinese buckthorn (*Rhamnus utilis*)

Kudzu (*Pueraria lobata*)

Kudzu

Common buckthorn

Source: www.chicagobotanic.org/research/conservation/invasive_chicago.html

Native Species as Alternatives to Illinois Exotic Weeds

- Japanese honeysuckle
- Multiflora rose
- Purple loosestrife
- Buckthorn sp.
- Kudzu

- Red honeysuckle
  Yellow honeysuckle
- Pasture rose
  Prairie rose
- Blazing star
  Obedient plant
- Shadbush
  Dogwood
- Virginia creeper
  Virgin's bower

Horticultural Traits of Native Plants

- Various Habits

Native Plants--Tree Habit

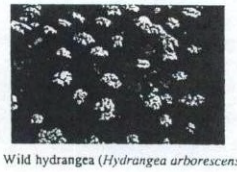
Bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*)

White pine (*Pinus strobus*)

Wild plum (*Prunus americana*)

Native Plants--Shrub Habit

Leadplant (*Amorpha canescens*)



Wild hydrangea (*Hydrangea arborescens*)

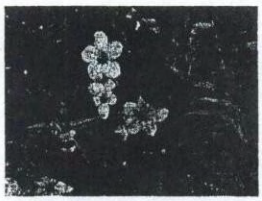
Native Plants--Vine Habit

Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*)

Bittersweet (*Celastrus scandens*)

Native Plants— Herbaceous Perennial Habit

Wild ginger (*Asarum canadense*)



Wild petunia (*Ruellia humilis*)

Horticultural Traits of Native Plants

- Various habits
- Various environmental needs

Natives for Sunny Dry Gardens (from prairies)

Bradbury's beebalm (*Monarda bradburiana*)

Stiff goldenrod (*Oligoneuron rigidum*)

Rattlesnake master (*Eryngium yuccifolium*)

Natives for Shady Moist Gardens (from woodlands)

Ohio buckeye (*Aesculus glabra*)

Sharp-lobed hepatica (*Hepatica acutiloba*)

Bird's-foot Violet (*Viola pedata*)

Dutchman's breeches (*Dicentra cucullaria*)

Natives for Pond Gardens (from wetlands)

Cardinal flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*)

Water lily (*Nymphaea* sp.)

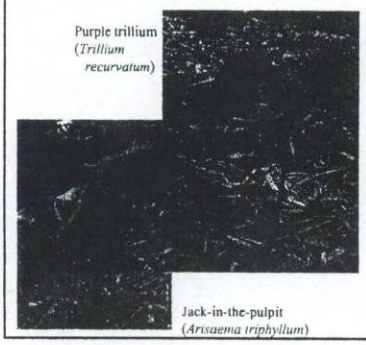
Pickerelweed (*Pontederia cordata*)

Swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)

Horticultural Traits of Native Plants

- Various habits
- Various environmental needs
- Various seasons

Native Plants—Spring Appeal



Purple trillium (*Trillium recurvatum*)

Jack-in-the-pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*)

Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)

Native Plants—Summer Appeal

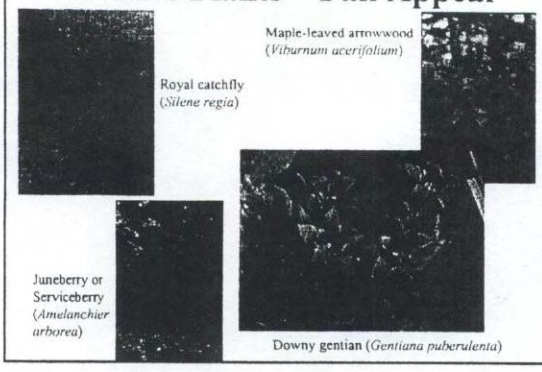
Maple-leaved arrowwood (*Viburnum acerifolium*)

Bradbury's Beebalm (*Monarda bradburiana*)

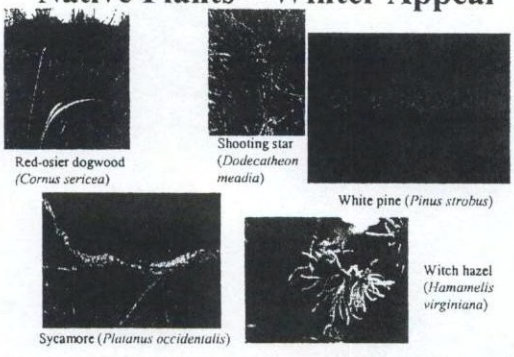
New Jersey tea (*Ceanothus americanus*)

Purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)

Native Plants—Fall Appeal



Native Plants—Winter Appeal



Horticultural Traits of Native Plants

- Various habits
- Various environmental needs
- Various seasons
- Attractive to wildlife

Native Plants—Attract Wildlife

Swamp milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) with Bumblebee

Butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) with Butterfly

Horticultural Traits of Native Plants

- Various habits
- Various environmental needs
- Various seasons
- Attractive to wildlife
- Attractive in garden situations

Native Plant Garden

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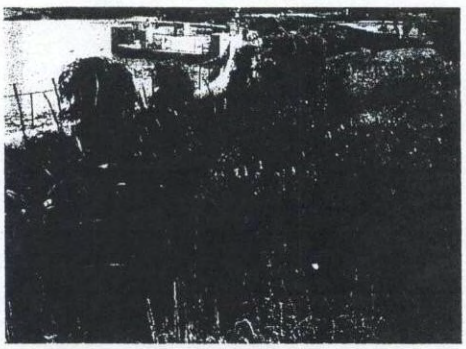

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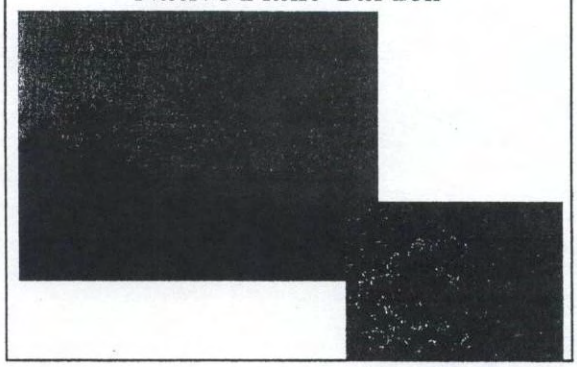

Wholesale Sources of Native Plants

- Database in binder
- Wholesale catalogs from some nurseries

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Illinois Wildlife Preservation Fund

Thanks for Coming

- Please complete feedback form
- Any questions?

Some of the Native Plants that are Currently Sold by Retail Nurseries

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Scientific Name	Cultivar(s)	Common Name
Asclepias tuberosa		Butterfly Milkweed
Aster novae-angliae	'Purple Dome'	New England Aster
Coreopsis lanceolata, C. grandiflora and *C. verticillata*	"Ruby Throat' and 'Grandiflora'	Coreopsis or Tickseed
Echinacea purpurea	'Magnus'; 'Sunrise'; 'Sunset'	Purple Coneflower
Gaillardia x *grandiflora*	'Goblin'	Blanket Flower
Gaura biennis	'Pink Lady'	Butterfly Weed
Glandularia canadensis		Rose Verbena
Helianthus annus	Many Popular Cultivars	Common Sunflower
and *H. maximilianii*		Maximilian Sunflower
Heliopsis helianthoides	'Summer Sun'	False Sunflower or Ox-Eye Sunflower
Liatris pycnostachya and *L. spicata*	'Kobold' and 'Gnome'	Blazing Star or Gay Feather
Monarda fistulosa and *M. didyma*		Wild Bergamont or Bee Balm
Oenothera biennis		Missouri Primrose
Penstemon digitalis	'Husker Red'	Beardstongue
Physostegia virginiana	'Vivid'	Obedient Plant or False Dragonhead
Rudbeckia hirta, R. sullivantii, R. fulgida, R. grandiflora and *R. laciniata*	Many Cultivars	Black-Eyed Susan, Gloriosa Daisy and Orange Coneflower
Salvia lyrata, and *S. azurea var. grandiflora*	'Purple Volcano' 'May Night'	Perennial Salvia or Sage
Sporobolus heterolepis		Dropseed
Tradescantia ohiensis and *T. virginiana*		Spiderwort

WOODLAND

Adiantum pedatum		Maidenhair Fern
Aquilegia canadensis		Columbine
Arisaema triphyllum		Jack-In-The-Pulpit
Dicentra eximia and *D. spectabilis*		Bleeding Heart
Delphinium tricorne & *D. virescens*		Prairie Larkspur, Larkspur

WOODLAND continued

Geranium maculatum		Wild Geranium
Lupinus perennis		Blue Lupine
Mertensia virginica		Virginia Bluebells
Myosotis scorpioides		Forget-Me-Not
Polygonatum commutatum		Solomon's Seal
Tradescantia virginiana		Spiderwort
Trillium grandiforum		Large Flowered Trillium

WETLANDS or WATER PLANTS

Lobelia cardinalis	'Ruby Slipper'	Cardinal Flower
Nymphaea odorata and N. tuberosa		Water Lilies

SHRUBS, VINES and GROUNDCOVERS

Callicarpa americana		Beautyberry
Campsis radicans		Trumpet Vine
Gaultheria procumbens		Creeping Winterberry
Ilex verticillata and *I. opaca*	'Afterglow'; 'Winter Red' 'Miss Helen'; 'Old Heavy Berry'	Holly
Lonicera sempevirens	'John Clayton'	Trumpet Honeysuckle
Parthenocissus quinquefolia		Virginia Creeper
Viburnum dentatum,	'BlueMuffin'	Arrowwood
and *V. trilobum*	Compactum'; 'Hahs'; 'Redwing'	American Cranberry Bush or Highbush Cranberry

GURNEY'S BEST SELLERS
2005 FALL CATALOGUE

Little Business Daylily
Lily of the Valley
Orange Butterfly Plant
Maximillian Sunflower
High-Traffic Grass Seed
Valentine Rhubarb

Two of the Six are Natives – the Orange Butterfly Plant and the Maximillian Sunflower

(see the back of this page)

Gurney's Best Sellers

Little Business Daylily

The Stella de Oro of Reds

The premiere red! Flaming crimson blooms all summer long. Dependable and vigorous, plants grow to 17 inches tall. Bareroot. Zones 3-9.

