

**2021 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 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 75 square 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 $195. Native Plant Trust members save 10 percent!
* *Order now for pick-up starting in June! 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.*

| **Botanic (common)** | **Blooms** | **Color** | **Ht** | **Spacing** | **Kit 1** | **Kit 2** | **Kit 3** | **Bees** | **Butterflies** | **Humming-birds** | **Host** |
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| *Antennaria sp.: A. neglecta* (field pussytoes) or *A. plantaginifolia* (plantain-leaved pussytoes) | spring | white | 1-3" | 6-12” | 10 | - | - | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |
| *Aquilegia canadensis* (red columbine) | spring | red/yellow | 8-24" | 8-12” | 5 | 5 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| *Asclepias incarnata (swamp milkweed)* | summer | pink and white | 2-4' | 12-24” | - | 5 | 10 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| *Chelone glabra (white turtlehead)* | late summer/fall | white/pinkish | 2-3' | 12-24” | - | - | 5 | ✓ |  |  | ✓ |
| *Lobelia cardinalis* (cardinal-flower) | late summer | red | 24-36" | 8-12” | - | - | 10 |  | ✓ | ✓ |  |
| *Monarda fistulosa* (wild bergamot) | summer | lavender | 3-5' | 12-18” | 5 | - | 5 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| *Penstemon digitalis* (foxglove beardtongue) | spring/early summer | white | 24-36" | 14-18” | 5 | 10 | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| *Pycnanthemum muticum* (broad-leaved mountain-mint) | late summer | white to violet | 3-4' | 12-36” | - | 5 | 5 | ✓ | ✓ |  |  |
| *Pycnanthemum tenuifolium* (narrow-leaved mountain-mint) | mid- to late summer | white | 12-18" | 12-36” | 5 | - | - | ✓ | ✓ |  |  |
| *Solidago caesia* (wreath goldenrod) | fall | golden yellow | 18-30" | 12-24” | - | 10 | - | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |
| *Solidago puberula* (downy goldenrod) | early fall | golden yellow | 12- 36" | 12-24” | 10 | - | - | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |
| *Symphyotrichum cordifolium*(blue wood aster) | fall | light blue | 1-3' | 18-24” | - | 5 | - | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |
| *Symphyotrichum novae-belgii* (New York aster) | late summer/fall | pinkish purple | 1-3' | 12-24” | 10 | - | 5 | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |
| *Zizia aurea* (golden Alexanders) | late spring | bright yellow | 12-30" | 10-14” | - | 10 | 10 | ✓ | ✓ |  | ✓ |

**Table: Wildflowers in Kits 1, 2, and 3**

**Order Now for Pick-up in Early Summer!**

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

* Call [Noni Macon](mailto:nmacon@newenglandwild.org?subject=New%20England%20Native%20Plant%20Meadow%20Kit), [508-877-7630](tel://5088777630) 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. We will send you a quote that is securely payable online.

**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.*