

RAIN GARDENS - Native Plant List

	Botanical Name	Planting Zone	Height	Bloom Time	Bloom Color
WILDFLOWERS					
Sweet Flag	<i>Acorus calamus</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	May-Jul	Green
Anise Hyssop	<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	Middle to high	3'	Jun-Sep	Purple
Yellow Giant Hyssop	<i>Agastache nepetoides</i>	Ponding to high	6'	Jul-Oct	Cream
Purple Giant Hyssop	<i>Agastache scrophulariaefolia</i>	Ponding to high	6'	Jul-Oct	Purple
Angelica	<i>Angelica atropurpurea</i>	Ponding to middle	7'	May-Jun	Green
Prairie Pussytoes	<i>Antennaria neglecta</i>	Berm	4"	Apr-Jun	White
Pussytoes	<i>Antennaria plantaginifolia</i>	Berm	1'	Apr-Jun	White
Wild columbine	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Middle to berm	8-24"	May-Jun	Red & yellow
Hairy Rock Cress	<i>Arabis hirsuta</i>	High	2'	May-Jun	White
Swamp milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Ponding to middle	2-4'	Jul-Sep	Pink-red
Butterfly milkweed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	High	1.5-3'	Jul-Aug	Orange
Stiff Aster	<i>Aster linariifolius</i>	High to berm	1'	Aug-Oct	Purple
Big-leaved Aster	<i>Aster macrophyllus</i>	Middle to berm	1'	Aug-Oct	White
Panicled Aster	<i>Aster simplex</i>	Ponding to middle	5'	Sep-Oct	White
White false Indigo	<i>Baptisia lactea</i>	Ponding to middle	3-5'	Early sum	White
Small Yellow Wild Indigo	<i>Baptisia tinctoria</i>	Ponding to high	2'	Jun-Aug	Yellow
False Aster	<i>Boltonia asteroides</i>	Ponding to middle	2-4'	Late sum	white/pink
Purple Poppy Mallow	<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i>	High to berm	6"	Jun-Aug	Purple
Marsh Marigold	<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Ponding	2'	Apr-Jun	Yellow
Wild Hyacinth	<i>Camassia scilloides</i>	Ponding to high	2'	May-Jun	White
Harebell	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	High to berm	1'	Jun-Sep	Purple
Partridge Pea	<i>Cassia fasciculata</i>	Middle to berm	2'	Jul-Sep	Yellow
Blue Cohosh	<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Apr-May	Green
Turtlehead	<i>Chelone glabra</i>	Ponding	5'	Jul-Sep	Cream
Wild Blue Larkspur	<i>Delphinium carolinianum</i>	Middle to high	4'	May-Jun	Blue
Tall Larkspur	<i>Delphinium exaltatum</i>	Middle to high	4'	Jul-Aug	Purple
Amethyst Shooting Star	<i>Dodecatheon amethystinum</i>	Ponding to high	1'	Apr-May	Purple
Midland Shooting Star	<i>Dodecatheon meadia</i>	Ponding to high	1'	Apr-Jun	Pink
Narrow-leaved Coneflower	<i>Echinacea angustifolia</i>	High	2'	Jun-Jul	Pink
Reflexed Coneflower	<i>Echinacea atrorubens</i>	Middle to high	3'	May-Jun	Purple
Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Ponding to high	4'	Jul-Sep	Purple
Tennessee Coneflower	<i>Echinacea tennesseensis</i>	High	2'	Jul-Sep	Purple