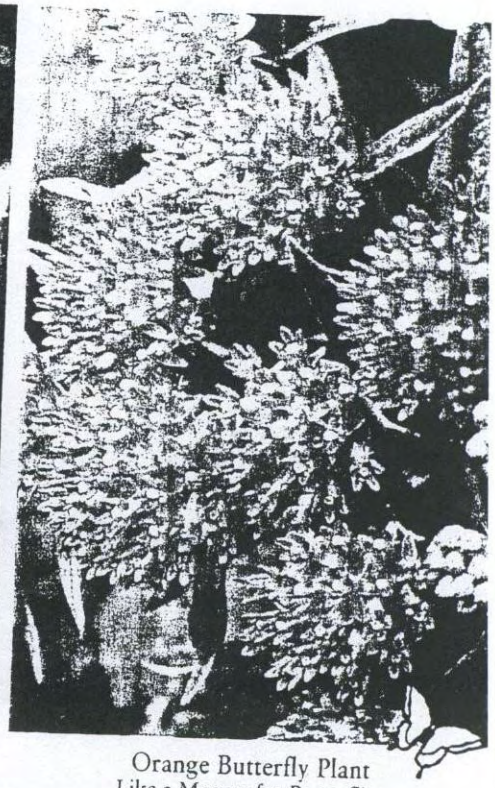
	1 Offer	3 Or More
09199	7.95	7.35 ea

Lily of the Valley

Fragrant Pick for Full to Partial Shade

Forms a carpet of graceful, 8-inch leaves. In mid-spring, bursts into a sweet-smelling shower of tiny bell flowers. Covers 7 1/2 sq. feet. Bareroot. Zones 2-7. For each offer ordered, get 6 plants.

	1 Offer	2 Or More
08993	9.95	8.95 ea



Orange Butterfly Plant

Like a Magnet for Butterflies

Bright orange flowers in early summer are follo y canoe-shaped seed pods. Grows 24-36 inches high. Full sun. Extremely drought tolerant. Bareroot. Zones 4-8.

	1 Offer	3 Or More
09052	3.95	3.65 ea

Maximillian Sunflower

Birds Love It!

Stands poor soils and intense heat. Churns out large yellow flowers in mid to late summer. A show-stopping 3-10 feet tall. Full sun. Bareroot. Zones 3-9.

	1 Offer	3 Or More
11016	4.95	4.45 ea

Garden Solutions High-Traffic Grass Seed

Fall Is the Best Time to Sow!

For a lush, beautiful lawn in high-traffic areas and on slopes. Premium blend has deep, vigorous roots and resilient blades that stand up to tough use. Stays out of flower beds; resists drought, disease and common lawn bugs! Apply 3 lbs. per 500 sq. ft. for new lawn. Zones 5-7. 3-lb. pkg.

	1 Offer	2-5 Offers	6 Or More
69568	11.95	10.75	9.70 ea

Valentine Rhubarb

The Tangy Taste Sensation

Canadians love rhubarb—and they gave this top marks for flavor. Perfect for Northern growers—hardy and quick to produce. Not available in NV, UT, WA.

	Size	1 Offer	2-3	4 Or More
13836	No. 1	6.95	6.50	6.25 ea

Perennial Plant Association

About PPA

Press Releases

Industry Calendar

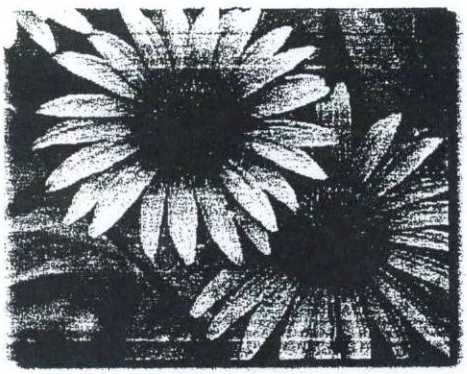
Internship Directory

Garden Guide

ppa@perennialplant.org

The Perennial Plant of the Year Program promotes the use of perennials. Four perennials are selected by the Perennial Plant of the Year Committee from an extensive list of nominations made earlier by PPA members. Each year members cast their vote for one of the four selected plants with the following attributes:

- suitable for a wide range of climate types
- low maintenance
- easily propagated - easily comes true from seed or vegetative propagation
- exhibits multiple seasonal interest



Perennial Plant of the Year Index:

2005 Helleborus xhybridus

2004 Athyrium niponicum 'Pictum'

2003 Leucanthemum 'Becky'

2002 Phlox 'David'

2001 Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster'

2000 Scabiosa columbaria 'Butterfly Blue'

1999 Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii 'Goldsturm'

1998 Echinacea purpurea 'Magnus'

1997 Salvia 'Mainacht' (May Night)

1996 Penstemon digitalis 'Husker Red'

1995 Perovskia atriplicifolia

1994 Astilbe 'Sprite'

1993 Veronica 'Sunny Border Blue'

1992 Coreopsis verticillata 'Moonbeam'

1991 Heuchera micrantha 'Palace Purple'

1990 Phlox stolonifera

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THE ILLINOIS EXOTIC WEED ACT AND THE SALE OF NON-NATIVE PLANTS IN ILLINOIS

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All wholesalers, nurseries and garden centers that sell or offer for sale or distribute exotic weeds in Illinois listed by the Exotic Weed Act are subject to being arrested for a Class B Misdemeanor with penalties of up to 6 months in jail and a fine of $1500.00. All exotic weeds listed by the Act that are offered for sale by the nurseries and garden centers in Illinois are also subject to confiscation and destruction by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). The IDNR will be actively enforcing the provisions of the Act and court actions will be brought against those who violate the requirement of the law.

The Illinois Exotic Weed Act: Its meaning and ramifications

Exotic weeds are plants not native to North America, which spread vegetatively or by seed and naturalize in the environment. Invasive exotic species degrade natural communities, reduce the value of fish and wildlife habitat, and threaten endangered or threatened species. A growing body of research demonstrates that invasive exotic species are the second largest - and probably fastest growing - threat to biodiversity locally and nationally. For example, of 1880 species classified as imperiled in the United States, invasive exotics played a major role in the listing of 49%. This was second only to habitat loss and was significantly higher than pollution, overexploitation and disease combined. Invasive exotic species also cause changes in ecosystem structure and function and increase degradation of unique regional biota.

The State of Illinois responded to this problem by passing the Illinois Exotic Weed Act in 1987. The Illinois Exotic Weed Act makes it unlawful to buy, sell, offer for sale, distribute, or plant seeds, plants or plant parts of exotic weeds in Illinois. Section 10/4 of the Act states the following: **It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, political subdivision, agency or department of the State to buy, sell, offer for sale, distribute or plant seeds, plants or plant parts of exotic weeds without a permit issued by the IDNR.**

The 1987 Act designated three species as exotic weeds in Illinois, thereby restricting the sale of Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), and purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*). The Illinois Exotic Weed Act was amended in 2003 by adding Common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), dahurian buckthorn (*Rhamnus davurica*), Japanese buckthorn (*Rhamnus japonica*), Chinese buckthorn (*Rhamnus utilis*), and kudzu (*Pueraria lobata*) to the list of designated exotic weeds.

Contrary to what some believe, there are no varieties, subspecies, or cultivars of any of the listed exotic species that can be legally sold in Illinois. For example, various forms of purple loosestrife are sometimes referred to as purple lythrum, lythrum, rainbowweed, salicaire and spiked and spiked loosestrife to name a few. *Lythrum salicaria* var. *gracilior*, *L. salicaria* var. *tomentosum* and *L. salicaria* var. *vulgare* are a sampling of the subspecies you might encounter. All of these falls under the plant name of purple loosestrife in regards to the Illinois Exotic Weed Act, which makes it unlawful for any person to buy, sell, offer for sale, or distribute any of them.

The only way a variety, subspecies or cultivar of any listed species can be legally bought, sold, distributed, or offered for sale as seeds, plants or plant parts, is with a permit issued by the IDNR. By law, such permits shall be issued only for experiments into controlling and eradicating exotic weeds or for research to demonstrate that a variety of a species listed in this Act is not an exotic weed as defined in Section 2 of the Act. Commercial propagation of exotic weeds for sale outside Illinois, certified under the Insect Pest and Plant Disease Act (505 ILCS 90/1 et seq.) is exempted from this provision of this section of the Act. Section 3 of the Illinois Exotic Weed Act allows the Director of the IDNR to exempt varieties of the species listed above. Exemptions are available to any buyer or seller who can demonstrate through published or current research that the varieties in question are not exotic weed(s) as defined in the first paragraph of this article. The information supporting the exemption can be submitted to the Director of the IDNR by petition. Violators of this Act can be charged with a Class B misdemeanor. Each day shall be considered a separate offense when the violation is a continuing offense. Exotic plants offered for sale in Illinois except as provided above are subject to confiscation and destruction by agents of the IDNR.

Again, the list is as follows:

The Illinois Exotic Weed Act

The Illinois Exotic Weed Act was last amended in 2003; therefore, the following list of plants is illegal to sell in Illinois:

Japanese Honeysuckle	*Lonicera japonica*
Multiflora Rose	*Rosa multiflora*
Purple Loosestrife	*Lythrum salicaria*
Common Buckthorn	*Rhamnus cathartica*
Glossy Buckthorn	*Rhamnus frangula*
Saw-toothed Buckthorn	*Rhamnus arguta*
Dahurian Buckthorn	*Rhamnus davurica*
Japanese Buckthorn	*Rhamnus japonica*
Chinese Buckthorn	*Rhamnus utilis*
Kudzu	*Pueraria lobata*

INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES ON THIS LIST WERE ON ONE OR MORE OF FOLLOWING LISTS:

Chicago Botanic Garden--Invasive Plants in the Chicago Region
American Lands Alliance/Faith Campbell--Worst invasive plant species in the continuous United States, for Illinois 1999
Illinois Department of Natural Resources, 2005
Illinois Exotic Weed Act
Illinois Natural History Survey--Early Detection Rapid Response
Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society--40 Worst Weeds of Indiana, 2000
Illinois Native Plant Society
Illinois Noxious Weeds List
Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie--List of Invasive Species
Vegetation Management Guideline by the Illinois Natural History Survey

