

## A Grow Native! Top 10 List

FEATURED CATEGORY:

# Plants That Attract Abundant Wildlife

The native plants on this list were selected by Scott Woodbury, Curator of the Whitmire Wildflower Garden at Shaw Nature Reserve, based on his observations and many years of experience, and represent a variety of plant types that support insects and other wildlife—herbaceous, woody, wildflowers, and even a sedge.

	NATIVE PLANT NAME	HEIGHT	WILDLIFE ATTRACTED
1	American spikenard ( <i>Aralia racemosa</i> )	3–5'	Bees, moths, flies, spiders, wasps, bugs, birds
2	Aromatic aster ( <i>Symphyotrichum (Aster) oblongifolium</i> )	2–4'	Fall butterflies, bees, wasps, winter birds
3	Bradbury beebalm ( <i>Monarda bradburiana</i> )	18–24"	Butterflies, bees, birds
4	Eastern Blazingstar ( <i>Liatris scariosa</i> )	3–5'	Butterflies, bees, winter birds
5	Marsh milkweed ( <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> )	3–5'	Monarchs and other butterflies, bees, bugs, birds
6	Mexican plum ( <i>Prunus mexicana</i> )	10–15'	Moths, butterflies, bees, flies, wasps, birds, mammals
7	Palm sedge ( <i>Carex muskingumensis</i> )	18–24"	Moths, butterflies, birds
8	Prairie pussytoes ( <i>Antennaria neglecta</i> )	1–3"	Copious spring flies, bees, wasps
9	Swamp white oak ( <i>Quercus bicolor</i> )	40–50'	Moths, butterflies, birds
10	Zigzag Goldenrod ( <i>Solidago flexicaulis</i> )	12–18"	Fall butterflies, bees, flies, wasps, winter birds