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Robin's Plantain	<i>Erigeron pulchellus</i>	High to berm	1'	May-Jun	White
Rattlesnake Master	<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Ponding to high	4'	Jul-Sep	White
Mistflower	<i>Eupatorium coelestinum</i>	Middle	3'	Aug-Sep	Blue
Joe Pye weed	<i>Eupatorium fistulosum/maculatum</i>	Ponding to middle	To 6'	Summer	Pink-Purple
Boneset	<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Ponding	4'	Jul-Sep	White-Pink
Queen of the Prairie	<i>Filipendula rubra</i>	Ponding	5'	Jun-Aug	Pink
Biennial Gaura	<i>Gaura biennis</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Jul-Oct	Pink
Bottle Gentian	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Aug-Oct	Blue
Wild Geranium	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Middle to high	1'	Apr-Jul	Purple
Prairie Smoke	<i>Geum triflorum</i>	Ponding to berm	8"	Apr-Jun	Red
Sneezeweed	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	Ponding	4'	Aug-Oct	Yellow
Rose Mallow	<i>Hibiscus militaris (laevis)</i>	Ponding	5'	Jul-Sep	Pink
Swamp Rose Mallow	<i>Hibiscus palustris</i>	Ponding	5'	Jul-Sep	White
Yellow Star Grass	<i>Hypoxis hirsuta</i>	Ponding to high	6"	May-Jun	Yellow
Dwarf Crested Iris	<i>Iris cristata</i>	Ponding to high	8"	May	Purple
Northern Blue Flag	<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Ponding to middle	3'	May-Jul	Blue
Northern Blazing Star	<i>Liatris scariosa</i>	Middle to berm	2'	Aug-Sep	Purple
Marsh Blazing Star	<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Middle to high	5'	Sum to frost	Purple
Prairie Lily	<i>Lilium philadelphicum</i>	Ponding to high	1'	Jun-Jul	Orange
Turk's Cap Lily	<i>Lilium superbum</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Jul-Aug	Orange
Cardinal flower	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Ponding	4'	Jul-Sep	Scarlet
Indian Tobacco	<i>Lobelia inflata</i>	Ponding to high	2'	Jul-Oct	Blue
Great blue lobelia	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Middle to high	3-4'	Aug-Sep	Blue
Wild Lupine	<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	High to berm	2'	May-Jul	Purple
Fringed Loosestrife	<i>Lysimachia ciliata</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Jun-Aug	Yellow
Swamp Candles	<i>Lysimachia terrestris</i>	Ponding	3'	Jun-Aug	Yellow
Bunch Flower	<i>Melanthium virginicum</i>	Ponding to middle	5'	Jun-Aug	White
Virginia bluebell	<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Apr-May	Blue
Monkey Flower	<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	Ponding	2'	Jun-Sep	Purple
Wild Bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Ponding to high	4'	Jul-Sep	Purple
Spotted Bee Balm	<i>Monarda punctata</i>	High to berm	2'	Jul-Sep	Purple
Wild Quinine	<i>Parthenium integrifolium</i>	Ponding to middle	3-5'	Jun-Sep	White
Wood Betony	<i>Pedicularis canadensis</i>	Ponding to berm	1'	Apr-May	Yellow

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Foxglove Beardtongue	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Ponding to middle	2-3'	Jun-Jul	White
Wild Blue Phlox	<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Ponding to berm	1'	Apr-Jun	Blue
Marsh Phlox	<i>Phlox glaberrima interior</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Jun-Sep	Pink
Wild Sweet William	<i>Phlox maculata</i>	Ponding to middle	3'	Jun-Aug	Pink
Garden Phlox	<i>Phlox paniculata</i>	Ponding to middle	4'	Jul-Sep	Pink
Narrow-leaved Obedient Plant	<i>Physostegia angustifolia</i>	Ponding to middle	5'	Jun-Jul	Pink
Obedient Plant	<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	Ponding to middle	4'	Aug-Sep	Pink
Jacob's Ladder	<i>Polemonium reptans</i>	Ponding to high	1'	Apr-Jun	Blue
Solomon's Seal	<i>Polygonatum canaliculatum</i>	Middle to high	4'	May-Jun	Green
Swamp Buttercup	<i>Ranunculus hispidus</i>	Ponding to middle	1'	Apr-Jul	Yellow
Long-headed Coneflower	<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	Middle to high	3'	Jun-Aug	Yellow
Yellow Coneflower	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Ponding to middle	3-6'	Summer	Yellow
Black-eyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Middle to berm	2'	Jul-Sep	Yellow
Thin-leaved Coneflower	<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Middle to high	3'	Aug-Sep	Yellow
Wild Petunia	<i>Ruellia humilis</i>	Middle to berm	1'	Jun-Aug	Purple
Blue Sage	<i>Salvia azurea</i>	Middle to high	3'	Aug-Sep	Blue
American Burnet	<i>Sanguisorba canadensis</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Aug-Oct	White
Swamp Saxifrage	<i>Saxifraga pensylvanica</i>	Ponding	3'	May-Jun	Green
Hyssop Skullcap	<i>Scutellaria integrifolia</i>	High	3'	Jun	Blue
Mad-dog Skullcap	<i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i>	Ponding	2'	Jul-Sep	Blue
Heart-leaved Skullcap	<i>Scutellaria ovata versicolor</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Jun-Jul	Blue
Royal Catchfly	<i>Silene regia</i>	Middle to high	4'	Jul-Aug	Red
Starry Campion	<i>Silene stellata</i>	Ponding to high	3'	Jul-Oct	White
Common Blue-eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium albidum</i>	Middle to berm	6"	May-Jun	Blue
White Blue-eyed Grass	<i>Sisyrinchium campestre alba</i>	High to berm	6"	May-Jun	White
Solomon's Plume	<i>Smilacina racemosa</i>	Ponding to berm	2'	Apr-Jun	White
Stiff Goldenrod	<i>Solidago rigida</i>	Ponding to high	4'	Aug-Oct	Yellow
Trailing Wild Bean	<i>Strophostyles helvula</i>	Ponding to high	8'	Jul-Sep	White
New England aster	<i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i>	Ponding to middle	3-4'	Jul-Oct	Lavender
Yellow Pimpernel	<i>Taenidia integerrima</i>	Middle to high	3'	May-Jul	Yellow
Purple Meadow Rue	<i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Jun-Jul	Cream
Early Meadow Rue	<i>Thalictrum dioicum</i>	Ponding to middle	2'	Apr-May	Green
Ohio Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>	Ponding to berm	3'	May-Jul	Blue