PAINT=Plants Available in Nursery Trade

BLANKS=Data not yet found

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INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES--COMPILED FROM VARIOUS LISTS

genus species	common name	PAINT	protocol for control	Why introduced?	problem it causes
Acer ginnala	Amur maple	Yes			
Acer platanoides	Norway maple	Yes	physical	1762 as ornamental shade tree	invades woodlands
Aegopodium podagraria	Goutweed, Bishop's weed	yes			
Agropyron repens	Quack grass	Yes	burning, chemical		very aggressive and forms large patches
Ailanthus altissimia	Tree-of-heaven	Yes	physical, chemical	1780's as an ornamental tree	develops thickets and displaces vegetation
Albizzia julibrissin	Mimosa	no			
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic mustard	no	pulling, cutting, burning	brought to US for cooking and medicine	overtakes forests and disturbed habitats
Alnus glutinosa	European or Black alder	Yes	chemical	ornamental tree	
Alternanthera philoxeroides	Alligatorweed	Yes			
Ambrosia artemisiifolia	Common ragweed	no	physical, chemical		
Ambrosia trifida	Giant ragweed	no	physical, chemical		
Ampelopsis brevipedunculata	Porcelain berry	Yes	physical, chemical		shades out native vegitation
Arctium minus	Common burbock	Yes	physical, chemical		
Berberis thunbergii	Japanese barberry	Yes	physical, chemical	1800's cultivated in United States	shades out under story species
Berberis vulgaris	European barberry	Yes			
Bromus inermis	Smooth brome grass, Austrian brome	Yes	burning, chemical		
Butomus umbellatus	Flowering rush	Yes	physical	ornamental plant, often sold for water gardens	
Cannabis sativa	Marijuana	no			
Carduus nutans	Nodding musk thistle	Yes			
Celastrus orbiculatus	Oriental or round-leaved bittersweet	Yes		brought as an ornamental	climbs on trees and shrubs

Centaurea maculosa	Spotted knapweed, European star thistle	Yes physical, chemical, insect	1890 as contaminant in alfalfa or hay seed	has toxin that hinders/prevents growth of species
Cirsium arvense	Canada thistle	Yes	early 18th century as contaminant of crop seed	troublesome weed
Cirsium palustre	Marsh plume thistle, Swamp thistle	no		
Cirsium vulgare	Bull thistle	Yes	introduced as a seed contaminant	aggressive weed
Conium maculatum	Poison hemlock	Yes		
Coronilla varia	Crown vetch, trailing crown vetch	Yes		
Cotoneaster multiflorus	Many-flowered cotoneaster	Yes		
Daucus carota	Queen Anne's lace, Wild carrot	Yes physical, chemical		
Dioscorea batatas	Chinese yam, Hardy yam, Cinnamon vine, Air potato	Yes chemical	1800's as potential food source	forms matlike colonies that shade out vegetation
Dipsacus	Teasel	no		
Dipsacus laciniatus	Cut-leaved teasel	Yes		
Dipsacus sylvestris	Common teasel	no		
Echinops sphaerocephalus	Globe thistle	no		
Egeria densa	Common or Brazillian waterweed, elodea	Yes		
Elaeagnus	Autumn eleagnus	no		
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russain olive	Yes chemical		
Elaeagnus pungens	Thorny olive	no		
Elaeagnus umbellatus		Yes		
Eleaganus umbellata	Autumn olive	no	1940s planted to provide food shelter for wildlife	created thorny thicket

Epilobium hirsutum	Hairy willow weed/herb (Purple)	Yes physical, chemical	ornemental	dense monotypic stands crowd out native species
Euonymous fortunei	Wintercreeper or Climbing euonymous	Yes physical, chemical		
Euonymus alatus	Burning bush, Winged wahoo, Winged euonymus	Yes physical, chemical	1860's as ornamental shrub	replaces native shrubs
Euonymus europeaus	European spindletree	Yes		
Euphorbia cyparissias	Cypress spurge	Yes		
Euphorbia esula	Leafy spurge	no chemical, insect		outcompetes other vegetation, produces chemicals
Festuca arundinacea (=F. elatior)	Tall fescue	Yes burning, chemical	forage for livestock erosion control along streams	ungus that suppresses growth and animals sick
Festuca pratense	Meadow fescue	Yes		
Festuca pratensis	Fescue	no		
Glechoma hederacea	Ground ivy, Creeping Charlie	Yes		
Gypophila	Baby's breath	physical, chemical, no burning	brought as an ornamental	
Hedera helix	English ivy	no physical, chemical		dense colonies shade out other species
Hemerocallis fulva	Tawny daylily	Yes		
Heracleum manteganzzianum	Giant hogweed	no physical, chemical		
Hesperis matrionalis	Dame's rocket	Yes physical, chemical		
Hibiscus syriacus	Rose-of-Sharon	no		
Hippophae	Common sea buckthorn	no		
Hippophae rhamnoides		Yes		
Humulus japonicus	Japanese hop	no physical, chemical	ornamental	
Hydrilla verticillata	Hydrilla	no		

Hypericum perforatum	Common St. Johns-wort	Yes burning, physical		
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow flag or Water-flag iris	Yes physical, chemical	sold for garden pools	
Lespedeza bicolor	Shrubby bushclover	no		
Lespedeza cuneata/Lespedeza sericea	Chinese lespedeza, Sericea/Chinese bush clover	Yes physical, chemical	bank stabilization, soil improvement and forage	outcompetes vegitation
Ligustrum	Chinese privet	no		
Ligustrum obtusifolium	Border privet, Blunt-leaved privet	Yes		
Ligustrum vulgare	Common privet	Yes		
Linaria vulgaris	Butter-and-eggs	Yes physical, chemical	sold in wildflower mixes	
Lonicera	Bush honeysuckle	no		
Lonicera fragrantissima	January jasmine	no		
Lonicera japonica	Japanese honeysuckle	physical, burning, Yes chemical	1806 in New York as a landscape plant	smothers small trees and shrubs
Lonicera maackii	Amur honeysuckle	Yes physical, chemical	1896 to North America	reduce plant diversity
Lonicera morrowii	Morrow's honeysuckle	Yes physical, chemical	1800s to United States	reduce plant diversity
Lonicera tatarica	Tatarian honeysuckle	Yes physical, chemical	1700s to United States	reduce plant diversity
Lonicera x bella	Bell's honeysuckle, Hybrid honeysuckle	Yes		
Lotus corniculatus	Bird's-foot trefoil	Yes		
Lysimachia nummularia	Moneywort, Creeping Jenny	Yes physical, burning		
Lythrum salicaria	Purple lossestrife	Yes physical, chemical	1800's through nursery trade	threatens rare or endangered species
Malus (spp)	Crabapples	Yes		
Melilotus alba	White sweet clover	Yes		

Melilotus officinalis	Yellow sweet clover	Yes		
Microstegium vimineum	Japanese stilt, Eulalia grass, Camus, Netal grass	no physical		
Miscanthus	Japanese silvergrass, Chinese silvergrass, Pampas	no		
Miscanthus sacchariflorus	Amur silver grass	Yes		
Miscanthus sinensis	Zebra grass, Chinese silver grass	Yes		
Miscanthus sinensis purpurescens	Flame grass	no		
Morus alba	White mulberry	Yes chemical	to set up silkworm industry	
Myriophyllum spicatum	Eurasian water milfoil	Yes		
Najus minor	Bushy pondweed, Brittle naiad	no		
Nasturtium officinale	Watercress	Yes physical	used medicinally	
Nymphoides peltata	Yellow floating heart	Yes		
Pastinaca sativa	Wild parsnip	Yes		
Paulownia tomentosa	Princess tree, Royal paulownia	no physical, chemical	1830's as an ornamental tree	maintenance problems on roads
Perilla frutescens	Common perilla	no		
Phalaris arundinacea	Reed canary grass	Yes physical, chemical, burning	forage value	smothers native wetland species
Phalaris canariensis	Canary grass	no		
Phragmites australis	Common reed	Yes		
Poa compressa	Canada bluegrass	Yes	turf and forage	

Poa pratensis	Kentucky bluegrass	Yes	turf and forage	outcompete native prairie grasses
Polygonum cuspidatum	Japanese knotweed, Japanese bamboo, Mexican bamboo	Yes	ornamental	
Polygonum perfoliatum	Mile-a-minute weed, Asiatic tearthumb	Yes physcial, chemical		covers and kills shrubs and other vegetation
Polygonum sachalinense	Sakhalian knotweed	Yes		
Populus alba	White poplar	Yes physical, chemical, burning	introduced as a landscape and street plant	drops twigs and limbs
Populus tremuloides	Quaking aspen	no		
Portulaca oleracea	Purslane	Yes		
Potamogeton crispus	Curlyleaf pondweed	no chemical		shades out slower growing native plants
Potentilla argentea	Silvery cinquefoil	Yes		
Prunus mahaleb	Mahaleb cherry	Yes		
Pueraria lobata=P. montana	Kudzu	Yes chemical, burning	livestock forage crop control agricultural erosion	displaces native plants
Pyrus calleryana	Bradford pear, Korean pear	yes	ornamental tree	
Quercus acutissima	Sawtooth oak	no physical, chemical	shade tree and wildlife food	
Rhamnus	Buckthorns	no		
Rhamnus arguta	Saw-toothed buckthorn	no		
Rhamnus cathartica	Common buckthorn	Yes		
Rhamnus davurica	Dahurian buckthorn	no		

Rhamnus frangula	Alder, Smooth, Glossy buckthorn, tall hedge	no		
Rhamnus japonica	Japanese buckthorn	no		
Rhamnus utilis	Chinese buckthorn	no		
Rhus glabra	Smooth sumac	no		
Robinia pseudo-acacia	Black locust	Yes physical, chemical	useful wood, nitrogen fixing ability and flowers	displace native vegetation, seeds toxic
Rorippa sylvestris	Creeping yellow-cress	no		
Rosa multiflora	Multiflora rose, Japanese rose	Yes chemical, burning	1950's wildlife cover, living fence, and food	invades agricultural lands, pastures
Rumex acetosella	Garden sorrel	no		
Saponaria officinalis	Bouncing bet, Soapwort	Yes physical	planted as ornamental used to make soapy leather	
Setaria faberi	Japanese bristlegrass	Yes		
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet	no		
Solanum viarum	Tropical soda apple	no		
Sonchus arvensis	Field sow-thistle, Perennial sowthistle	no		
Sorghum almum	Columbus grass	no		
Sorghum halepense	Johnson grass	Yes		
Spiraea japonica	Japanese spiraea	Yes		
Trapa natans	Water chestnut	Yes		
Ulmus pumila	Siberian elm	Yes		
Valeriana officinalis	Common valerian	Yes		
Verbascum thapsus	Flannel mullein	Yes		
Viburnum lantana	Wayfaring tree	no		
Viburnum opulus	European highbush cranberry	Yes chemical		

Vinca minor	Periwinkle or Myrtle	Yes physical, chemical	medicinal herb and aphrodisiac	crowds out native herbaceous vegetation
Vincetoxicum	Black swallowwort	no		
Vincetoxicum rossicum	Swallow-wort	physical, chemical, no burning		outcompeting native wildflowers and young trees
Wisteria sinensis	Chinese wisteria	Yes		

