



# Wisconsin Pollinators

## Pollinator Plants for Bees

This guide features regional native plants for the Great Lakes that are highly attractive to pollinators and are well-suited to small-scale plantings in gardens, on business and school campuses, in urban greenspaces and farm field borders. These plants are particularly attractive to native bees and honey bees.

In planning your garden, be sure to have something blooming all season so there is always a food source for bees. Dandelions and clover provide early sources for bees if you don't mind having them in your greenspace.

Bloom Period	Common Name	Scientific Name	Color	Height (feet)
EARLY	Lanceleaf coreopsis	Coreopsis lanceolata	Yellow	3
	Smooth penstemon	Penstemon digitalis	White	3
	Wild lupine	Lupinus perennis	Blue	3
	Shooting star	Dodecatheon meadia	Pink, white, Violet	2
MID	Butterfly milkweed	Asclepias tuberosa	Orange	2
	Dotted mint	Monarda punctata	Purple	2
	Great blue lobelia	Lobelia siphilitica	Blue	3
	Purple coneflower	Echinacea purpurea	Purple	4
	Virginia mountainmint	Pycnanthemum virginianum	White	3
	Bergamont	Monarda fistulosa	Purple	4
	Black-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia hirta	Yellow	3
MID-LATE	Cupplant	Silphium perfoliatum	Yellow	8
	Prairie blazing star	Liatris pycnostachya	Purple	6
	Rattlesnake master	Eryngium yucciflorum	White	4
	Purple giant hyssop	Agastache scrophulariifolia	Purple	6
	Dogtooth daisy	Helenium autumnale	Yellow	5
	Purple prairie clover	Dalea purpurea	Purple	2
	Sweet Joe Pye weed	Eupatorium purpureum	Pink	7
	Wingstem	Verbesina alternifolia	Yellow	6
LATE	Bottle gentian	Gentiana andersii	Blue	2
	Calico aster	Symphotrichum lateriflorum	White	2
	Field thistle	Cirsium discolor	Purple	6
	New England aster	Symphotrichum novae-angliae	Purple	6
	Showy goldenrod	Solidago speciosa	Yellow	5