

## PERENNIAL CARE

# minnesota native perennials for sun and shade

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Native plants are species that occur naturally in certain ecosystems and locations. Plants are considered Minnesota native species if they were observed in Minnesota at the time of the Public Land Survey (1847-1907). Any plant that expands from its historic range into the state without human intervention is also considered native. Native plants are an excellent choice for the home garden as they are best adapted to our local climate and growing conditions. Additionally, native plants are great sources of pollen, nectar, and seeds for native pollinators, birds, and other animals, and also provide great habitat for wildlife. Consider these beautiful Minnesota native plants when searching for your next garden additions!

### Full Sun (6+ hours direct sun)

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| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (Common Yarrow)                 | <i>Fragaria virginiana</i> (Wild Strawberry)         |
| <i>Acorus americanus</i> (Sweet Flag)                       | <i>Gaillardia aristata</i> (Blanket Flower)          |
| <i>Agastache foeniculum</i> (Anise Hyssop)                  | <i>Gentiana alba</i> (Cream Gentian)                 |
| <i>Allium cernuum</i> (Nodding Onion)                       | <i>Gentiana andrewsii</i> (Bottle Gentian)           |
| <i>Andropogon gerardii</i> (Big Bluestem)                   | <i>Geum triflorum</i> (Prairie Smoke)                |
| <i>Anemone canadensis</i> (Canada Anemone)                  | <i>Helianthus pauciflorus</i> (Stiff Sunflower)      |
| <i>Antennaria neglecta</i> (Field Pussytoes)                | <i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> (False Sunflower)     |
| <i>Artemisia ludoviciana</i> (White Sage)                   | <i>Liatis aspera</i> (Rough Blazing Star)            |
| <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> (Swamp Milkweed)                 | <i>Liatis cylindracea</i> (Cylindrical Blazing Star) |
| <i>Asclepias speciosa</i> (Showy Milkweed)                  | <i>Liatis ligulistylis</i> (Meadow Blazing Star)     |
| <i>Asclepias syriaca</i> (Common Milkweed)                  | <i>Liatis pycnostachya</i> (Prairie Blazing Star)    |
| <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> (Butterfly Weed)                  | <i>Lilium michiganense</i> (Michigan Lily)           |
| <i>Baptisia australis</i> (Blue False Indigo)               | <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> (Cardinal Flower)          |
| <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> (Sideoats Grama)              | <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> (Great Blue Lobelia)      |
| <i>Bouteloua gracilis</i> (Blue Grama)                      | <i>Lupinus perennis</i> (Wild Lupine)                |
| <i>Dalea purpurea</i> (Purple Prairie Clover)               | <i>Lythrum alatum</i> (Winged Loosestrife)           |
| <i>Echinacea angustifolia</i><br>(Narrow-Leaved Coneflower) | <i>Monarda fistulosa</i> (Wild Bergamot)             |
| <i>Eragrostis spectabilis</i> (Purple Love Grass)           | <i>Monarda punctata</i> (Spotted Bee Balm)           |
| <i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i> (Rattlesnake Master)            | <i>Opuntia humifusa</i> (Eastern Prickly Pear)       |
| <i>Eutrochium maculatum</i> (Spotted Joe Pye)               | <i>Penstemon digitalis</i> (Foxglove Beardtongue)    |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> (Sweet Joe Pye)                 | <i>Penstemon gracilis</i> (Slender Beardtongue)      |
|   | <i>Physostegia virginiana</i> (Obedient Plant)       |

## Full Sun (6+ hours direct sun) cont.

<i>Pinus strobus</i> (Eastern White Pine)*	<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i> (Prairie Dropseed)
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i> (Selfheal/Heal-All)	<i>Symphotrichum leave</i> (Smooth Aster)
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i> (Mtn. Mint)	<i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i> (New England Aster)
<i>Ratibida columnifera</i> (Prairie Coneflower)	<i>Symphotrichum oblongifolium</i> (Aromatic Aster)
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i> (Gray-Headed Coneflower)	<i>Symphotrichum oolentangiense</i> (Sky Blue Aster)
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> (Black-Eyed Susan)	<i>Tradescantia ohioensis</i> (Ohio Spiderwort)
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i> (Brown-Eyed Susan)	<i>Verbena hastata</i> (Blue Vervain)
<i>Ruellia humilis</i> (Wild Petunia)	<i>Verbena stricta</i> (Hoary Vervain)
<i>Salix discolor</i> (Pussy Willow)*	<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i> (Common Ironweed)
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> (Little Bluestem)	<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i> (Culver's Root)
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i> (Cup Plant)	<i>Zizia aurea</i> (Golden Alexander)
<i>Solidago rigida</i> (Stiff Goldenrod)	
<i>Solidago speciosa</i> (Showy Goldenrod)	
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i> (Yellow Prairie Grass)	

**Note:** Many of these plants will grow in part sun exposure but will bloom best in full sun.

## Part Sun/Shade (0-6 hours direct sun)

<i>Adiantum pedatum</i> (Northern Maidenhair Fern)	<i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i> (Virginia Waterleaf)
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> (Eastern Red Columbine)	<i>Koeleria macrantha</i> (Junegrass)
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> (Jack-in-the-Pulpit)	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> (Ostrich Fern)
<i>Asarum canadense</i> (Wild Ginger)	<i>Mertensia virginica</i> (Virginia Bluebells)
<i>Carex sprengelii</i> (Long-Beaked Sedge)	<i>Mimulus ringens</i> (Allegheny Monkey Flower)
<i>Carex pensylvanica</i> (Penn. Sedge)	<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> (Sensitive Fern)
<i>Chelone glabra</i> (White Turtlehead)	<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> (Cinnamon Fern)
<i>Diervilla lonicera</i> (Northern Bush Honeysuckle)*	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> (Virginia Creeper)
<i>Dodecatheon meadia</i> (Shooting Star)	<i>Phlox divaricata</i> (Woodland Phlox)
<i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> (Large-Leaved Aster)	<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i> (Zigzag Goldenrod)
<i>Geranium maculatum</i> (Wild Geranium)	<i>Thalictrum dioicum</i> (Purple Meadow Rue)
<i>Hepatica acutiloba</i> (Sharp-Lobed Hepatica)	<i>Thalictrum dioicum</i> (Early Meadow Rue)
	<i>Trillium grandiflorum</i> (Great White Trillium)

**Note:** Many of these plants will grow in shady conditions but will bloom best in part sun.

\*Woody tree or shrub