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NON-INVASIVE NATIVE PLANT ALTERNATIVES FOR INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES

INVASIVE

TREES

Acer ginnala (Amur maple)

Acer platanoides (Norway maple)

SHRUBS

Elaeagnus angustifolia (Russian olive) and *Elaeagnus umbellata* (Autumn olive)

Lonicera tatarica (Tartarian honeysuckle)

Berberis thunbergii (Japanese barberry)

Buddleia davidii (Butterfly bush)

Ligustrum vulgare (Privet)

Spiraea japonica (Japanese spiraea)

Rhamnus cathartica (Common buckthorn)

Euonymus alata (Burning bush)

FORBS

Coronilla varia (Crown vetch)

Hesperis matronalis (Dame's rocket)

Lythrum salicaria (Purple loosestrife)

Lotus corniculatus (Bird's-foot trefoil)

Vica minor (Periwinkle)

Daucus carota (Queen Anne's lace)

Melilotus alba, M. officinalis (White and Yellow sweetclover)

NON-INVASIVE

NATIVE ALTERNATIVE TREES

Amelanchier arborea (Serviceberry)
Carpinus caroliniana (American hornbeam)

Acer rubrum (Red maple)
Tilia americana (American basswood)

NATIVE ALTERNATIVE SHRUBS

Cornus racemosa (Gray dogwood)
Viburnum trilobum (High-bush cranberry)

Sambucus canadensis (Common elderberry)

Itea virginica (Virginia sweetspire)

Lindera benzoin (Spicebush)
Ceanothus americanus (New Jersey tea)

Hamamelis virginiana (Witch hazel)

Spiraea alba (Meadow-sweet)

Amelanchier arborea (Serviceberry)
Rhus typhina (Staghorn sumac)

Euonymus atropurpureus (Wahoo)

NATIVE ALTERNATIVE FORBS

Helianthus strumosus (Woodland sunflower)

Phlox pilosa (Downy phlox)

Epilobium angustifolium (Fireweed)
Asclepias incarnata (Marsh milkweed)

Zizia aurea (Golden alexanders)

Parthenocissus quinquefolia (Virginia creeper)

Heracleum lanatum (Cow parsnip)

Veronicastrum virginicum (Culver's root)

GRASSES	NATIVE ALTERNATIVE GRASSES
Miscanthus sinensis (Chinese silver grass)	*Andropogon gerardii* (Big bluestem) *Spartina pectinata* (Prairie cord grass)
Phalaris arundinacea (Reed canary grass)	*Carex lacustris* (Lake sedge)
VINES	**NATIVE ALTERNATIVE VINES**
Ampelopsis brevipedunculata (Porcelain berry)	*Mitchella repens* (Partridge berry)
Celastrus orbiculatus (Asiatic bittersweet)	*Celastrus scandens* (American bittersweet)
Hedra helix (English Ivy)	*Clematis virginiana* (Virgin's bower)
Lonicera japonica (Japanese honeysuckle)	*Campsis radicans* (Trumpet creeper)
AQUATIC PLANTS	**NATIVE ALTERNATIVE AQUATICS**
Eichhornia crassipes (Water hyacinth)	*Nymphaea odorata* (White water lily)
Butomus umbellatus (Flowering rush)	*Pontederia cordata* (Pickerel weed)
Typha angustifolia, T. x glauca (Narrow-leaved & hybrid cattail)	*Typha latifolia* (Broad-leaved cattail)
Iris pseudacorus (Yellow water iris)	*Iris versicolor* (Blue flag iris) *Acorus calamus* (Sweet flag)

Non-invasive native alternative plants were chosen based on similar habitat, growth habits and flower/fruit characteristics when compared to the invasive plants. This list is not comprehensive for the invasive plants or for the native species that could be substituted. Scientific names follow Mohlenbrock, 1986.

NATIVE PLANT SPECIES AVAILABLE FROM NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES

Genus species	common name	family	height (in)	width(in)	habit	soil moisture	soil type	habitat	sun	bloom start	bloom end	bloom color
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	Aceraceae	1080	300-480	deciduous	medium			full, partial, shade	Mar	May	green
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	Aceraceae	960	480-720	deciduous	wet			full, partial, shade	Mar	Apr	green
Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	Aceraceae	600-900	360-540	deciduous	dry			full, partial, shade	Apr	May	green
Achillea millefolium	Native Yarrow	Asteraceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna	full	Jul	Aug	white
Acorus calamus	Sweet Flag	Acoraceae	24-36			wet		wetlands	full, partial	May	Jun	green
Actaea alba	White Doll's Eyes	Ranunculaceae	12-24	12-24	perennial	medium	sand,loam, clay	woodland	partial, shade	May	Jun	white
Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry	Ranunculaceae	12-24	12-24	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	woodland	partial, shade	Jun	Jun	white
Actinomeris alternifolia	Wingstem	Asteraceae	12-48		perennial	wet			full	Jul	Oct	yellow
Agalinis tenuifolia	Slender false foxglove	Scrophulariaceae	36-84		annual	wet		prairie, woodland	full, partial	Aug	Oct	lavender
Agastache foeniculum	Lavender Hyssop	Lamiaceae	24-48	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam,clay, peat	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Sept	pink
Agastache nepetoides	Yellow giant hyssop	Lamiaceae	36-84	12-36	perennial	dry			full, partial	Jul	Oct	yellow
Agastache scrophulariaefolia	Purple Hyssop	Lamiaceae	36-72	10-14	perennial	medium	loam	savanna, woodland	full, partial	Jul	Aug	purple
Alisma subcordatum	Common water plantain	Alismataceae	24-48		perennial	wet		wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Sept	white
Allium canadense	Wild Onion	Liliaceae	12-24		perennial	dry		meadow, woodland	full, partial	Apr	Jul	pink
Allium cernuum	Nodding Pink Onion	Liliaceae	12-24	6	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	pink
Amelanchier arborea	Service berry	Rosaceae	480		deciduous	medium	sand, clay		full, partial	Apr	Apr	white

Amorpha canescens	Leadplant	Fabaceae	12-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	Jun	Jul	purple
Amsonia tabernaemontana	Common Bluestar	Apocynaceae	24-36	12-24	perennial	medium, wet	sand, loam, clay	woodland	partial, shade	Apr	May	blue
Andropogon gerardii	Big Bluestem	Poaceae	48-84	22-26	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wet meadow	full	Aug	Sept	bronze/red
Andropogon scoparius	Little Bluestem	Poaceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prarie, savanna	full	Aug	Sept	red
Andropogon virginicus	Broom sedge	Poaceae	24-48		perennial	medium			full	Aug	Sept	
Anemone canadensis	Canada Anemone	Ranunculaceae	12-24	12	perennial	medium, wet	sand, loam, clay		full, partial	May	Jul	white
Anemone cylindrica	Thimbleweed	Ranunculaceae	24-36		perennial	dry			full, partial	Jun	Aug	white
Anemone virginiana	Tall Anemone	Ranunculaceae	12-36		perennial	dry			full, partial, shade	Jun	Aug	white
Anemonella thalictroides	Rue Anemone	Ranunculaceae	6-12		perennial	dry			partial, shade	Mar	Jun	white/pink
Angelica atropurpurea	Great Angelica	Apiaceae	72-108	22-26	biennial	wet	sand, loam,clay, peat	prairie,wet land, savanna, wet meadow	full, partial	May	Jun	white
Apocynum androsaemifolium	Spreading dogbane	Apocynaceae	12-48		perennial	dry			full	May	Sept	pink
Aquilegia canadensis	Wild Columbine	Ranunculaceae	24-36	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam	savanna, woodland	full, partial, shade	May	Jun	red/yellow
Arisaema triphyllum	Jack in the Pulpit	Araceae	12-24	6-12	perennial	medium, wet	sand, loam, clay	wet meadow, woodland	partial, shade	Apr	May	green
Artemisia ludoviciana	Prairie Sage	Asteraceae	24-36	18-22	perennial	medium	sand, loam,peat	prairie, savanna	full	Aug	Sept	
Asarum canadense	Wild Ginger	Aristolochiaceae	12	12	perennial	dry, medium	sand, loam, clay	woodland	partial, shade	May	Jun	red
Asclepias incarnata	Red Milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	36-60	10-14	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jun	Sept	pink

Asclepias purpurascens	Purple Milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	24-36	10	perennial	dry	sand, loam, peat	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	July	purple
Asclepias sullivantii	Prairie milkweed,Sullivant's Milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	24-36		perennial	dry	loam, clay		full	Jun	Aug	pink
Asclepias syriaca	Common milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	24-48		perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay		full, partial	Jun	Aug	pink
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly Weed	Asclepiadaceae	24-36	6	perennial	dry	sand	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Aug	Orange
Asclepias verticillata	Whorled milkweed	Asclepiadaceae	12-24		perennial	dry			full, partial	Jun	Sept	white
Aster azureus	Sky-blue Aster	Asteraceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie	full, partial	Sept	Oct	blue
Aster cordifolius	Heart-leaved aster	Asteraceae	24-48		perennial	dry			partial, shade	Sept	Oct	blue
Aster drummondii	Drummond's Aster	Asteraceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Sept	Oct	
Aster ericoides	Heath Aster	Asteraceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Sept	Oct	white
Aster laevis	Smooth Blue Aster	Asteraceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Sept	Oct	blue
Aster lateriflorus	Side-flowering aster, Calico Aster	Asteraceae	12-36	12	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay		full, partial, shade	Jul	Oct	white
Aster macrophyllus	Big-leaved aster	Asteraceae	6-24	12	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay		partial, shade	Jul	Oct	lavender
Aster novae-angliae	New England Aster	Asteraceae	48-60	18-22	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Oct	violet
Aster pilosus	Frost Aster	Asteraceae	24-48	18-22	perennial	medium	sand, loam	prairie	full	Aug	Sept	white
Aster praealtus	Willow aster	Asteraceae	24-48		perennial	wet			full, partial	Sept	Oct	blue
Aster puniceus	Bristly aster	Asteraceae	36-72		perennial	wet			full	Aug	Oct	violet
Aster puniceus firmus	Shining aster	Asteraceae	36-72		perennial	wet			full	Sept	Oct	violet

