

# The Native Plant Center's 2012 Wildflower & Native Plant Pre-Sale Catalog

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**CODES:** Deer Resistant (DR) Drought Resistant (DT) Butterfly Host/Nectar (BF) Birds (BD)  
Draws Hummingbirds (H) Wetland Tolerant (W)

## WILDFLOWERS: SPRING INTO SUMMER BLOOM

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| 1 | <b>Allium cernuum</b> - Nodding Onion <b>DR DT BF H</b> Clusters of dainty pink or white bells weep from erect stems. All plant parts are edible. Rumored to prevent moles, these beauties are salt-tolerant and deer-resistant. Like its cousin chives, nodding onion generously self-sows. <b>Average to moist, well-drained soil, sun, 12-18" tall.</b>   |
| 2 | <b>Anemonella thalictroides</b> - Rue Anemone <b>DR DT</b> Rue-anemone is a delicate woodland perennial with a lacy whorl of 3-parted, dark-green leaves above which rise delicate, reddish-brown stems bearing pink or white blossoms. Similar to Windflower Anemones except for the numerous flowers and rounded leaflets. An early bloomer with exceptionally long-lasting flowers. <b>Moist rich, sometimes dry soil, part shade, 6-8" tall.</b> |
| 3 | <b>Arisaema triphyllum</b> - Jack-in-the-Pulpit <b>DR W</b> This one should be in every child's garden, with its distinctive cylindrical, hooded "pulpit," green in color with brown or purple stripes and "Jack" sheltered within. In late summer, a cluster of bright red berries appears. <b>Rich, moist soil, sun to shade, 12-18" tall.</b>   |
| 4 | <b>Asarum canadense</b> - Wild Ginger <b>DR BF</b> The leaves are gray-green, heart-shaped, up to 6" wide and disliked by deer. This deciduous ginger is a much faster spreader than the evergreen one and is a fine groundcover around other woodland plants. Cute flowers look like little brown jugs. <b>Moist rich soil in shade. 3-4" tall.</b>   |
| 5 | <b>Chamaelirium luteum</b> - Fairywand <b>W</b> Thick, dark green basal leaves give rise to a stem topped with a fuzzy bottlebrush of dazzling white flowers. This plant is rarely offered! <b>Moist to wet soil, sun to light shade, 8-14" (in bloom).</b>  |
| 6 | <b>Dicentra cucullaria</b> - Dutchman's Breeches <b>DR</b> Rarely offered, the dense masses of deeply cut, fern-like leaves support clusters of fragrant, white, pantaloon-shaped flowers on a leafless stalk and overtop the much-divided, feathery basal leaves. This woodland ephemeral can spread to cover considerable areas, but foliage dies back in summer. <b>Moist rich soil, sun to shade, 8-12" tall.</b>                                |
| 7 | <b>Diphylleia cymosa</b> - Umbrella Leaf Wide and distinct umbrella-like leaves form beautiful clumps in a woodland setting. The small white flowers, which persist throughout the season, transform into striking umbels of blue-black berries on cerise stalks. <b>Moist, rich soil, sun to part shade, 24-36" tall.</b>   |
| 8 | <b>Galax aphylla</b> - Beetleweed The round basal foliage is shiny, green and leathery, bright green in summer and bronzed to reddish in winter. Spike-like racemes of dainty, white flowers grow on leafless stalk. <b>Cool, moist sites with rich, well-drained soil, part shade to shade, 8-16" tall.</b>   |
| 9 | <b>Geum rivale</b> - Water Avens <b>W</b> This floriferous beauty features dark red, bell-shaped flowers with yellow-green centers and ruffled dark, green leaves. Fluffy seed heads sparkle in autumn. The roots were used by Native Americans and pioneers for remedies and chocolate flavoring. <b>Moist to average soil, sun to part shade, 12-18" tall.</b>   |