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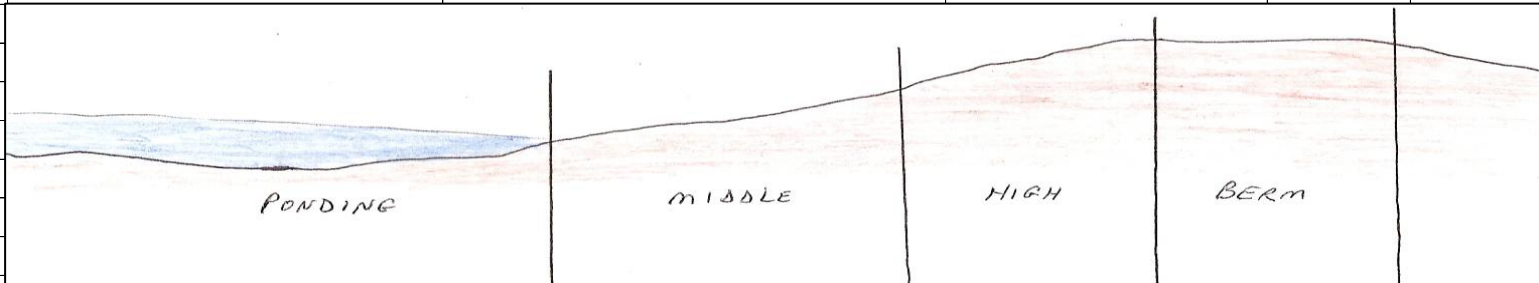
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Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia virginica</i>	Middle	To 3'	Apr-Jul	Purplish blue
Blue Vervain	<i>Verbena hastata</i>	Ponding	5'	Jul-Sep	Blue
Pink Verbain	<i>Verbena hastata rosea</i>	Ponding	5'	Jul-Sep	Pink
Tall Ironweed	<i>Vernonia altissima</i>	Ponding to middle	5'	Aug-Oct	Purple
Common Ironweed	<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Jul-Sep	Purple
New York ironweed	<i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i>	Ponding to middle	6'	Aut-Oct	Purple
Culver's Root	<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	Ponding to high	5'	Jun-Aug	White
Early Blue Violet	<i>Viola palmata</i>	High	6"	Apr-Jun	Purple
Bird's Foot Violet	<i>Viola pedata</i>	High to berm	3"	Apr-Jun	Purple
Golden Alexanders	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Ponding to high	3'	Apr-Jun	Yellow
FERNS	Botanical Name	Planting Zone	Height	Bloom Time	Bloom Color
Maidenhair Fern	<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>	Ponding to middle	2'		
Lady Fern	<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	Ponding to middle	1'		
Ostrich Fern	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i>	Ponding to middle	4'		
Sensitive Fern	<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>	Ponding	1'		
TREES, SHRUBS & VINES	Botanical Name	Planting Zone	Height	Bloom Time	Bloom Color
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Ponding to middle	90'	Apr-May	Red
Shadblow	<i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>	Ponding to high	7'	Apr-May	White
Allegheny Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier laevis</i>	Ponding to berm	25'	Apr-May	White
Lead Plant	<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Middle to high	3'	Jun-Aug	Purple
False Indigo	<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	Ponding to high	12'	Jun-Aug	Purple
Eastern Sweetshrub	<i>Calycanthus floridus</i>	Middle to high	9'	Apr-May	Purple
New Jersey Tea	<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	Middle to berm	3'	Jun-Aug	White
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	Ponding	15'	Jun-Aug	White
Silky Dogwood	<i>Cornus amonum obliqua</i>	Ponding to middle	10'	May-Jul	White
Red Osier Dogwood	<i>Cornus stolonifera</i>	Ponding to middle	10'	Jun-Sep	White
Big-fruit Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus macrosperma</i>	Middle to berm	15'	May-Jun	White