Aster sagittifolius	Arrow-leaved- Aster	Asteraceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	shade	Aug	Sept	lavender
Aster sericeus	Silky Aster	Asteraceae	12-24	6-10	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Sept	Oct	purple
Aster shortii	Short's aster	Asteraceae	12-48	12	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie, meadow	partial, shade	Aug	Oct	blue
Aster simplex	Panicled Aster	Asteraceae	36-48	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wet meadow	partial, shade	Sept	Oct	white
Aster umbellatus	Flat-top aster	Asteraceae	12-48		perennial	wet			full, partial	Jul	Aug	white
Astragalus canadensis	Canada Milk Vetch	Fabaceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	cream
Aureolaria flava	Smooth false foxglove	Scrophulariaceae	36-60		perennial	dry			partial, shade	Jul	Oct	yellow
Baptisia australis	Blue Wild Indigo	Fabaceae	24-48	18-22	perennial	dry	loam, clay	prairie,	full, partial	May	Jun	blue
Baptisia leucantha	White Wild Indigo	Fabaceae	36-60	22-26	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	prairie	full	May	Aug	white
Baptisia leucophea	Cream Wild Indigo	Fabaceae	12-36	18-22	perennial	dry	sand	prairie, savanna	full	May	Jun	cream
Betula nigra	River birch	Betulaceae	960		deciduous	wet			full, partial	May	May	green
Bidens cernua	Nodding bur marigold	Asteraceae	12-36 in			wet			full	Jun	Oct	yellow
Bidens coronata	Tall swamp marigold,	Asteraceae	24-60 in		annual							
Blephilia ciliata	Downy Wood Mint	Lamiaceae	12-24	10-14	perennial	medium	loam	savanna, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Jul	purple
Blephilia hirsuta	Hairy Wood Mint	Lamiaceae	12-24	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam	savanna, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Aug	white
Bouteloua curtipendula	Side Oats Grama	Poaceae	24-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	Jul	Aug	tan
Bromus ciliatus	Fringed Brome		24-48	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jun	Jul	
Bromus kalmii	Prairie Brome	Poaceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Jul	tan
Cacalia atriplicifolia	Pale Indian Plantain	Asteraceae	60-96	22-26	pereninal	dry	sand, loam	savanna, wet meadow, prairie	full, partial	Jul	Sept	white

Cacalia muhlenbergii	Great Indian Plantain	Asteraceae	48-84	18-22	perennial	dry	loam, clay	savanna, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Aug	white
Cacalia suaveolens	Sweet Indian Plantain	Asteraceae	48-72	14-18	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Sept	Sept	white
Cacalia tuberosa	Prairie Indian Plantain	Asteraceae	24-36	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	white
Calamagrostis canadensis	Blue Joint Grass	Poaceae	36-72	18-22	perennial	wet	sand, laom, clay,peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full, partial	Jun	Aug	tan
Campanula americana	Tall Bellflower	Campanulaceae	12-24	6	perennial	medium	loam	savanna, woodland	partial, shade	Jul	Nov	blue
Carex bebbii	Bebb's Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-24	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jun	Jun	
Carex bicknellii	Prairie Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-24	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	May	Jun	
Carex comosa	Bristly Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full, partial	May	Jun	green
Carex crinita	Fringed Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full, partial, shade	May	May	
Carex hystrincina	Bottlebrush Sedge,Porcupine Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	praire, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial, shade	May	Jun	green
Carex sprengelii	Woodland Sedge	Cyperaceae	12	6-10	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	savanna, woodland	full, partial, shade	May	Jun	
Carex stipata	Fox Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full, partial, shade	Jun	Jul	green
Carex vulpinoidea	Brown Fox Sedge	Cyperaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	May	Jun	green

Cassia hebecarpa	Wild Senna	Fabaceae	48-72	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Aug	yellow
Ceanothus americanus	New Jersey Tea	Rhamnaceae	12-36	22-26	perennial	dry		prairie	full	Jun	Aug	white
Cinna arundinacea	Wood Reed Grass	Poaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	full	Jun	Jul	tan
Coreopsis lanceolata	Lance-leaf Coreopsis	Asteraceae	12-36	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	May	Jul	yellow
Coreopsis palmata	Prairie Coreopsis	Asteraceae	12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full, partial	Jun	Jul	yellow
Coreopsis tripteris	Tall Coreopsis	Asteraceae	48-84	22-26	perennial	medium	loam, clay	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	yellow
Desmanthus illinoensis	Illinois Bundle Flower, Illinois Sensitive Plant	Fabaceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Jul	Aug	yellow
Desmodium canadense	Showy Tick Trefoil	Fabaceae	24-48	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	prairie	full	Jul	Aug	purple
Desmodium illinoense	Illinois Tick Trefoil	Fabaceae	48-72	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full, partial	Jul	Aug	purple
Echinacea angustifolia	Narrow-leaved Coneflower	Asteraceae	12-36	6-10	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie	full, partial	Jun	Jul	purple
Echinacea pallida	Pale Purple Coneflower	Asteraceae	36-48	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie, savanna	full	Jun	Jul	purple
Echinacea purpurea	Purple Coneflower	Asteraceae	36-48	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Jul	purple
Elymus canadensis	Canada Wild Rye	Poaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	tan
Elymus riparius	Riverbank Wild Rye	Poaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	wetland, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Jul	tan
Elymus villosus	Silky Wild Rye	Poaceae	36-60	18-22	perennial	medium	loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	tan

Elymus virginicus	Virginia Wild Rye	Poaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	medium	loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	tan
Eryngium yuccifolium	Rattlesnake Master	Apiaceae	36-48	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam	prairie	full	Jul	Aug	white
Eupatorium maculatum	Spotted Joe Pye Weed	Asteraceae	48-72	14-18	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	purple
Eupatorium perfoliatum	Boneset	Asteraceae	24-60	14-18	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Oct	purple
Eupatorium purpureum	Purple Joe Pye Weed	Asteraceae	48-84	14-18	perennial	dry	loam	savanna, woodland	partial	Jul	Aug	pink
Euphorbia corollata	Flowering Spurge	Euphorbiaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full, partial	Jun	Aug	white
Gentiana andrewsii	Bottle Gentian	Gentianaceae	24-36	6	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Aug	Oct	blue
Geum triflorum	Prairie Smoke	Rosaceae	12	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Apr	May	pink
Glyceria canadensis	Rattlesnake grass	Poaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	loam, peat	wetland, wet meadow	full	Jun	Jul	tan
Glyceria grandis	Reed Mana Grass	Poaceae	36-60	18-22	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Jul	tan
Glyceria striata	Fowl Mana Grass	Poaceae	24-60	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Jul	tan
Helenium autumnale	Sneezeweed, Dogtooth Daisy	Asteraceae	36-60	22-26	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Aug	yellow
Helianthus grosseserratus	Sawtooth Sunflower	Asteraceae	72-108	22-26	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Sept	yellow
Helianthus occidentalis	Western Sunflower	Asteraceae	24-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie	full	Jul	Aug	yellow
Helianthus strumosus	Woodland Sunflower	Asteraceae	12-36	18-22	perennial	dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie, savanna, woodland	full, partial	Jun	Aug	yellow

Lobelia siphilitica	Great Blue Lobelia	Campanulaceae	12-24	6	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Aug	blue
Lupinus perennis	Wild Lupine	Fabaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Apr	Jul	blue
Lycopus americanus	Water Horehound, Bugleweed	Lamiaceae	12-24	6-10	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full	Jul	Aug	white
Lysimachia quadriflora	Prairie Loosestrife	Pyrolaceae	12-24	6-10	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	
Lythrum alatum	Winged Loosestrife	Lythraceae	12-24	6-10	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full	Jun	Aug	
Mentha arvensis	Wild Mint	Lamiaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Jul	Aug	
Mimulus rignes	Monkey Flower	Scrophulariaceae	24-36	6-10	perennial	wet	loam, peat	wetland, wet meadow	full	Jun	Jul	blue
Monarda fistulosa	Wild Bergamont	Lamiaceae	24-48	18-22	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	lavender
Monarda punctata	Dotted Mint	Lamiaceae	12-24	10-14	perennial	dry	sand	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	lavender
Napea dioica	Glade Mallow	Menyanthaceae	48-72	22-26	perennial	wet	loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full, partial	Jun	Aug	white
Oenothera biennis	Evening Primrose	Onagraceae	36-72	22-26	perennial	wet,medium, dry	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Jul	Aug	white
Panicum virgatum	Switch Grass	Poaceae	48-72	22	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna, wet meadow	full	Aug	Sept	gold

Partheninum integrifolium	Wild Quinine		24-48	10-14	perennial	wet, medium	loam, clay	prairie, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	white
Penstemon digitalis	Smooth Penstemon	Scrophulariaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	wet, medium	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Jul	white
Petalostemum candidum	White Prairie Clover		12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Oct	white
Petalostemum purpureum	Purple Prairie Clover		12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	Jun	Sept	purple
Phlox pilosa	Prairie Phlox, Downy Phlox	Polemoniaceae	12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	May	Jul	pink
Physostegia virginiana	Obedient Plant	Lamiaceae	24-36	22-26	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	pink
Polemonium reptans	Jacob's Ladder	Polemoniaceae	12	6	perennial	medium	sand, loam	savanna, woodland	full, partial	Apr	Jun	blue
Potentilla arguta	Prairie Cinquefoil	Rosaceae	12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Jul	Aug	white
Pycnanthemum virginianum	Mountain Mint	Lamiaceae	24-36	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	white
Ratibida pinnata	Yellow Coneflower	Asteraceae	48-60	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna	full	Jul	Aug	yellow
Rudbeckia hirta	Black-eyed Susan	Asteraceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, savanna	full	Jul	Aug	yellow
Rudbeckia laciniata	Wild Golden Glow, Green Headed Coneflower	Asteraceae	60-96	22-26	perennial	wet, medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, savanna, wet meadow, woodland	full, partial	Jul	Sept	yellow
Rudbeckia subtomentosa	Sweet Black-eyed Susan	Asteraceae	48-60	22-26	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, savanna, wet meadow	full, partial	Jul	Aug	yellow
Rudbeckia triloba	Brown-eyed Susan	Asteraceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	medium	sand, loam	prairie, savanna, woodland	full, partial	Aug	Oct	yellow
Ruellia humillis	Wild Petunia		12-24	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	Jun	Jul	violet

