

PLANTING FOR POLLINATORS

Native Trees, Shrubs and Vines by the Season



Common Name	Latin Name	Type	Season	Bees	Butterflies	Larval Food	Humming birds	Fruit for Birds	Comments
Eastern Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Small tree	Early Spring	X					
Vernal witchazel	<i>Hamamelis vernalis</i>	Shrub	Early Spring	X					
Willow species	<i>Salix species (amyglaloides, bebbiana, discolor, lucida, nigra, sericea)</i>	Large tree, large shrub	Early Spring	X				X	Host for mourning cloak, viceroy
Red Maple	<i>Acer Rubrum</i>	tree	Spring	X					
Serviceberries	<i>Amelanchiar species (arborea, canadensis, xgrandflora, laevis)</i>	shrub, small tree	Spring	X				X	
Crossvine	<i>Bignonia capreolata</i>	Vine	Spring	X			X		Cultivars: 'Tangerine Beauty', 'Atrosanguinea', 'Jekyll', 'Shalimar Red',
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	large shade tree	Spring	X		X			Host for several butterflies & moths including mourning cloaks.
Black chokecherry	<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>	Shrub	Spring	X				X	
Red chokecherry	<i>Arnonia arbutifolia</i>	Shrub	Spring	X				X	
Pagoda Dogwood	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Small tree	Spring	X				X	Host for Spring Azure butterfly
Silky dogwood	<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Shrub	Spring	X				X	
Gray dogwood	<i>Cornus Racemosa</i>	Shrub	Spring	X	X			X	
Red osier dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Shrub	Spring	X	X			X	Host for Spring Azure butterfly
Winterberry	<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Shrub	Spring	X	X			X	
Spicebush	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Shrub	Spring	X	X	X			Host for Eastern tiger swallowtail, spicebush swallowtail
Coral Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sepervirens</i>	Vine	Spring	X	X		X	X	Cultivar: Major Wheeler (red flowers), var. sulphurea (yellow flowers)
Fragrant sumac	<i>Rhus aromatica</i>	Shrub	Spring	X	X			X	
Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	Shrub	Early Summer	X					
Southern Arrowwood	<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Shrub	Early Summer	X	X	X		X	Host for Spring Azure
American Cranberry Bush	<i>Viburnum opulus var. americanum</i>	Shrub	Early Summer	X	X	X		X	Host for Spring Azure
Blackhaw	<i>Viburnum prunifolium</i>	Shrub	Early Summer	X				X	
Lead plant	<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Small shrub	Summer	X	X				
Bottlebrush Buckeye	<i>Aesculus parviflora</i>	Shrub	Summer		X		X		
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentilis</i>	Shrub	Summer	X	X				
New Jersey Tea	<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	Small shrub	Summer	X	X	X			Host for Spring Azure, Summer Azure butterflies
Virginina Sweetsprire	<i>Itea virginica</i>	Small shrub	Summer	X	X		X		
White Meadowsweet	<i>Spiraea alba</i>	Small shrub	Summer	X	X	X			Host for Spring Azure
Wolfberry	<i>Symphoricarpus occidentalis</i>	Small Shrub	Summer	X	X		X	X	