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| 10   | <i>Hyopoxis hirsuta</i> - Yellow Star Grass <b>BF</b> This plant is easily mistaken for a short tuft of grass when not in bloom. Fortunately, the sunny star-shaped flowers bloom on and off throughout the growing season. A wonderful accent or edging plant. <b>Average to dry soils, sun, 6-8" tall.</b>   |
| 11   | <i>Mitchella repens</i> - Partridge Berry <b>DR BD</b> Tiny glossy evergreen foliage sets off small tubular white or pinkish flowers in early June followed by red berries that last almost all winter. Plants form a wide patch. <b>Moist, acid, well-drained soil, shade, 2" tall by 18" wide.</b>   |
| 12   | <i>Oenothera fruticosa</i> - Sundrops <b>DR BD H</b> Tough and reliable, it is well suited to hot dry sites. The buds begin as red but open into beautiful bright yellow flowers in early summer. Great early color for a meadow. <b>Dry soil, full sun, 15-18" tall.</b>  |
| 13   | <i>Penstemon digitalis</i> - Foxglove Beardtongue <b>DR DT BF H</b> In early summer, white or light pink tubular 1" flowers rise above a basal rosette of lustrous dark green leaves. <b>Light, average soil, full to part sun, 3-4' tall.</b>   |
| 14   | <i>Polemonium reptans</i> - Jacob's Ladder <b>DR</b> Downy leaves with blue-violet blossoms in May. Useful in many garden situations, such as a groundcover, in shady woods to rock gardens. <b>Average soil, full shade to part sun, 6-10" tall.</b>  |
| 15   | <i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> 'Sugar and Spice' - Foamflower <b>DR</b> Burgundy and green extremely variegated foliage sport spikes of starry white flowers all summer. Creeps rapidly by runners, as befits a groundcover, but is not invasive. It mixes well with other woodland plants. Semi-evergreen. <b>Moist soil, shade, 8" tall.</b>   |
| 16   | <i>Uvularia grandiflora</i> - Great Merrybells <b>DT</b> Early blooming bell-shaped, pale-yellow flowers are nodding and the petals are often twisted into golden curls. Forms clumps of long-lasting foliage that become larger with more blooms over time. <b>Moist, rich soil, shade, 1-3' tall.</b>  |
| 17   | <i>Zizia aptera</i> - Heart-leaved Alexander <b>DT BF</b> Glossy evergreen basal leaves give rise in late spring to upright stems displaying Queen Anne's lace-type flowers turned to gold. A host plant for the spectacular Black Swallowtail butterfly. Self-sows slowly and makes a great groundcover. <b>Moist to average soil, sun to light shade, 12-16" tall.</b>   |
| <b>WILDFLOWERS: SUMMER INTO FALL BLOOM</b> |  |
| 18   | <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> 'Gay Butterflies' - Butterfly Weed <b>DR BF H</b> A colorful variation on the species, it produces flowers of red, orange, yellow and bronze in July. Long-lived; adored by butterflies. A beautiful solution for a dry sunny slope. <b>Dry soil, sun, 18 - 24" tall.</b>  |
| 19   | <i>Aster laevis</i> - Smooth Aster <b>DR DT BF BD</b> Large clusters of single, 1" wide violet-blue blooms with gold centers certainly draw butterflies and fill a vase beautifully. This aster needs no staking if grown in full sun. <b>Average to dry soil, sun to light shade, 3-4' tall in flower.</b>  |
| 20   | <i>Aster novae-angliae</i> 'Honeysong Pink' - Pink New England Aster <b>BF W</b> This New England aster cultivar has a robust, upright habit and a profuse bloom of pink daisy-like asters (to 1.5" diameter) with yellow centers. They form robust semi-woody clumps which flower from late summer into fall. Each arching branch is covered with blossoms. <b>Average to moist soil, sun to part sun, 30-36" tall.</b>   |
| 21   | <i>Chrysopsis mariana</i> - Maryland Goldenaster <b>DR DT BF</b> A wonderful yellow addition to the fall palette of pink and blue asters. Clusters of loose, single 2" bright yellow daisy flowers cover the plant in the fall. A great meadow plant that self-sows freely. <b>Sandy, dry to average soil, sun to part shade, 18-24" tall.</b>   |
| 22   | <i>Cimicifuga racemosa</i> - Black Cohosh <b>DR BF</b> Tall wands tipped with long white spires sway with the slightest breeze and catch the dappled sunlight. Bushy plants with finely toothed leaves add to the woodland drama. Spreads slowly to form small colonies. Host plant for the spring azure butterfly. <b>Moist soil, part shade, 3-4' tall.</b>  |
| 23   | <i>Helianthus decapetalus</i> - Thin-leaved Sunflower <b>BF BD</b> Large, bright yellow flowers top stalks with long, slender leaves. Spreads slowly but will not crowd out other meadow-type plants. <b>Moist rich soil, sun to light shade, 3-5' tall.</b>   |
| 24   | <i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> - Prairie Blazing Star <b>DR DT BF BD H</b> Unbranched stalks bear dense spikes of magenta flowers in July and August on strong stems. The nectar-rich flowers are a favorite with butterflies and hummingbirds. Songbirds love the seed. <b>Average to moist, well-drained soil, sun, 30-42" tall.</b>  |
| 25   | <i>Lilium superbum</i> - Yellow Turk's Cap Lily <b>H W</b> The native lilies are among our showiest native plants and this is possibly the showiest of them all. Reaching heights of 6 to 7 feet, the plants branch out in candelabra fashion with many blooms on each "limb." A single specimen may produce twenty or more blossoms. This rare variety comes in shades of yellow with dark brown spots. Blooms June-July. <b>Moist soil, sun to light shade, 6-7' tall.</b> |
| 26   | <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> - Great Blue Lobelia <b>BF BD H W</b> True deep blue tubular flowers on 2' long spikes. A great cut flower. Longer lived and more adaptable than the red lobelia. Self-sows mildly. <b>Moist to average soil (well-mulched), full sun to light shade, 24-30" tall and wide.</b>   |
| 27   | <i>Monarda punctata</i> - Spotted Bee Balm <b>DR DT H</b> This annual bee balm relative sports fragrant whorls of snapdragon blossoms layered on straight stems. Blooms have lavender bracts over soft yellow flowers with purple spots. Self-sows in sunny, well-drained gardens. <b>Average to dry soil, full sun, 12-18" tall.</b>  |