Scirpus atrovirens	Dark Green Bulrush	Cyperaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	wet	loam, peat	wetland, wet meadow, emergent	full	Jun	Aug	
Scirpus validus	Great Bulrush	Cyperaceae	36-60	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	wetland, emergent	full	Jun	Jul	
Silene regia	Royal Catchfly	Caryophyllaceae	12-36	6-10	perennial	dry	sand, loam	praire, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Aug	red
Silene stellata	Starry Campion	Caryophyllaceae	12-36	6	perennial	medium	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jul	Sept	white
Silphium integrifolium	Rosin Weed	Asteraceae	48-72	18-22	perennial	medium, dry	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie	full	Jul	Sept	yellow
Silphium laciniatum	Compass Plant	Asteraceae	48-108	22-26	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Jun	Aug	yellow
Silphium perfoliatum	Cupplant	Asteraceae	48-108	22-26	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jun	Jul	yellow
Silphium terebinthinaceum	Prairie Dock	Asteraceae	48-108	22-26	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	yellow
Solidago flexicaulis	Zig-zag Goldenrod	Asteraceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	medium	loam, clay	savanna, woodland	full, partial, shade	Aug	Sept	yellow
Solidago graminifolia	Grass-leaved Goldenrod	Asteraceae	12-36	18-22	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Aug	Sept	yellow
Solidago nemoralis	Old-field Goldenrod	Asteraceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Aug	Oct	
Solidago ohioensis	Ohio Goldenrod	Asteraceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Aug	Oct	yellow
Solidago riddellii	Riddell's Goldenrod	Asteraceae	12-36	14-18	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Aug	Oct	yellow
Solidago rigida (Oligoneuron rigidum)	Stiff Goldenrod	Asteraceae	36-48	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Aug	Oct	yellow

Sorghastrum nutans	Indian Grass	Poaceae	48-72	18-22	perennial	medium, dry	sand, loam, clay	prairie, savanna	full	Aug	Sept	gold
Spartina pectinata	Prairie Cord Grass	Poaceae	48-72	22-26	perennial	wet	sand, loam, clay, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Aug	Sept	gold
Sporobolus heterolepis	Prairie Dropseed	Poaceae	24-36	14-18	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full	Jul	Aug	gold
Tephrosia virginicum	Goats Rue		12-24	14-18	perennial	dry	sand	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Jun	Jul	pink, yellow
Thalictrum dasycarpum	Meadow Rue	Ranunculaceae	36-72	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland,savanna, wet meadow	full, partial	Jun	Jul	white
Tradescantia ohiensis	Spiderwort, Ohio Spiderwort	Commelinaceae	12-24	10	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	May	Aug	blue
Verbena hastata	Blue Vervain	Verbenaceae	36-60	10-14	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jun	Aug	blue
Verbena stricta	Hoary Vervain	Verbenaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie	full	Jun	Jul	blue
Vernonia fasciculata	Ironweed	Asteraceae	48-72	22-26	perennial	wet	sand, loam, peat	prairie, wetland, wet meadow	full	Jul	Sept	red/pink
Veronicastrum virginicum	Culver's Root	Scrophulariaceae	24-48	6	perennial	wet	loam, clay	prairie, wet meadow	full	Jul	Aug	white
Viola pedatifida	Prairie Violet	Violaceae	12	6	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	May	Jun	
Zizia aptera	Heart-leaved Golden Aster	Apiaceae	12-36	10-14	perennial	dry	sand, loam	prairie, savanna	full, partial	Apr	Jun	
Zizia aurea	Golden Alexander	Apiaceae	24-48	10-14	perennial	medium	sand, loam, clay	prairie, savanna, woodland	full, partial	May	Jul	yellow

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Agastache foeniculum	Blue Giant Hyssop	*Vernonia fasciculata*	Common Ironweed
Agastache nepetoides	Yellow Giant Hyssop	*Viola species*	Violet
Allium species	Onions	*Zizia species*	Golden Alexanders
Amorpha canescens	Lead Plant		
Aquilegia canadensis	Columbine		
Asclepias incarnata	Swamp Milkweed		
Asclepias sullivantii	Prairie Milkweed		
Asclepias syriaca	Common Milkweed		
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly Milkweed		
Aster ericoides	Heath Aster		
Aster laevis	Smooth Aster		
Aster lateriflorus	Side-Flowering Aster		
Aster macrophyllus	Big-Leaved Aster		
Aster pilosus	Hairy Aster		
Ceanothus americanus	New Jersey Tea		
Coreopsis lanceolata	Sand Coreopsis		
Dalea candida	White Prairie Clover		
Dalea purpurea	Purple Prairie Clover		
Desmanthus illinoensis	Illinois Mimosa		
Desmodium canadense	Showy Tick Trefoil		
Desmodium illinoense	Illinois Tick Trefoil		
Echinacea pallida	Pale Purple Coneflower		
Echinacea purpurea	Purple Coneflower		
Eupatorium species	Thoroughwort		
Helianthus occidentalis	Western Sunflower		
Helianthus strumosus	Pale Leaved Sunflower		
Heliopsis helianthoides	False or Ox-Eye Sunflower		
Liatris aspera	Rough Blazing Star		
Liatris pycnostachya	Prairie Blazing Star		
Liatris spicata	Marsh Blazing Star		
Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower		
Lupinus perennis	Wild Lupine		
Monarda fistulosa	Wild Bergamot		
Monarda punctata	HorseMint		
Phlox species	Phlox		
Physostegia virginiana	Obedience Plant; False Dragonhead		
Pycnanthemum species	Mountain Mint		
Ratibida species	Prairie Coneflower		
Rosa species	Rose		
Rudbeckia hirta	Black-Eyed Susan		
Rudbeckia subtomentosa	Sweet Black-Eyed Susan		
Rudbeckia triloba	Brown-Eyed Susan		
Silphium perfoliatum	Cup Plant		
Silphium terebinthinaceum	Prairie Dock		
Solidago flexicaulis	Broadleaf Goldenrod		
Tradescantia species	Spiderwort		
Verbena hastata	Blue Vervain		
Verbena stricta	Rose or Hoary Vervain		

NATIVE PLANTS FOR FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

Fresh Arrangement

Agastache foeniculum
Aquilegia canadensis
Allium cernuum
Asclepias tuberosa
Asclepias syriaca
Aster azureus
Aster ericoides
Aster laevis
Aster lateriflorus
Aster macrophyllus
Aster pilosus
Aster shortii
Coreopsis lanceolata
Echinacea pallida
Echinacea purpurea
Eryngium yuccifolium
Helianthus strumosus
Helenium autumnale
Heliopsis helianthoides
Liatris aspera
Liatris ligulistylis
Liatris pycnostachya
Liatris spicata
Lobelia cardinalis
Lobelia siphilitica
Monarda fistulosa
Partheninum integrifolium
Penstemon digitalis
Ratibida pinnata
Rudbeckia hirta
Rudbeckia subtomentosa
Rudbeckia triloba
Silene regia
Silphium laciniatum
Silphium terebinthinaceum
Solidago flexicaulis
Solidago ohioensis
Solidago rigida
Verbena hastata
Verbena stricta
Vernonia fasciculata
Veronicastrum virginicum

Dried Arrangement

Andropogon gerardii
Andropogon scoparius
Asclepias incarnata
Asclepias syriaca
Aster macrophyllus
Bouteloua curtipendula
Echinacea angustifolia
Echinacea pallida
Echinacea purpurea
Elymus canadensis
Elymus virginicus
Liatris aspera
Liatris ligulistylis
Liatris pycnostachya
Liatris spicata
Monarda fistulosa
Panicum virgatum
Solidago flexicaulis
Solidago ohioensis
Solidago rigida
Sorghastrum nutans
Spartina pectinata

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NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES--ILLINOIS

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	email address	Specialties	wholesale or retail
Absolutely Wild Inc	Will	25310 S Stoney Island Ave. Crete, IL 60417	(708)672-5908	www.absolutlywild.com			
Aquatic Nursery	Kane	38 w. 135 McDonald Rd., Elgin, IL 60123	(847)741-7678	in progress		All water plants, native and exotic	wholesale and retail
Art and Linda's Wildflowers	Cook	3730 S. 59th Ave Cicero, IL 60804	(708)863-6534	www.artandlindaswildflowers.com	art@artandlindaswildflowers.com	local genotype prairie seeds and bare-root plants, design and installation	wholesale
Blazing Star Nursery	McHenry	2107 Edgewood Dr. Woodstock, IL 60098	(815)338-4716	www.blazings-star.com	tallgrass@blazing-star.com	Prairie, savanna, and wetland plants: consulting and seeds	mostly retail
Bluestem Prairie Nursery	Montgomery	13197 E. 13th Rd. Hillsboro, IL 62049	(217)532-6344	none	bluesternnursery@yahoo.com	south central Illinois eco-type: all native	retail
Country Road Greenhouse	Ogle	19561 E. Twombly Rochelle, IL 61068	(815)384-3311	www.prairieplugs.com		containerized prairie plants and wet plants	
Currents Company	Stark	Route 2, Box 176 Wyoming, IL 61491	(309)286-7366				
Earthskin Nursery	Mason	9331 NCR 3800E Mason, IL 62664	(217)482-3524	www.earthskinnursery.com	lrnelins@springnet1.com	forbs, central Illinois ecotypes, prairie seed	retail
Enders Greenhouse	Winnebago	104 Enders Drive Cherry Valley, IL 31016	(815)332-5255	www.endersgreenhouse.com	info@endersgreenhouse.com	Prairie, woodland, and wetland plants	retail
Frey Prairie Seeds	Hamilton	P.O. Box 104, Route 2 Dahlgran, IL 62828	(618)648-2216			Grass seeds, and forb seeds from the Southern till plan of Illinois	
Genesis Nursery	Whiteside	23200 Hurd Road Tampico, IL 61283	(815)438-2220	none	none	native seed and herbaceous material	wholesale
Gerard & Green Native Plant Nursery	Cook	23355 Wentworth Ave Steger, IL 60475	(708) 758-2255	www.gerardandgreene.com	info@geradandgreene.com	Local south Cook County and Eastern Will County genotype: hard to find species	retail
Greenview Nurseries	Peoria	2700 W. Cedar Hills Dr. Dunlap, IL 61525				Native and exotic species	
Grand Prairie Friends	Champaign	P.O Box 36 Urbana, IL, 61801	(217) 244-5695	www.prairienet.org/gpf/	jamese@inhs.uiuc.edu	Native plants each spring on Mother's Day weekend & at Urbana Farmers' Market	retail
Henry Fromm Fromm-Hull Farm	Sangam	10998 Salisbury Road Pleasant Plains, IL 62677	(217)626-1583 or 626-1690			Wholesale for plants, retail in quantities 100+	
Illinois Forest Product Company	Cass	8699 Arenzville Rd. Beardstown, IL 62618	1-866-304 TREE	www.illinoisforestproducts.com	ifp@casscomm.com	trees	wholesale trees retail all other products
Jet Hall	Bureau	R.R. 1, Box 81 Walnut, IL 61376	(815)379-2629			Seeds	
King Nursery	Kendall	6849 Rt.34 Oswego, IL 60543	(630) 554-1171	none	claudia 820@ameritic.net	native oaks	wholesale
LaFayette Home Nursery	Stark	1 Nursery Lane or RR 1 Box 1A, LaFayette, IL	(309)995-3311	www.lafayettenursery.com		wetland, prairie, timberland, native and herbaceous	retail and wholesale
Landscape Naturally, Inc	DeKalb	1021 Janet St. Sycamore, IL 60178	(815)899-7574			Seeds from within 90mi. Of St. Charles, &consulting for prairie restorations	
Lee's Garden	Tazewell	P.O. Box 5 Tremont, IL 61568	(309)925-5262	www.leesgardens.com	jiboshi@aol.com	Hosta's wildflowers and Prairie plants in stock woodland plants in season	retail
Lounsberry Gardens	Menard	Box 135 Oakford, IL 62673					
Mason State Nursery	Mason	17855 N. County Rd. 2400 East Topekia, IL	(309)535-2185	none	dhorvath@dnrmail.state.il.us	State nursery; only sells surplus	retail
Midwest Wildflowers	Winnebago	P.O. Box 64 Rockton, IL 61072				Native wildflower seeds, books	
Native Plant Materials	Knox	766 Bateman St. Galesburg, IL 61401	(309)343-2608			Seeds	
The Natural Garden	Kane	38 W. 443 Highway 64 St. Charles, IL 60174	(630)584-0595	www.thenaturalgardeninc.com		Seeds of prairie grasses and forbs, perennials, and woodland wildflowers	retail and wholesale
PecaSugar Nursery	Winnebago	13002 Harrison Rd. Shirland, IL 61079	(815)629-2546	none	none	Prairie grasses	wholesale (mostly)

