

PLANT REQUIREMENTS AND CHARACTERISTICS

Where Your Plant Will Be Happy: Light and Moisture Requirements

Common Name	Scientific Name	Light Requirements			Moisture Requirements			Height
(* = good for rain gardens)		Full Sun	Part-Shade	Shade	Dry	Medium	Wet	(in feet)
Grasses								
Bottlebrush Grass	<i>Elymus hystrix</i>							3
Rye, Canada Wild	<i>Elymus canadensis</i>							4-5
Rye, Silky Wild	<i>Elymus villosus</i>							3
Rye, Virginia Wild	<i>Elymus virginicus</i>							4
Sedges								
Sedge, Brown Fox	<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>							3
Forbs								
Aster, New England*	<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>							4-5
Aster, Smooth Blue	<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>							3-4
Beardtongue, Foxglove	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>							3-4
Bellflower, Tall	<i>Campanulastrum americanum</i>							4-5
Bergamot, Wild	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>							4
Blazing Star, Marsh*	<i>Liatris spicata</i>							4
Coneflower, Yellow	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>							4-5
Columbine, Wild	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>							2
Coreopsis, Tall	<i>Coreopsis tripteris</i>							7

Gentian, Cream	<i>Gentiana alba</i>					 		3
Golden Alexander	<i>Zizia aurea</i>					 	  	3
Goldenrods								
Goldenrod, Blue-stemmed	<i>Solidago caesia</i>					 		3
Goldenrod, Riddell's*	<i>Oligoneuron riddellii</i>					 	  	3
Goldenrod, Stiff	<i>Oligoneuron rigidum</i>					 		4
Goldenrod, Zig Zag	<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>					 		3
Ironweed, Missouri	<i>Vernonia missurica</i>					 		5
Joe Pye Weed, Spotted	<i>Eutrochium maculatum</i>					 	  	5
Joe Pye Weed, Sweet	<i>Eutrochium purpureum</i>					 		7
Cardinal Flower*	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>					 	  	4
Great Blue Lobelia*	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>					 	  	3
Milkweeds								
Butterfly Weed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>					 		2
Common Milkweed	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>					 		4-5
Sullivant's (Prairie) Milkweed	<i>Asclepias sulivantii</i>					 		3
Swamp Milkweed*	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>					 	  	4
Mountain Mint*	<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>					 	  	3
Onion, Nodding Wild	<i>Allium cernuum</i>					 	  	<2

Rattlesnake Master	<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>					 		4
Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>		 			 		3
St. John's Wort, Great*	<i>Hypericum ascyron</i>		 			 	  	3
Susan, Black-eyed	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>		 			 	  	2
Susan, Sweet Black-eyed	<i>Rudbeckia subtomentosa</i>		 			 	  	3-5
Thimbleweed	<i>Anemone cylindrica</i>		 			 		2
Turtlehead*	<i>Chelone glabra</i>					 	  	5