

Native Plant Trust

2019 New England Native Plant Pollinator Kits

Native pollinators need native plants for food and habitat. And native plants need native pollinators to reproduce. But the populations of bees, butterflies, bats, and birds that pollinate all plants are plummeting, and the native-plant habitats they depend on are vanishing. You can help! With this carefully selected mix of native pollinator plants, you can transform your home landscape into a native-plant pollinator oasis that buzzes with life!

Kit Overview

Native Plant Trust (formerly New England Wild Flower Society) offers Native Plant Pollinator Kits for advance ordering, tailored for three types of growing conditions:

- Kit 1: Full sun, average to dry soil; well suited to open sites with drier conditions
- Kit 2: Part sun, moist to dry soil; adaptable to a wide range of conditions including woodlands
- Kit 3: Full to part sun, moist to occasionally wet soil; ideal for pond shores and other damp sites

Each kit consists of 50 plug-sized plants (see table below) selected to produce both a cascade of bloom throughout the season and habitat for particular pollinators at all stages of their life cycles. Contained in 5-inch deep plug cells, these plants should mature to fill a space approximately 10 x 12 feet or larger, depending on what is growing there already and the desired planting density.

- Packaged in a single tray, a kit contains 50 wildflowers (7 species) for starting a well-balanced garden that flowers from spring into fall.
- Our plants are started from seed from our region. Nasami Farm staff and volunteers sustainably collect seed in the wild from large, robust populations to ensure high genetic diversity.
- Our plug kits deliver faster results than gardens started from seed, because you start with well-developed plants with deep, healthy root systems that establish quickly.
- We feed our plants with organic fertilizer and use biological controls rather than chemicals as our first line of defense against pests. We use no systemic pesticides, such as neonicotinoids.
- Price: Each kit packs super value at \$180. Native Plant Trust members save 10 percent!
- *Order now for pick-up starting in late June or July! Ordering instructions follow the plant-list tables.*

What's in Our Kits?

Choose kit 1, 2, or 3, according to your growing conditions. The table below indicates the quantities and species planned for each kit. Each plant species designated as a *HOST* supports five or more native lepidoptera (butterfly or moth) species during their larval stage. *Note: Kit contents may vary slightly from what appears in the following table.*

Table: Wildflowers in Kits 1, 2, and 3

Botanic (common)	Blooms	Color	Ht	Kit 1	Kit 2	Kit 3	Bees	Butterflies	Humming-	Host
<i>Antennaria</i> sp.: <i>A. neglecta</i> (field pussytoes) or <i>A. plantaginifolia</i> (plantain-leaved pussytoes)	spring	white	1-3"	10	-	-	✓	✓		✓
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> (red columbine)	spring	red/yellow	8-24"	5	5	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> (swamp milkweed)	summer	pink and white	2-4'	-	5	10	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Chelone glabra</i> (white turtlehead)	late summer/fall	white/pinkish	2-3'	-	-	5	✓			✓
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> (cardinal-flower)	late summer	red	24-36"	-	-	10		✓	✓	
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i> (wild bergamot)	summer	lavender	3-5'	5	-	5	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i> (foxglove beardtongue)	spring/early summer	white	24-36"	5	10	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i> (broad-leaved mountain-mint)	late summer	white to violet	3-4'	-	5	5	✓	✓		
<i>Pycnanthemum tenuifolium</i> (narrow-leaved mountain-mint)	mid- to late summer	white	12-18"	5	-	-	✓	✓		
<i>Solidago caesia</i> (wreath goldenrod)	fall	golden yellow	18-30"	-	10	-	✓	✓		✓
<i>Solidago puberula</i> (downy goldenrod)	early fall	golden yellow	12-36"	10	-	-	✓	✓		✓

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<i>Symphyotrichum cordifolium</i> (blue wood aster)	fall	light blue	1-3'	-	5	-	✓	✓		✓
<i>Symphyotrichum novae-belgii</i> (New York aster)	late summer/fall	pinkish purple	1-3'	10	-	5	✓	✓		✓
<i>Zizia aurea</i> (golden Alexanders)	late spring	bright yellow	12-30"	-	10	10	✓	✓		✓

Order Now for Pick-up in Summer!

Quantities are limited. Place your order as early as possible for pick-up starting in late June or early July:

- Call [Noni Macon, 508-877-7630](tel:508-877-7630) x3209 or email gardennatives@NativePlantTrust.org
- Please specify **kit type, quantity** and **pickup location**: Garden in the Woods (Framingham, Mass.) or Nasami Farm (Whately, Mass.)
- Full payment is due when you order. Please do not send credit card information in your email.

For Best Results

Please follow our instructions about how to prepare the site and care for the plants as they get established in the ground. After you place an order, we will send you instructions on how to prepare the soil, so it will be ready planting when you receive your kits.