Possibility Place Nursery	Will	7548 W. Monee-Manhattan Rd. Monee, IL	(708)534-6272	www.possibilityplace.com	info@possibilityplace.com	Trees, shrubs, grasses and forbs native to Northern Illinois	wholesale and retail
Prairie Dock Nursery	Vermillion	2731 County Road 100N Allerton, IL 61810	(217)834-3146				
Prairie Earth Nursery	Stark	R.R. 1 Box 151, Bradford, IL 61421	(309) 897-9911	in progress	jim_alwill@yahoo.com	prairie forbs and grass	wholesale
The Prairie Garden	Cook	705 S. Kenilworth Ave. Oak Park, IL 60304	(708)386-7495				
The Prairie Patch	Macon	10932 Park Road, Niantic IL 62551	(217)668-2409	none		Plants, seeds, consulting, custom planting	wholesale and retail
The Propagators Private Stock	McHenry	8805 Kemman Rd. Hebron, IL 60034				Select perennial, wildflower and woody landscape plants	
Purple Prairie Farm	Stark	P.O. Box 176, Route 2 Wyoming, IL 61491				Native grass and wildflower seeds	
Red Buffalo Nursery	McHenry	10502 Seaman Rd., Hebron, IL 60034	(815) 648-4838		kaskel@mc.net		wholesale and retail
The Wildflower Source, Inc.	Lake	P.O. Box 312 Fox Lake, IL 60020					
Windrift Prairie Shop	Ogle	RD 2 Oregon, IL 61061				Seeds of wildflowers and grasses	

Rohde's Nursery	Wood	N8098 Duck Creek Ave. Neshkoro, WI 54960	(414)293-4373			Woodland, wetland, prairie plants; design consultation, restoration	
Taylor Creek Restoration Nurseries	Green	P.O. Box 256 Broadhead, WI 53520	608-897-8641	www.appliedeco.com (click on T.C.R.N. icon)	Christina.Bickford@appliedeco.com	local genotypes	mostly wholesale some retail
Wehr Nature Center	Waukesha	9107 W. College Ave. Franklin, WI 53132	(414)425-8550			Prairie seeds and instruction for sm. Projects in SE WI	

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES--INDIANA

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	Email	Specialties	Wholesale or Retail
AgVenture D&M Seeds, Inc.	Newton	P.O. Box 102 Kentland, IN 47951				Native grass and wildflower seeds	
Beineke's Nursery	Tippecanoe	513 Sharon Rd. West Lafayette, IN 47906	(765) 463-2994				retail
Crystal Palace Perennials	Lake	P.O. Box 154 St. Jogn, IN 46373					
Earthly Goods, Ltd.	Floyd	620 E Main St. New Albany, IN 47933	(812)944-2903	www.earthlygoods.com	info@earthlygoods.com	Native grass seeds, garden tools, prairie seed mix	Retail
Edge of the Prairie Wildflowers	Montgomery	1641 W. Oak Hill Road Crawfordsville, IN 47933	(765)362-0915	none	edgeoftheprairie@webtv.net	75 native species, herbs & grasses	Retail
Heartland Restoration Services, Inc.	Allen	14921 Hand Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46818	(260) 489-8511	www.earhsourceinc.net/heartland.html	ericummel@earthsourceinc.net	local genotype seed from northern part of state, native seeds	mostly wholesale
Indiana Propagation Nursery	Washington	3 Lyon BlockSalem , IN 47167				Native Trees	
J. F. New & Associates	St. Joseph	128 Sunset Dr., Walkerton, IN 46574	(574) 586-2412	www.jfnewnursery.com	bjohnson@jfnew.com	Northern Indiana genotype woodland, wetland, savanna, and prairie plants, design	wholesale
Jasper-Pulaski State Nursery	Pualski	Indiana Division of Forestry 15508 W. 700 N. Medaryville, IN 47957	(219) 843-4827	state web site	jpnrsry@home.ffni.com	sold at cost to Ind. Public	retail
Munchkin Nursery	Nom	323 Woodside Drive N.W. Depauw, IN 47115	(812) 633-4858	www.munchkinnursery.com	genebush@munchkinnursery.com	native plants and shade specialties	retail
Spence Restoration Nursery	Delaware	2220 E. Fuson Rd. Muncie, IN 47302	(765) 286-7154	www.spencenursery.com	kevin@spencenursery.com	broad range all herbaceous, seeds and plugs, No woody	Wholesale Only
Woody Warehouse	Hendricks	P.O. Box 259 Lizton, IN 46149	(317) 994-5487	www.woodywarehouse.com	sales@woodywarehouse.com	American native trees (midwest)	wholesale
Vallonia Sate Nursery	Jackson	P.O. Box 218 Vallonia, IN 47281	(812) 358-3621	dnr.in.gov/forestry	vallonianursery@dnr.in.gov	all bare root stock native to state, available for In. state residents only	retail

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES--MISSOURI

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	e-mail	specialties	wholesale or retail
Bowood Farms (wholesale only)	Pike	Fox Creek Lane Clarksville, MO 63336					
Easyliving Native Perennial Wildflowers	Cole	P.O. Box 105913 Jefferson City, MO 65109		www.easywildflowers.com			
Elixir Farm Botanicals	Nom	General Delivery Brixey, MO 65618				Chinese& indigenous medicinal seed, plants, roots, books	
Prairie Source	Henry	382 NW highway 18 Clinton, MO 64735	660-885-6127	www.prairiesource.com	none	Consulting, contracting, Truax seeders, Plateau herbicide, wildflower mixes, and more	
Gilberg Perennial Farms	Nom	2906 Ossenfort Rd. Glencoe, MO 63038				Prairie woodland (MO. Ecotypes)	
Hamilton Seeds and Wildflowers	Texas	16786 Brown Rd. Elk Creek, MO 65464				Seeds & plants; wildflowers and grasses	
Mangelsdorf Seed Co.	St. Louis	P.O. Box 327 St. Louis, MO 65109				Shrubs, grasses, wildflowers, plants, seeds	
Missouri Wildflower Nursery	Cole	9814 Pleasant Hill Rd. JeffersonCity, MO 65109	(573)496-3492	www.mowildflowers.net	mowldflrs@socket.net	all native products; trees, shrubs, vines; seeds in packet and in pounds	mostly retail
Rock Post Wildflower Nursery	Callaway	5798 Windy Meadows Lane Fulton, MO 65251				Bare-root and potted forbs, grasses, and trees; NO SEEDS	
Sharp Brothers Seed Co.	Henry	396 SW Davis-LaDue Clinton, MO 64735	(800)451-3779	none	none	Native grass and wildflower seeds	retail
Vermont Wildflower Farm	Pike	P.O. Box 1400 Louisiana, MO 63353					

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES–MINNESOTA

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	e-mail	specialties	wholesale or retail
Busse Gardens	Wright	Rt. 2, Box 238 Cokato, MN 55321					
Feder's Prairie Seed Company	Farubault	1740 Industrial Dr. Blue Earth, MN 56013	(507)526-3049	www.federprairieseed.com	feder@bevcomm.net	Local genotype	wholesale & retail
Kaste Seed Inc.	Polk	11779 400 10th.Street SE Fertile, MN 56540	(218)945-6738	none	kasteseedinc@gvtel.com	both ecotype & forbs grass (forbs are all local genotype)	mostly wholesale
Mark E Gullickson	Polk	10990 42 3rd. Street Fertile MN 56540	(218)945-6894	none	mgullic@hotmail.com	forbs seed & native grass (switch grass & blue stem)	mostly wholesale
Morning Sky Greenery	Stevens	Route 1, Box 137 Hancock, MN 56244	(320)392-5282	www.morningskygreenery.com		Local genotype prairie plants	
Naturally WILD(organic wildflowers and perennials)	Ramsey	3539 W. 44th St. Minneapolis, MN 55410	(612)922-9279			Native NM wildflower and grass plants for local retail sales only	
North American Prairies Company	Wright	11754 Jarvis Ave. Annandale, MN 55302	(320)274-5316	www.northamericanprairies.com	info@northamericanprairies.com	general restoration of upland & wetlands: native grass& flowers, trees & shrubs	wholesale
Orchid Gardens	Anoka	2232 139th Ave. NW Andover, MN 55304	(612)755-0205			Native wildflowers, ferns, and shrubs	
Ox Cart Seed Co.	Clay	Route 3, Box 226 Hawley, MN 56549	(218)937-5639			Varietals, local genotype switch grass and big bluestem	
Prairie Hill Wildflowers	Steele	8955 Lemond Rd. Ellendale, MN 56026	(507)451-7791	www.nativeforbe.com		Local genotypes of prairie species	wholesale
The Prairie Is My Garden	Clearwater	13633 Ferman Ave. NW Clearwater, MN 555320		www.theprairieismygarden.com			
Prairie Moon Nursery	Winona	31837 Bur Oak Lane, Winona, MN 55987	866-417-8156	www.prairemoon.com	info@prairiemoon.com	Prairie, woodland, and wetland seeds, and plants	wholesale & retail
Prairie Restorations, Inc.	Mille Lacs	P.O. Box 327 Princeton, MN 55371		www.prairieresto.com		Restoration and management; local genotype prairie seeds and plants	
Rice Creek Gardens, Inc.	Ramsey	11506 Hwy 65 Blaine, MN 55434		www.ricecreekgardens.com		Nursery-propagated plants of native wildflowers, ferns, and alpines, selected tolerance to extreme weather conditions	
Roseau Seed Farms Inc.	Lyon	3560 265th. Street Cottonwood, MN 56229	888-999-4930	www.roseauseedfarms.com	info@roseauseedfarms.com	grasses, flowers, plugs	wholesale & retail
Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston	20740 County Rd. 33 Spring Grove, MN 55974	(507)498-3944	www.shootingstarnativeseed.com	ssns@springgrove.coop	Local genotype prairie grass and wildflower seeds	

