# Native plant alternatives: pollinator & bird friendly

Great replacements for Hosta's and Daylilies!

### Note: When purchasing natives, search by scientific name

(listed in italics). Many non-native cultivars have similar common names, but they likely will not have the same wildlife benefits. Avoid "named" varieties, e.g. "Merry Bells," Midnight Star,"



"Pretty in Pink," as these tend to be non-native. When purchasing, try to determine from source if plugs have been treated with detrimental chemicals, such as noenicitinoids, which can persist in the plant and soil.

#### \*NT= Neat 'n Tidy \*DR = Deer Resistant

Suggestion: In a border choose groups of 3 or more (at least 5 total species if possible). Repeat grouping to vary appearance and improve wildlife value. Be sure to include asters, goldenrods, and milkweed (other than common) in your groups. Be sure to include a variety of spring, summer, & fall blooms to best support pollinators. Grasses and sedges can lend support, interest, cover and seeds.

## Shade/ Partial shade:

Coral Bells, Heuchera richardsonii, 10-16in \*NT \*DR Lady Fern, Athyrium filix-femina, 2ft \*NT Black Cohosh, Cimicifuga racemose, up to 4ft \*NT \*DR Early Meadowrue, Thalictrum dioicum, 12-15in\*DR \*NT Canada Anemone, Anemone canadensis, 1-2ft \*NT Solomon's Seal, Polygonatum biflorum, 12-48in Elmleaf Goldenrod, Solidago ulmifolia, 1-3ft \*DR Cranesbill, Geranium maculataa, up to 30in \*DR \*NT Fringed Bleeding Heart, Dicentra eximia, 1-2ft \*NT

Blue Cohosh, Caulophyllum thalictroides, 1-3ft \*NT \*DR Red Baneberry, Actaea rubra, 1-2ft \*NT \*DR Skullcap, Scutellaria, 1-3ft Blue-stemmed goldenrod, Solidago caesia, up to 3ft \*DR Zigzag Goldenrod, Solidago flexicaulis, 1-3ft \*DR \*NT **Columbine,** Aquilegia canadensis, 1-2ft \*DR White Wood Aster, Eurybia divaricate, up to 3ft \*NT Bellwort, Uvularia grandiflora, 18-24in \*NT Culver's Root, Veronicastrum virginicum, up to 6ft \*NT \*DR

In front for edging/replacing mulch: Ivory/Golden Star (Fox), Pennsylvania Sedges, Sedum ternatum, Packera obovata, Woodland phlox, Barren Strawberry, Wild Strawberry, Wild ginger, Blue crested iris

### Sun/ Half sun (may prefer more than half): Most are 4 feet or less

Butterfly Weed, Asclepias tuberosa, \*NT \*DR Rose Milkweed, Asclepias incarnata,\*NT \*DR Orange coneflower, Rudbeckia fulgida Goatsbeard, Aruncus Dioicus, \*NT \*DR Blazing Star-Dotted/Button/Rough, Liatris, \*NT **Anise Hyssop,** Agastache foenicuum, \*NT \*DR **Showy Coneflower,** Rudbeckia sullivantii, \*NT **Purple coneflower,** Echinacea purpurea \*DR Pale purple coneflower, Echinacea pallida \*DR **Ohio goldenrod**, Oligoneuron ohioense \*NT \*DR Wild Blue Indigo dwarf, Baptisia australis minor, \*NT Great blue lobelia, Lobelia siphilitica \*DR Bluestar Amsonia, Amsonia illustris, \*NT \*DR **Cream Wild Indigo,** *Baptisia bracteate,* \*NT \*DR Bee balm, Monarda fistulosa, \*DR

Prairie sundrops, Oenothera pilosella Narrow Leaved primrose, Oenothera Fruticosa Gray headed coneflower, Ratibida pinnata Yellow coneflower, Ratibida paradox \*DR Mountain mint, Pycnanthemum virginianum \*NT \*DR Narrow-leaved mint, Pycnanthemum tenuifolium \*NT \*DR Downy Wood mint, Blephilia ciliata (good for filler) \*DR Asters-Stiff/Sky Blue/Silky/Heath/Crooked Stem/Arrow leaved/Aromatic/Late purple, Symphyotrichum **Narrow-Leaf coneflower**, Echinacea angustifolia \*DR Prairie Dropseed, Sporobolus heterolepis, (grass) \*DR \*NT Sideoats Grama, Bouteloua curtipendula, (grass), \*NT \*DR \*NT Cardinal flower, Lobelia cardinalis, (seeds readily) \*NT \*DR Large flowered Tickseed, Coreopsis grandiflora (shear back mid-late July)