



# Ford County SWCD

## Spring 2015 Native Plant Sale



Many native flowers have beautiful blooms that attract birds, butterflies and other wildlife. We hope you will give natives a try! If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Ashley at (217) 379-2372 or [ashley.warren@il.nacdnet.net](mailto:ashley.warren@il.nacdnet.net). Please place your order early to ensure availability.

- Native Plant Pick-up is on Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> at the Ford County SWCD Office at 1380 W Ottawa, Paxton, IL.
- Plants will be 2 ¼ inch plugs or in 2 ½ inch small pots. They will grow quickly after planting.

### NATIVE FORBS

<u>Common Name</u> ( <i>Botanical</i> )	<u>Habitat</u> Light tolerance Moisture tolerance	<u>Mature Height</u> in feet	<u>Bloom color</u> season	<u>Descriptions</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<b>Lead Plant</b> ( <i>Amorpha canescens</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 – 3	purple June – July	This plant has spikes of purple flowers above delicate gray-green leaves. Very drought resistant.	
<b>Wild Columbine</b> ( <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> )	Tolerates all mesic to dry	2 - 4	red/yellow April-June	Lovely flower with red spurs in spring. Re-seeds easily and attracts hummingbirds.	
<b>Jack-in-the-Pulpit</b> ( <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> )	Savanna/woodland wet mesic-dry mesic	1-3	green April-July	Unique pitcher shaped flower that is common in woodlands. Produces bright red fruit.	
<b>Butterfly Weed</b> ( <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 – 3	orange June - Aug	Brilliant orange flowers attract legions of Monarch butterflies. Does not like fertilizer or “wet feet”.	
<b>Sky Blue Aster</b> ( <i>Aster azureus</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 - 3½	bright blue Aug - Oct	Showy, spreading clusters of 1-inch blue flowers with yellow centers at the top of stems.	
<b>White Wild Indigo</b> ( <i>Baptisia leucantha</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet mesic to dry	2 – 4	white June - July	Striking white spikes of flowers bloom in June with interesting large black seed pods that are held through fall.	
<b>Cream Wild Indigo</b> ( <i>Baptisia leucophaea</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	1½	cream May – June	A beautiful, sprawling, bush-like plant with one foot long drooping flower spikes with large creamy yellow flowers	
<b>Harebell</b> ( <i>Campanula rotundifolia</i> )	Prairie/savanna dry mesic to dry	¾ - 1	violet June-Sept	Blue bell-shaped flower atop delicate stem. Should be planted away from more aggressive plants.	
<b>New Jersey Tea</b> ( <i>Ceanothus americanus</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2	white June-July	A woody stemmed plant of the prairie. Spectacular flowers attract butterflies. (Bunnies love NJ Tea – may need fencing)	
<b>White Prairie Clover</b> ( <i>Dalea candida</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	1 – 3	white July - Aug	1 to 3 inch long cylindrical flower spikes rest atop arching stems. White flowers contrast with fine leaves	
<b>Purple Prairie Clover</b> ( <i>Dalea purpurea</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	1 – 3	purple July - Aug	Flowers are dense, cylindrical spikes atop arching stems. This plant is drought resistant.	
<b>Shooting Star</b> ( <i>Dodecatheon meadia</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet mesic to dry mesic	½ - 2	white to pink May-June	Lovely, early prairie flower that goes dormant when summer heat arrives.	
<b>Pale Purple Coneflower</b> ( <i>Echinacea pallida</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 – 4	lavender June - July	Flowers are cones surrounded by thin, pale lavender, long, drooping rays. Seeds loved by wildlife in winter.	
<b>Rattlesnake Master</b> ( <i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i> )	Prairie mesic to dry	3- 4	white July-Aug	Very unique silvery thistle-type flower heads atop yucca-like foliage.	
<b>Wild Geranium</b> ( <i>Geranium maculatum</i> )	Tolerates all mesic to wet mesic	1-2	lavender Apr-June	Attractive woodland wildflower that produces showy lavender flowers clusters. Freely re-seeds	
<b>Prairie Smoke</b> ( <i>Geum triflorum</i> )	Prairie/savanna dry mesic to dry	1	pink April – May	Plant has hairy stems with numerous basil leaves. Flowers appear in the spring as feathery plumes.	
<b>Downy Sunflower</b> ( <i>Helianthus mollis</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry mesic	2 - 6	yellow August- September	Daisy-like flowers. Stems and leaves are covered by small, soft hairs which give the plant a blue-grey color.	
<b>Rough Blazing Star</b> ( <i>Liatris aspera</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 - 3	violet-purple Jun-Oct	Purple flower heads are loosely and alternately spaced along a wand-like spike up to 1 ½ feet long. Attracts pollinators.	
<b>Prairie Blazing Star</b> ( <i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet to mesic	2 - 4	rosy lilac July - Sept	Spectacular spikes of bunched flowers that attract butterflies & hummingbirds.	

