

POLLINATOR PLANTS FOR THE VEGETABLE GARDEN













Toledo GROWS Best Practices - Tending a Garden

Planting native and flowering plants in and around your vegetable garden will attract more pollinators and provide them with a good food source. In turn, pollinators increase vegetable and fruit production and help keep the garden healthy and thriving. These plants attract some of the best pollinators to your garden, including native bees, wasps, flies and honeybees, birds, beetles, butterflies, moths, caterpillars and other insects!

Native Plants:

Bloom Times

<p>Swamp Milkweed (<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>) ~ 2' to 3' tall ~ Also provides food for caterpillars</p> 	<p>Early Summer</p>	<p>Foxglove Beard Tongue (<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>) ~ 18" to 24" tall</p> 
<p>Virginia Mountain Mint (<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>) ~ 2' tall</p> 	<p>Summer</p>	<p>Butterfly Weed (<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>) ~ 2' tall ~ Also provides food for hummingbirds</p> 
<p>Wild Bergamot (<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>) ~ 2' to 3' tall ~ Edible leaves, stems, flowers</p> 	<p>Late Summer</p>	<p>Gray headed Coneflower (<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>) ~ 4' to 5' tall ~ Seeds also offer food for birds through fall</p> 
<p>New England Aster (<i>Symphyotricum navae-angliae</i>) ~ 4' to 5' tall</p> 	<p>Early Fall</p>	<p>Purple Coneflower (<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>) ~ 2' to 3' tall ~ Seeds also offer food for birds through fall</p> 
<p>Stiff Goldenrod (<i>Oligoneuron rigidum</i>) ~ 3' to 4' tall ~ Also provides food for caterpillars</p> 	<p>Fall</p>	<p>Dense Blazing Star (<i>Latris spicata</i>) ~ 18" tall ~ Also provides food for hummingbirds</p> 

Flowering Herbs:

Thyme, Sage, Lemon Verbena, Basil, Rosemary, Oregano, Dill, Chives and Cilantro

Annuals:

Sunflower, Alyssum, Cosmos, Lantana, Mexican Sunflowers, Verbena

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