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| 28 | <i>Scutellaria ovata</i> - Heart-leaf Skullcap <b>DR DT BF H</b> Small, heart-shaped deep green leaves with a purple tinge topped by purple spikes of violet-blue, lipped, tubular flowers in mid-June. <b>Average to dry soil, shade, 18-24" tall.</b>   |
| 29 | <i>Silene virginica</i> - Fire Pink <b>BF H</b> A native to the mountains of the East Coast, its bright red flowers are very attractive to the ruby-throated hummingbird. A great rock garden plant, but also does well in other garden situations. Self-sows readily when happy. <b>Average to dry soil, full sun to shade, 12-18" tall.</b>   |
| 30 | <i>Solidago speciosa</i> - Showy Goldenrod <b>DR DT BF BD</b> This is one of the showiest of our Northeastern species of goldenrod that occur throughout the United States. Unlike most goldenrods, these bright yellow flowers stay erect in a pyramidal column. The pollen does not cause hay fever which is a common misconception. It is an important source of nectar and pollen for pollinators of all kinds. <b>Average to moist, well-drained soils, part shade, 3 - 5' tall.</b> |
| 31 | <i>Stokesia laevis</i> 'Peachie's Pick' - Stoke's Aster <b>DT BF</b> An extremely vigorous purple blooming Stoke's Aster, named after a plants woman called Peachie. It has a compact habit and incredible flower power. <b>Average soil, sun to part sun, 12-18" tall.</b>   |
| 32 | <i>Thalictrum pubescens</i> – Tall Meadow Rue <b>DR DT BF BD W</b> Tall and stately, topped by cloudlike masses of tiny blooms in June or July. Flower clusters become long-lasting showy seed-heads beloved by birds. Leaves are similar to columbine and display shades of purple in fall. <b>Moist to average soil, sun to part shade, 6-7' tall.</b>  |
| 33 | <i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i> - New York Ironweed <b>DR DT BF BD W</b> One of our tallest butterfly magnets, ironweed really flags them down. Elegant spires with lance-shaped leaves are crowned by flat-topped blooms of deep purple. <b>Moist to average soil, sun-part shade, 4-8' tall.</b>   |

