

COMMON NATIVE PLANTS

Trees

Pin Oak, Scarlet Oak, and Swamp White Oak

Service Berry

Flowering Dogwood

Eastern Hemlock

Shrubs

Button Bush

Spice Bush

Gray, Silky and Red Osier Dogwoods

Nannyberry

Flowers

Purple Coneflower

Cardinal Flower

Black-eyed Susan

Wild Geranium



Blue Lobelia

Garden Phlox

Butterfly Weed



Using native plants in your yard creates a beautiful, low-maintenance, and inexpensive landscape. Choosing to use native plants benefits you and the environment!

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Landscaping with Native Plants



Plant Selection & Landscape Tips for a Beautiful Yard and a Healthy Environment

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Why Use Native Plants?



Native Plants are adapted to local environmental conditions and thus:

- Need Less Water
- Require Less Mowing and Maintenance Time
- Have Lower Fertilizer and Pesticide Needs
- Provide Food and Shelter for Wildlife
- Add Color and Interest to A Landscape

You can save time and money, as well as reduce negative impacts to local water resources, by landscaping with native plants!

What Are Native Plants?

Native plants are trees, grasses, shrubs and flowers that have evolved over thousands of years in a particular region. They have become well-adapted to the physical features and climate of the area.

Native plants provide habitat for a variety of native wildlife including songbirds and butterflies.



Because **native plants** grow in the wild without human intervention, they are sensible choices for low-maintenance gardens and landscapes.



Problem Solving With Native Plants!

Can a native plant take care of that bare spot in your landscaping? Finding the best native plant for your yard is easy! Just follow these steps:



- 1. Analyze the prospective site for soil drainage, sun, and nutrient levels of the soil.** Test kits are available at the District Office.
- 2. Find a native plant that corresponds to your site's environmental profile.** The District Office can direct you to a number of helpful publications in this regard.
- 3. Locate and obtain your native plant from a reputable source.** A list of native plants and nurseries where they can be purchased can be obtained from the District Office.