

Michigan Native Pollinator Plants Residential/Border Garden Recommendations

Michigan Native Plants evolved deep roots to survive our state's seasonal droughts. Native plant communities stabilize soils, sequester pollutants, and slow high-volume storm flows - all important to protecting drinking water and aquatic habitat. Here's a short list of species adapted to our climate and friendly to the groomed border garden.

Butterfly Weed

latin Asclepias tuberosa

Height	1 - 2.5 ft	Sun	Full Sun
Spread	1 - 1.5 ft	Water	Dry - Medium
Color	yellow/orange	Bloom	June to August

Sand Coreopsis

latin Coreopsis lanceolota

Height	1 - 2 ft	Sun	Full Sun
Spread	1 - 1.5 ft	Water	Dry - Medium
Color	yellow	Bloom	May to July

Pale Purple Coneflower

latin Echinacea pallida

Height	2 - 3 ft	Sun
Spread	1 - 1.5 ft	Water
Color	purple	Bloom

Purple Coneflower

latin Echinacea purpurea

Height	2.5 - 5.0 ft	Sun	Full Sun - Part Shade-
Spread	1.5 - 2 ft	Water	Dry - Medium
Color	purple/pink	Bloom	June to August

Bee Balm

latin Monarda bradburia

Height	1 - 2 ft	Sun
Spread	1 - 2 ft	Water
Color	pink/white/lavendar	Bloom

Full Sun - Part Shade Dry - Medium May

Full Sun

Dry - Medium

July to October

Full Sun - Part Shade

Dry - Medium June to July

Black-eyed Susan

latin Rudbeckia fulgida

Height	2 - 3 ft	Sun
Spread	2 - 2.5 ft	Water
Color	yellow/orange	Bloom

Golden Alexanders

latin Zizia aurea

Height	1.5 -3 ft
Spread	1.5 - 2 ft
Color	yellow

Full Sun to Part Shade Medium May to June















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Sun

Water

Bloom