### FERNS

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| 34 | <i>Adiantum pedatum</i> - Maidenhair Fern <b>DR DT</b> A delicate spiral of leaves on black, wiry stems make this distinctive fern easy to identify. Wider than tall, a very slow spreader, this attractive fern is surprisingly drought tolerant once established. <b>Average soil, shade, 12-15" tall.</b>                         |
| 35 | <i>Thelypteris noveboracensis</i> - New York Fern <b>DR</b> Logo of the NPC, this graceful fern colonizes shady woodlands, forming a light green groundcover. It is easily identified because both the top and the base of the fronds taper to a point. Host for Owllet moths. <b>Average to moist soil, part shade, 6-12" tall.</b> |
| 36 | <i>Woodsia ilvensis</i> - Rusty Cliff Fern <b>DR DT</b> This petite fern produces tufts of fronds with silvery white undersides that turn rusty brown in fall. Excellent for rock gardens. <b>Rocky, moderately acid soils, sun, 2-10" tall.</b>   |

### SHRUBS, TREES & VINES

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| 37        | <i>Ceanothus americanus</i> - New Jersey Tea <b>DT BF BD</b> Butterflies love the sparkling white flower clusters that top this compact sub-shrub in mid-summer. A real must for the butterfly garden as it is also a host plant for many species. It is a nitrogen-fixing plant that actually improves the soil around it. Rarely offered. <b>Well-drained soil, sun, 2-3' tall.</b>   |
| 38        | <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> - Pagoda Dogwood <b>BF BD</b> Small tree with striking horizontal multi-tiered branches. White flower clusters in late spring. Birds eat the berries even before they ripen. Bark and twigs are green to reddish-purple. <b>Well-drained soil, sun to light shade, 25' tall x 15-25' wide.</b>   |
| 39        | <i>Decumaria barbara</i> 'Barbara Ann' - Climbing Hydrangea <b>BF</b> Although this vine can be used as a groundcover, please note that it will only bloom when climbing. May be evergreen in mild winters and/or protected locations. <b>Rich acid soils, part shade, to 30' long.</b>   |
| 40<br>40A | <i>Ilex verticillata</i> 'Red Sprite' and (male pollinator) - Dwarf Winterberry <b>DT BF BD W</b> The smallest female dwarf variety of our common winterberry, 'Red Sprite', bears a profusion of very large bright red fruit which persists late into winter. Two females and 1 male are being sold as a group in line 40. Additional female shrubs are available to create a hedge or to cover a larger area by ordering from line 40 A of the Pre-Sale Order Form. <b>Moist, acidic soil, sun to shade, female 4' x 4' tall, male 8-10' tall.</b>        |
| 41        | <i>Lindera benzoin</i> - Spicebush <b>DR BF BD W</b> A broad, rounded, multi-stemmed shrub covered with fragrant yellow flowers in early spring and aromatic leaves which turn bright yellow in the fall. It is a host plant for Spicebush and Tiger Swallowtail butterflies and birds feed on brilliant red berries in late summer. Purchase multiples to insure berries as only females will bear fruit. <b>Average to dry soil, sun to part shade, 20-36" tall.</b>  |
| 42        | <i>Magnolia virginiana</i> – Sweetbay Magnolia <b>BF BD W</b> A graceful small to medium sized single trunked or multi-stemmed tree with elegant lemon scented creamy white blooms. It is best planted in spring in moist to wet acidic soil in a sunny or partially sunny location. In the fall, its large woody fruits mature, offering reddish-orange seeds to native and migrating birds. An ancient genus which evolved prior to bees, and accordingly, all are pollinated by beetles. <b>Rich, moist soil, part shade, 20-30' tall, 10'-15' wide.</b> |
| 43        | <i>Viburnum trilobum</i> 'Bailey's Compact' - Dwarf American Cranberry Bush <b>DT BF BD W</b> This dwarf viburnum has the same striking scarlet berries as the taller shrub, along with the same large flat white blooms and maple-shaped leaves (deep red in fall), but fits nicely in compact spaces. <b>Wet to average soil, part shade, 5-6' high and wide.</b>   |

