

## Garden with Natives Q&A – Additional Native Plant Resources

Select native plants for particular purposes, courtesy of Jane Gulley, Arkansas Master Gardener

### Shrubs for screening:

Possumhaw/Deciduous Holly  
Winterberry  
American Holly

Florida Anise Tree  
Anise Shrub

### Rain Garden:

Joe-Pye Weed  
Swamp Milkweed  
some sedges  
Amsonia  
Turtlehead (Chelome)  
Blue Flag Iris  
some asters

Swamp Mallow  
*Hibiscus coccineus*  
Carolina Spiderlily  
Buttonbush  
Buckeyes  
Leadplant (*Amorpha fruticosa*)  
Hairybeak grass

### Erosion control:

New Jersey Tea  
Little Bluestem  
some sedges  
Shrubby St. John's Wort  
Possumhaw/Deciduous Holly

Fragrant Sumac  
Prairie Dropseed  
Rough Dogwood  
Poverty Grass  
Rattlesnake Master

### Window box with afternoon sun:

Annuals. When using annuals, take down the box in winter.

Thread-leaf Coreopsis  
native poinsettia  
Euphorbia marginata

Sunflowers (*Helianthus*)  
*Gallardia pulchella*  
*Monarda citriodoro*

Perrenials. If you don't want to take the box down and don't mind dividing plants you can use most any native perennial. Try to have continual bloom and vary heights and leaf textures.

Columbine (might burn out in hot summer)  
Rudbeckia (select by height)  
Bushe's Poppy Mallow (hangs down; trim when ratty)  
Prairie Onion

Fragrant Aster (late bloom; trim early and mid summer)  
Passionflower  
Flag Iris (for texture)

### Window box for shade:

Solomon Seal  
Lady Fern or Christmas Fern  
Gray's Sedge

native Impatiens  
Columbine (cut after bloom)  
Mistflower (late bloom; trim in spring)

**Bulbs/corms:**

Trout Lily  
Liatris  
Jack-in-the-Pulpit  
Iris (really rhizomes)

Carolina Spiderlily  
Alliums  
Spring Beauty  
Turk's-cap Lily

**Native annuals**

Thread-leaf Coreopsis  
Jewelweed  
native Poinsettia  
Helianthus annus

Monarda citriodora  
Gaillardia pulchella  
Basketflower

**Low ground cover:**

Ginger  
Hay-scented fern  
Wild Strawberry  
Virginia Creeper  
Lyreleaf Sage  
Common Violet  
Golden Alexanders

Creeping Phlox  
Phlox pilosa  
Phlox subulata  
Golden Groundsel  
Prairie Dropseed  
Sedges (Carex bicknelli, cephalophora, leavenworthii, pensylvanica)

**Hummingbird attracting plants:**

New Jersey Tea  
Cross Vine  
Trumpet Vine  
Trumpet Honeysuckle  
Cardinalflower  
Beebalm  
Red Buckeye  
Sages/Salvias  
native Rhododendron/Azaleas  
Columbine

Indian Pink  
Beard-tongues  
Phlox  
Jewelweed  
Blue Lobelia  
Copper Iris  
Swamp Milkweed  
Purple Coneflower  
Monarda fistulosa  
Witch Hazel

**Books:**

- Armitage Armitage's Native Plants for North American Gardens
- D. Tallamy Bringing Nature Home
- S. Kress The Audubon Society Guide to Attracting Birds
- L. Kendrick-Lacy Gardening to Attract Butterflies
- Adelman & B. Schwartz The Midwestern Native Garden: Native Alternatives to Nonnative Flowers and Plants
- Hunter Trees, Shrubs, and Vines of Arkansas
- Hunter Wildflowers of Arkansas
- Kurz Ozark Wildflowers



- J. Miller. [Non-native Invasive Plants of Southern Forest – A Field Guide for Identificaiton and Control](#)
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden [Native Alternatives to Invasive Plants](#)
- B. Vogt [A New Garden Ethic: Cultivating Defiant Compassion for an Uncertain Future](#)

### **Online Resources:**

Audubon's Plants for birds database. Need a list of plants? Enter your zipcode.

<https://www.audubon.org/native-plants>

Audubon Arkansas's Spring Native Plant Sale

<https://ar.audubon.org/events/2020-native-plant-market-little-rock-audubon-center>

Like any garden, a native one is still work, but there are great benefits. Why natives matter:

<https://www.audubon.org/content/why-native-plants-matter>

Plants that are good for erosion control. Check which ones are also AR natives.

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/gardens-gardening/your-garden/help-for-the-home-gardener/advice-tips-resources/visual-guides/ps-plants-for-erosion-control-trees-and-shrubs>

Rain garden construction

<https://ar.audubon.org/conservation/rain-gardens-and-rain-barrels>

Arkansas lawn and garden weed ID

<https://www.uaex.edu/yard-garden/resource-library/weed-id/>

How to create a hummingbird friendly yard

<https://www.audubon.org/content/how-create-hummingbird-friendly-yard>

How to cold stratify seeds

<https://www.americanmeadows.com/blog/2018/03/07/how-to-cold-stratify-seeds>

Fall sowing of milkweed seeds

<https://www.americanmeadows.com/blog/2017/09/11/plant-milkweed-seed-fall>

### **Native Plant Sellers:**

*In Arkansas*

Pine Ridge Gardens [pineridgegardens.com](http://pineridgegardens.com)

Holland Wildflower Farm [hollandwildflowerfarm.com](http://hollandwildflowerfarm.com)

Ozark Native Plants [ozarknativeplants.com](http://ozarknativeplants.com)

White River Nursery [whiterivernursery.com](http://whiterivernursery.com)

Wild Streak Plants [facebook.com/wildstreakplants](http://facebook.com/wildstreakplants)

*Outside Arkansas*

Strawberry Plains Audubon Center [strawberryplains.audubon.org](http://strawberryplains.audubon.org)

Roundstone Native Seed [roundstoneseed.com/](http://roundstoneseed.com/)

Prairie Moon Nursery [www.prairiemoon.com/](http://www.prairiemoon.com/)



Native American Seed [www.seedsource.com/](http://www.seedsource.com/)

**Native plant profiles:**

Missour Botanical Garden <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/>

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center <https://www.wildflower.org/plants-main>

USDA PLANTS Database [plants.usda.gov](http://plants.usda.gov)

**Organizations**

Arkansas Native Plant Society [anps.org](http://anps.org)

Arkansas Master Gardeners [uaex.edu/yard-garden/master-gardeners](http://uaex.edu/yard-garden/master-gardeners)

Arkansas Master Naturalists [wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org](http://wordpress.arkansasmasternaturalists.org)

Wild Ones Central Arkansas <https://centralarkansas.wildones.org>

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