Vermont Bird and Pollinator-Friendly Perennial Species List for Creating Seed Mixes

Vermont's Pollinator-Friendly Solar Resources

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		Bloom	Spring	Early Summer	Late Summer	Fall	
Botanical Name	Common Name	Months	Bloom	Bloom	Bloom	Bloom	Height
Actaea pachypoda	White baneberry	May-June		Х			18-36"
Aquilegia canadensis	Red columbine	May-July	Х	Х			12-36"
Asarum canadense	Wild ginger	May-June	Х				2-8"
Asclepias incarnata	Swamp milkweed	June-July		Х			12-54"
Asclepias syriaca	Common Milkweed	June-Aug		Х			Up to 6.5 Ft
Symphyotrichum cordifolium (Aster cordifolius)	Heartleaf Aster				Х	х	Up to 3.2 Ft
Eurybia divaricata (Aster divaricatus)	White wood Aster	Aug-Oct			х	Х	Up to 3.2 Ft
Baptisia australis (Not native to New England)	Blue False Indigo			х			Up to 4 ft
Caltha palustris	Marsh marigold	May-June	х	х			10-22"
Chamaecrista fasciculata (Not native to Northern New England)	Partridge Pea				Х		Up to 3.5 ft
Chelone glabra	White turtlehead	July-Sept			Х		28-36"
Echinacea purpurea (Not native to New England)	Purple Coneflower			Х	Х		Up to 4 ft
Eupatorium perfoliatum	Boneset				Х		
Eurybia macrophylla (Aster macrophyllus)	Bigleaf aster	Aug-Oct			Х	Х	12-42"
Euthamia graminifolia	Flat-topped Goldenrod (C)				х	Х	Up to 3.5 ft
Gentiana clausa	Bottle gentian	Aug-Sep			х		18-24"
Geum rivale	Water avens	June-July		х			14-24"
Helianthus maximilianii (Not native to New England)	Maximilian's Sunflower				Х	х	Up to 8 ft
Lilium canadense	Canada lily	June-Aug		Х	Х		3-5"
Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal flower	Aug-Oct			х		24-60"
Maianthemum racemosum	Feathery false lily of the valley	May-June	Х	Х			16-32"
(Smilacina racemosa)							
Monarda fistulosa	Wild bergamont	July-Sep			Х		24-46"
Packera aurea	Golden ragwort	May-June	Х	Х			10-22"

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Schizachyrium scoparium	Little Bluestem				Х	Х	
Solidago caesia	Blue-Stemed Goldenrod, Wreath Goldenrod				х	Х	
Solidago canadensis	Canada Goldenrod	July-Oct			х	Х	Up to 6.5 ft
Solidago flexicaulis	Zig-Zag Goldenrod				Х	Х	Up to 3.5 ft
Solidago nemorali	Gray Goldenrod				х	Х	Up to 3.5 ft
Symplocarpus foetidus	Skunk cabbage	Apr-May	х				24-36"
Tiarella cordifolia	Foamflower	May-June	х				4-14"
Trientalis borealis	Starflower	May-June	х				4-8"
Trillium grandiflorum	White trillium	May-June	х				8-16"
Uvularia grandiflora	large bellwort	May-June	х				8-20"
Verbena hastata	Blue vervain	July-Sep			х		Up to 4.9 ft
Vernonia noveboracensis	New York Ironweed				х		Up to 4 ft
(Not native to Northern New England)							
Viola adunca	Hookedspur violet	May-July	Х	Х			3-6"
Zizia aurea	Golden zizia	May-July	Х	Х			14-38"

Not Native - The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources recommends that pollinator-friendly plantings in Vermont avoid species that are not native to Vermont.

Pollinator-friendly plantings include Vermont native and naturalized wildflowers, forbs, grasses, shrubs and trees that serve as habitat, forage, and migratory way stations for pollinators. Such plantings shall not include invasive species listed on the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food, and Markets' Noxious Weed List, the Vermont Invasive Exotic Plant Committee Watch List, or species deemed invasive in neighboring states. This list was created in collaboration with the University of Vermont Gund Institute, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, and Vermont Audubon, through their in-house expertise. In addition, we referenced the NAPPC's Selecting Plants for Pollinators: Adirondack and New England Regional Guide and the XERCES Northeastern Pollinator Mix species mix; some species on these lists are not recommended for use in Vermont . Refer to Vermont's Pollinator-Friendly Solar Resources at www.uvm.edu/extension/agriculture/pollinator-friendly-solar