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES--MICHIGAN

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	Email	Specialties	Wholesale or Retail
Arrowhead Alpines	Clinton	P.O. Box 857 Fowlerville, MI 48836	(517) 223-8750	www.arrowhead-alpines.com	danielapresley@hotmail.com	Wildflowers, perennials and rock plants, conifers, shrubs	Retail
Cold Stream Farm	Nom	2030 Free Soil Rd. Free Soil, MI 49411				Trees and shrubs	
Design by Nature	Shiawassee	9874 Chadwick Laingsburg, MI 48848	517-651-6502	none	designsbynature@hotmail.com	prairie planting/installetion,environmental education; wetland plants	wholesale &sponsor club sales
Gaia Grass	Eaton	3947 E. St. Joe Grand Ledge, MI 48837	517-627-7927	www.gaiagrass.com	jean@gaiagrass.com	Native Michigan genotype grass seed	
Grass Roots Inc.	Eaton	P.O. Box 4001 E. Lansing, MI 48826					
Grow Wild Nursery	Shiawassee	P.O. Box 401 Byron, MI 48418					
Michigan Wildflower Farm	Ionia	11770 Culter Rd. Portland, MI 48875	(517)647-6010	none	wildflowers@voyager.net	Michigan native wildflower and grass seed	Retail
Nativescape LLC	Washtenaw	10380 clinton Rd., Manchester, MI 48158	(517)456-9696	www.nativescape.net	info@nativescape.net	shore restoration; residential and commercial	Wholesale
Native Connection	St. Joesph	62791 Shaffer Road Constantine, MI 49042	269-435-2208	none	jerry@nativeconnections.net	Design, Consultation, Installation and native grass seed	
Native Plant Nursery	Washtenaw	P.O. Box 7841 Ann Arbor, MI 48107	734-677-3260	www.nativeplant.com	plants@naiveplant.com	Wildflower purchases & consultations; Native perennial plants; ecological restoration	
Oikos Tree Crops	Kalamazoo	P.O. Box 19425 Kalamazoo, MI 49019					
Owl Ridge Alpines	Oakland	5421 Whipple Lake Rd. Clarkston, MI 48016				Alpine, woodland species	
Sandhill Farm	Kent	11250 ten mile Road Rockford, MI 49341	616-691-8241	none	cheryl@iserv.net	Michigan native forbs; woodland, wetland, & grasses	
Sorus Plants	Washtenaw	3998 Edmonton court Ann Arbor, MI 48103	734-678-6685	www.sorusplants.com	info@sorusplants.com	Michigan native ferns	Wholesale & Retail
Vanbochove's Florest & Green house	Kalamazoo	1019 Miller Rd., Kalamazoo, MI 49001	(800) 233-5025	in progress	none	plant division:Great lake basin native plants, prairie, savanna, wetland,custom work	Wholesale & Retail
Vans Pines Nursery, Inc.	Nom	7550-144th Ave. West Olive, MI 49460				Grasses, trees, ground covers, and shrubs	
Western Regional Environmental Netword	Muskegon	1001 E. Wesley Ave. Muskegon, MI 49442				Edu. Info. Only, native plants and seeds	
Wetlands Nursery	Saginaw	P.O. Box 14553 Saginaw, MI 48601	989-752-3493	www.wetlands-nursery.com	Jewel@wetlands-nursery.com	aquatic and semi-aquatic plants; bare-root plants and seeds	wholesale
Wildtype Native Plants and Seeds	Ingham	900 Every Rd. Mason, MI 48854	(517) 244-1140	www.wildtypeplants.com	wildtype@msu.edu	native trees, shrubs, grasses and forbs; ecological design & consulting; restoration and	

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES--IOWA

Company Name	County	Address	Phone	Web Address	Email	Specialties	Wholesale or Retail
Allendan Seed	Madison	1966 175th Lane Winterset, IA 50273	(515)462-1241	in progress	allendan@allendanseed.com	Iowa genotype native grass, wildflowers, seeds, some plants	wholesale & retail
Carl Kurtz	Nom	1562 Binford Ave. St. Anthony, IA 50273				Mixed local ecotype native tall-grass prairie forbs and grasses	
Cascade Forestry Nursery	Dubuque	1621McCabe Lane, Cascade, IA 52033	(563) 852-3042	www.cascadeforestry.com	naumen@cascadeforestry.com	Services (tree planting, spraying, timber evaluations) consulting	wholesale & retail
Cedar River Garden Center	Nom	P.O. Box 259 Palo, IA 52324	(319)851-2161	none	none	Landscape services, native wildflower plants and seeds	Retail
Custom Seed Services	Pottawattamie	26335 510th St. Walnut, IA 51577-9745	(712)784-2430		custseed@metc.net	diverse eco-flower mix	wholesale & retail
Diversity Farms	Carroll	25494 320th. Street Dedham,IA 51440	(712) 683-5555	none	dfamrs@pionet.net	working with individual clients	Retail
Ion Exchange	Nom	1878 Old Mission Dr. Harpers Ferry, IA 52146-	(800)291-2143	www.ionxchange.com	hbright@acegroup.cc	all native prairie species, savanna species, woodland species	wholesale & retail
Iowa Prairie Seed Co.	Muscatine	1740 220st. Sheffield, IA 50475	(641) 892-4111	www.iowapraireseed.com	iowaseed@getatlas.com	Eco-type seeds, wide variety	wholesale & retail
Iowa Prairie Seed Co.	Franklin	P.O. Box 228 Sheffield, IA 50475	(515)892-4111			Local genotype seeds	
Kingfisher Farm	Scott	29633 170th Ave, Long Grove, IA 52756	(563) 285- 5406	none	kingfshr@netins.net	Prairie Seeds, *All inquiries please send by email.*	Retail
McGinnis Tree and Seed Co.	Mills	309 E. Florence Glenwood, IA 51534	(712) 527-4308	www.tallgrassprairie-mcginnis.com	quailrun@mchsi.com	Unique plants from high bluffs, (will grow in other areas)	retail
Osenbaugh Grass Seeds	Nom	11009 542st. Lucas, IA 50151	(800)582-2788	none	johno@iowatelecrom.net	Prairie seeds, Conservation preserve prairie mixes	wholesale & retail
Prairie Grass Unlimited	Desmoines	P.O. Box 59 Burlington, IA 52601	(319)754-8839				
Reeves Wildflower Nursery	Nom	28431 200th St. Harper, IA 52231	(641)635-2817	none	rayreeves@lisco.com	presentations and workshops	retail
Rose Hill Nursery	Nom	2282 Teller Rd. Rose Hill, IA 52586				Grass and wildflower seeds	
State Forest Nursery	Story	2404 South Duff Avenue, Ames, IA	(515) 233-1161	www.iowadnr.com	none	*must be planted in Iowa*	wholesale

Websites on Native Plant Gardening/Landscaping

Chicago Botanic Garden - www.chicagobotanic.org

Conservation Reserve Program – www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/crp/

Eastern Illinois University—www.eiu.edu/~n_plants

Grand Prairie Friends – www.prairienet.org/gpf

Illinois Audubon Society – www.illinoisaudubon.org

Illinois Department Natural Resources/"Corridors for Tomorrow"
http://dnr.state.il.us/lands/education/id/contents.htm

Illinois Native Plant Society – www.ill-inps.org

Illinois Natural History Survey – www.inhs.uiuc.edu/

Iowa Prairie Network Services – web.grinnell.edu/cps/Prairie_Information/Basics.htm

The Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center—www.wildflower.org

Missouri Botanical Garden (the Kemper Center for Home Gardening) – www.mobot.org

Missouri "Grow Native Program" – www.grownative.org

The Morton Arboretum – www.mortonarb.org

National Wildlife Federation – www.nwf.org

Prairie Crossings – www.prairiecrossing.com

State Beautification Initiative (Patti Blagojevich's, First Lady of IL, Program) -
www.illinois.gov/firstlady/faq.cfm

U.S. Department of Agriculture—plants.usda.gov

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – www.epa.gov/greenacres/

Wild Ones – www.for-wild.org

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FEEDBACK FORM
Increase Your Sales with Native Plants
March 13, 2006
Lincoln Memorial Garden and Nature Center, Springfield, IL

We intend to sponsor additional workshops in the future, and your input on this evaluation will be useful to us when making those plans. Please answer each question on the front and back of this form. Then return the form before leaving today. Thanks in advance for your valuable feedback.

1. What attracted you to attend this seminar?

2. Did the title accurately represent information provided? Why or why not?

3. How much did you know about using native plants in landscaping before this workshop?

   _____Knew nothing

   _____Limited knowledge

   _____Some knowledge

   _____Extensive knowledge

4. Approximately how many native plant species does your nursery currently sell?

   _____ Do not know

   _____ Less than 10

   _____ 11-25

   _____ 25-50

   _____ More than 50

5. If you sell native plant species, do you currently promote them separately from other plants?

6. What was most useful to you? Why?

7. What was least useful to you? Why?

8. What additional information would be useful?

9. Would you advise others to attend our workshop on this topic? Why or why not?

10. Was any of the presented information contrary to your experience? If so, what?

11. As a result of this workshop, are you more apt to promote or increase the number of native plant species in your inventory? Why or why not?

12. Would a CD containing native plants that could sort them by their horticultural traits be useful? Why or why not?

13. Other comments.