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Kalm St. John's Wort	<i>Hypericum kalmianum</i>	Ponding to middle	3'	Jun-Aug	Yellow
Shrubby St. John's Wort	<i>Hypericum prolificum</i>	Ponding to high	5'	Jul-Sep	Yellow
Prairie Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	Ponding to high	8'	Jul	White
Swamp White Oak	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	Ponding to middle	70'	May	
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Ponding to berm	100'	Apr-Jun	
Chinquapin Oak	<i>Quercus muhlenbergii</i>	Ponding to berm	70'	May-Jun	
Prairie Wild Rose	<i>Rosa arkansana</i>	Ponding to berm	2'	Jun-Aug	Pink
Pasture Rose	<i>Rosa carolina</i>	Ponding to berm	2'	Jun-Aug	Pink
Swamp Rose	<i>Rosa palustris</i>	Ponding	5'	Jun-Aug	Pink
Peach-leaved Willow	<i>Salix amygdaloides</i>	Ponding to middle	60'	May	
Heart-leaved Willow	<i>Salix cordata</i>	Ponding to middle	12'	Apr-May	
Silky Willow	<i>Salix sericea</i>	Ponding	7'	May	
Autumn Willow	<i>Salix serissima</i>	Ponding	4'	May	
Elderberry	<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Ponding to high	10'	Jun-Aug	White
Steeplebush	<i>Spiraea tomentosa</i>	Ponding	4'	Jul-Sep	Pink
Coralberry	<i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i>	Ponding to high	4'	May-Jun	Pink
Northern White Cedar	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	Ponding to middle	60'		
Witherod	<i>Viburnum cassinoides</i>	Ponding to middle	10'	Jun-Aug	White
Arrowwood Viburnum	<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Ponding to high	16'	Jun-Aug	White
Nannyberry	<i>Viburnum lentago</i>	Ponding to middle	20'	May-Jun	White
Blackhaw	<i>Viburnum prunifolium</i>	Ponding to high	16'	May-Jun	Cream
American Cranberry Bush	<i>Viburnum trilobum</i>	Ponding to middle	12'	May-Jun	White
GRASSES, SEDGES & RUSHES	Botanical Name	Planting Zone	Height	Bloom Time	Bloom Color
Little Bluestem	<i>Andropogon scoparius</i>	Middle to berm	3'		
Side-oats Grama	<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Middle to berm	2'		
Fringed Brome	<i>Bromus ciliatus</i>	Ponding	4'		
Prairie Brome	<i>Bromus kalmii</i>	Ponding to high	3'		
Fringed Sedge	<i>Carex crinita</i>	Ponding	3'		
Bog Panicked Sedge	<i>Carex diandra</i>	Ponding	3'		
Bristly Cattail Sedge	<i>Carex frankii</i>	Ponding	2'		

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Common Bur Sedge	Carex grayi	Ponding to middle	3'		
Common Hop Sedge	Carex lupulina	Ponding	3'		
False Bristly Sedge	Carex pseudocyperus	Ponding	2'		
Narrow-leaved Cattail Sedge	Carex squarrosa	Ponding	3'		
Common Fox Sedge	Carex stipata	Ponding to middle	3'		
Common Tussock Sedge	Carex stricta	Ponding	3'		
Common Cattail Sedge	Carex typhina	Ponding	1'		
Brown Fox Sedge	Carex vulpinoidea	Ponding	3'		
Spike Rush	Eleocharis acicularis	Ponding	8"		
Common Rush	Juncus effusus	Ponding to middle	2'		
Path Rush	Juncus tenuis	Middle to berm	1'		
Indian Grass	Sorghastrum nutans	Middle to berm	6'		



Planting Zones:

- **Ponding** – Lowest area where the runoff first enters the rain garden; therefore, the plants that grow here must tolerate standing water and fluctuating water levels.
- **Middle** – Slightly drier, and the plants can tolerate fluctuating water levels.
- **High** – Includes a portion of the berm and often is the driest of the three zones.
- **Berm** – A strip of turf or groundcover at the top edge of the rain garden, and usually is dry.

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