## GRASSES & GROWDCOVERS

Plants marked with an \* are available in economical plug size

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| 44 | <b><i>Andropogon scoparium</i></b> - Big Bluestem <b>DR DT BF BD</b> An ornamental bunchgrass with fine-textured foliage. Slender, blue-green stems, appearing in August become radiant mahogany-red with white, shining seed tufts in the fall. Color remains nearly all winter. <b>Average to dry soil, sun to part sun, 24 - 36" tall.</b>   |
| 45 | <b><i>Carex appalachica</i></b> - Appalachian Sedge * <b>DR DT</b> Fine grassy blades form compact mounded clumps. A perfect edging plant, groundcover or lawn substitute for low traffic areas. Glorious in a shade container or window box. <b>Average to dry soil, full sun to part shade, 3-5" tall.</b>  |
| 46 | <b><i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i></b> 'Goldtau' - Golden Tufted Hairgrass * <b>DR BF BD W</b> This semi-evergreen clump-forming grass comes in the deepest green sculpted tussocks, topped in midsummer by shimmering golden inflorescences. 'Goldtau' translates to gold dew, enough said. Spectacular in masses, also great for edging borders and paths. Adds architectural poise to the winter landscape. <b>Moist to average soil, sun - part shade, 1-2' in flower.</b>   |
| 47 | <b><i>Heuchera longiflora</i></b> - Longflower Alumroot * <b>DR</b> Small yellow flowers in May and June are featured on long flowering stems and are held 2 feet above deep green foliage which is mottled in silver highlights. In the winter its leaves show more red. Flowers are showier than <i>H. americana</i> . Natural range limited to Tennessee, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia but hardy throughout our range. <b>Moist, well-drained soil, sun to part shade, 8-24" tall.</b>   |
| 48 | <b><i>Panicum amarum</i></b> 'Dewey Blue' - Coastal Panic Grass * <b>DR BD</b> A stunning, native grass, 'Dewey Blue' is perfect for coastal areas, as well as inland gardens. Heat, drought, and humidity won't phase its noticeably upright habit. Similar to <i>Panicum virginianum</i> but has exceptional blue foliage and a vigorous constitution. Airy, light beige "flowers" emerge in late summer and fall, persisting well into winter for a long season of interest. <b>Average to dry soil, sun to part shade, 3 - 4' tall.</b> |
| 49 | <b><i>Senecio aureus</i></b> - Golden Groundsel * <b>DR BF</b> In May, the bright yellow daisies appear in shaded spots in the landscape. Once established, it colonizes and creates an effective low evergreen ground cover. <b>Moist, rich soil, part shade to shade, 12" tall (in bloom).</b>  |
| 50 | <b><i>Waldsteinia fragarioides</i></b> - Barren Strawberry * <b>DT</b> Emerging in late spring, the 5-petaled, golden yellow flowers create a striking contrast above lush, evergreen foliage. Indigenous to the eastern U.S., low, strawberry-like growing habit is commonly found along riverbanks. This multi-season groundcover makes a terrific native substitute for Vinca. <b>Average soil, full sun to part shade, 6" tall.</b>   |

### Brief Definition of Light Requirements:

**Sun:** 6 hours of sun or more

**Part Sun/Part Shade:** Less than half a day of sun or dappled sunlight

**Light Shade:** Half a day of sun

**Full Shade:** No direct sunlight or only sun in early spring before trees leaf out

**General Note:** Unless otherwise noted, all plants listed need well-drained soil and require mulching and/or watering the first year, or until well established, **even those labeled drought resistant.**

**Please Note:** Most plants contain toxic compounds that may be harmful to humans.

The specimens that we sell are not intended for human consumption or utilization in herbal remedy applications.

### PLANT QUESTIONS WELCOMED!

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