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A Grow Native! Top 10 List

FEATURED CATEGORY:

TOP 10 NATIVE PLANTS TO ATTRACT BEES

Heavy Nectar Production • Attractive to bees • Tried and true

NATIVE PLANT NAME HEIGHT SUN/SHADE UNIQUE QUALITY

1	American linden <i>Tilia americana</i>	50+ ft.	Pt. shade	Shade tree. Honeybee magnet.
2	Aromatic aster <i>Symphotrichum oblongifolium</i>	2-3 in.	Full-pt. shade	Fall-blooming perennial. Drought tolerant.
3	Blue wild indigo <i>Baptisia australis</i>	2-3 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Long-lived perennial. Bumblebee magnet.
4	Blue sage <i>Salvia azurea</i>	3-5 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Summer-blooming perennial. Light blue.
5	Butterfly milkweed <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	2 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Dry-loving perennial. Pollinator magnet.
6	Ladies eardrops <i>Brunnichia cirrosa</i>	30-40 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Woody vine. Honeybees. Grows quickly.
7	Prairie pussytoes <i>Antennaria neglecta</i>	2-3 in.	Full-pt. shade	Low spreading groundcover. Leaves 1" high.
8	Slender mountain mint <i>Pycnanthemum tenuifolium</i>	14-20 in.	Pt. shade	Clump-forming perennial. Long-lived.
9	Wild bergamot <i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	4-6 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Summer-blooming perennial.
10	Wild hydrangea <i>Hydrangea arborescens</i>	4-6 ft.	Sun/pt. shade	Mounded shrub. Shade to part shade.

Note: This list was created by Scott Woodbury, based on his many years of experience and observations as the Curator of the Whitmire Wildflower Garden at Shaw Nature Reserve. The plants on this list are not in ranked order.

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