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<b>Virginia Bluebells</b> ( <i>Mertensia virginica</i> )	Savanna/woodland wet mesic to mesic	1-3	blue April-May	Pink buds change to blue flowers. Blooms early and goes dormant when summer heat arrives. Nice woodland plant.	
<b>Wild Bergamot</b> ( <i>Monarda fistulosa</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 - 4	lavender July-Sept	Member of the mint family with abundant round heads of tubular flowers. Attracts pollinators.	
<b>Wild Quinine</b> ( <i>Parthenium integrifolium</i> )	Prairie wet mesic to dry mesic	3 - 5	white June-Sept	Small white flowers in large flat clusters on stalks that sit above short foliage.	
<b>Woodland Phlox</b> ( <i>Phlox divaricata</i> )	Savanna/woodland mesic to dry	1- 2	blue July - Aug	Great light-shade, woodland plant. Clusters of showy blue flowers.	
<b>Jacob's Ladder</b> ( <i>Polemonium reptans</i> )	Savanna/woodland wet mesic to dry mesic	1 - 2	blue April-June	Blue, bell-shaped flower clusters and attractive foliage.	
<b>Showy Black-eyed Susan</b> ( <i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> )	Prairie wet mesic to dry mesic	2 - 4	yellow June-Sept	Daisy-like flowers with yellowish-orange rays surrounding a brown center. Attracts butterflies.	
<b>Wild Petunia</b> ( <i>Ruellia humilis</i> )	Prairie dry mesic to dry	0.5 – 2	violet June - Aug	Classic petunia flower in a lovely lavender color. Well suited for rock gardens and drier areas.	
<b>Royal Catchfly</b> ( <i>Silene regia</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 - 3½	red July - Aug	Striking bright-red flowers attract hummingbirds. Likes well drained but rich soil.	
<b>Rosin Weed</b> ( <i>Silphium integrifolium</i> )	Prairie wet mesic to dry mesic	2 - 6	yellow July - Sept	Yellow, daisy-like flowers atop 3-5 foot tall plants.	
<b>Compass plant</b> ( <i>Silphium laciniatum</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet mesic to dry	6 - 9	Yellow June-Sept	Daisy-like flowers atop 6-9 foot stalks. Leaves are large, deeply divided, and often align in a north-south direction	
<b>Showy Goldenrod</b> ( <i>Solidago speciosa</i> )	Prairie/savanna dry to mesic	2 - 5	yellow Aug - Oct	Has very showy golden yellow flower plumes and is easy to grow. May be somewhat aggressive.	
<b>Spiderwort</b> ( <i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i> )	sun to ½ sun dry to wet mesic	2 - 4	blue May-July	Plants with smooth bluish green stems and leaves. Flowers are in tight clusters atop stems.	
<b>Common Ironweed</b> ( <i>Vernonia fasciculata</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet mesic to mesic	4 - 6	violet June-Sept	Brilliant purple flower clusters atop tall stems. Prefers moist soils.	
<b>Culver's Root</b> ( <i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i> )	sun to ½ sun dry mesic to wet mesic	3 – 5	white June - Aug	Graceful, branching flower spikes that resemble candelabra.	

## NATIVE GRASSES

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<b>Big Bluestem</b> ( <i>Andropogon gerardii</i> )	Prairie/savanna wet mesic to dry	3 - 7	Aug - Sept	Once the dominant grass species of the tallgrass prairie. May become aggressive once established.	
<b>Side-oats Grama</b> ( <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> )	Prairie mesic to dry	2 – 3	July - Oct	This grass has tiny purple/orange flowers and delicate seeds that dangle from one side of the stalk.	
<b>Junegrass</b> ( <i>Koeleria macrantha</i> )	Prairie dry mesic to dry	1 - 2	May-June	Small sized, cool season, clump-forming grass with erect seed heads.	
<b>Little Bluestem</b> ( <i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	2 – 3	Aug - Sept	A medium-height grass that prefers slightly drier areas. Stems turn a lovely orange-pink in the fall.	
<b>Indian Grass</b> ( <i>Sorghastrum nutans</i> )	Prairie/savanna mesic to dry	3 - 7	Aug - Sept	Tall, clump forming grass with distinct, golden seed head.	
<b>Prairie Dropseed</b> ( <i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i> )	Prairie mesic to dry	2 – 3	Aug.- Sept	Mounds of soft leaves with gossamer-like seed-heads. This classic prairie grass likes well-drained soil.	
<b>Quantity Total:</b>					
<b>Total Amount (Quantity x \$2.75):</b>					<b>\$</b>

Light tolerance: Prairie=full sun, Savanna=Part sun, Woodland=Shade  
Moisture tolerance from wettest to driest: Wet > wet mesic > mesic > dry mesic > dry

## ORDER INFORMATION

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

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