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MORE THAN
120 SPECIES
OF NATIVE
PLANTS

10,000+
INDIVIDUAL
PLANTS
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Spring 2026

Native Plant Sale

WILDFLOWERS • SEDGES • GRASSES • FERNS

Order Online

Monday, March 23 —
Friday, April 24

*Plant quantities are limited —
shop early for the best selection!*

Scan the QR code or visit
shop.rrvcwildones.org



Pick Up In-Person

**Wild Ones Members-Only
Pre-Order Early Pickup**
Thursday, May 7 from 1-6:30 pm

**General Pre-Order Pickup
and Public Sale**
Friday, May 8 from 1-6:30 pm
Saturday, May 9 from 9 am-2 pm

*Additional plants will be available
for in-person shopping*

Please bring your own boxes/
wagons for easier transport of
your purchases.

Pickup Location **NEW!**

Boone County Fairgrounds
(Beef Barn)
8791 IL Rt 76
Belvidere, IL

Volunteers Needed!

Please see the last page of this
brochure for more information
and how to sign up!

CONNECT WITH WILD ONES ROCK RIVER VALLEY

EMAIL: WILDONESRRVC@GMAIL.COM

ONLINE: WWW.RRVCWILDONES.ORG (NEW URL!)

Pre-Order Plants Online

To help expedite the handling of pre-orders, **all plant sale orders must be placed online** (we do not accept mail-in order forms). The online site, shop.rrvwildones.org, has been designed for easy use and includes detailed descriptions about each plant species such as light and soil conditions, plant height, approximate bloom time, and bloom color. Detailed, colorful images have been included to help you select your plants. Most of the species offered for pre-sale are sold as half-pint pots or plugs. Please refer to the website to confirm size before ordering.

Subject to availability, we will have select extra plants available at the onsite sale only. These extra plants are listed on pages 9-10 and cannot be pre-ordered.

Payment must be made at the time of the order. After you place your order, you will receive an automatic confirmation email. Please place your order early as popular plant species sell out quickly.

Contact one of the plant sale coordinators if you have any questions.

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Placing Your Order, Potential Crop Failure, and Plant Availability

Plants were selected at the end of 2025 based on supplier inventory and projected expectations for the new year. Weather and other growing conditions can affect the availability of plants. Therefore, plant supply is not guaranteed and actual plant availability (even after orders have been placed) will be based on what our suppliers are able to deliver the week of the sale.

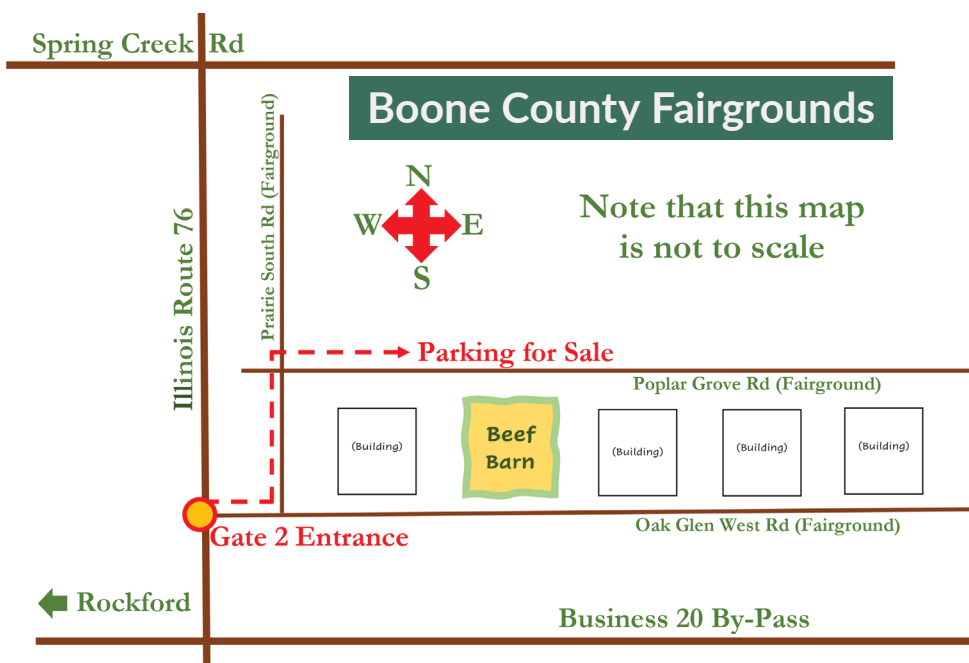
Choice of plant substitution or a cash refund will be available only in the event of shortages. Native plant species listed as “Extras” in this brochure (pages 9-10) will also be available for substitution and sale at the pickup location.

IMPORTANT: Order early as plant supplies are limited. Online orders will be processed at the time the order is electronically confirmed. Therefore, for the best opportunity to receive your desired plants, we recommend that you place your online order early!

If you have been approved for an RRVC Mini Grant and wish to order plants, please contact Kim Lowman Volmer at kimlowvol@aol.com. Mini Grant applications can be found on [the RRVC website](#).

2026 Plant Sale Location

We're excited that our Spring Native Plant Sale has a new location—the Beef Barn at the Boone County Fairgrounds. This expanded venue allows the chapter to offer its largest sale yet, with more space, easier access, and an improved shopping experience! The Boone County Fairgrounds are located at **8791 IL Rt 76, Belvidere, IL**.





Why Plant Native Plant Species?

Native plant species grow naturally in a particular region, ecosystem, and/or habitat. The plants offered in this brochure are indigenous to Winnebago and surrounding counties. They evolved for thousands of years to survive in our weather extremes and local soils, in harmony with other native flora and fauna. Once established, native species require only occasional maintenance—no fertilizers, no pesticides or herbicides, and minimal watering (after they have become established).

The native birds, butterflies, bees, and mammals that evolved with native plants depend on them for food and shelter. Native plants also serve as host plants for new generations of beneficial butterflies and insects. Non-native plants usually do not meet these needs. Even cultivars of native plants, which are bred to please humans, often lose their ability to sustain wildlife; the resulting decrease in genetic diversity impairs their ability to adapt for future survival.

The plants in this sale are ideal for those new to landscaping with native plants as well as experienced native plant gardeners. Most of the species offered here are easy to grow and will provide years of beauty while helping the environment. We recommend incorporating natives into your existing flower beds—mixed right in with other perennials. Or, create new beds of native plant species for a greater environmental impact.

Native Plant Resources

Illinois Native Plant Society

Native plant resources including other native plant sales in Illinois.

illinoisplants.org

Illinois Wildflowers

Descriptions, photographs, and range maps.

illinoiswildflowers.info

Prairie Moon Nursery

Excellent source for information on cultivation and plant descriptions.

prairiemoon.com

USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Services

Plant list of attributes, names, taxonomy, symbols, and distributional data.

plants.usda.gov

Wild Ones

Native garden design ideas and plans for nearby areas.

nativegardendesigns.wildones.org

Join Our Community!

If you share our passion for native plants and sustainable landscaping, we invite you to join Wild Ones and be part of a community committed to making a difference. Together, we can create a movement of native planters growing healthier landscapes. Visit members.wildones.org/join to become a member!

Creating Your Own Native Garden

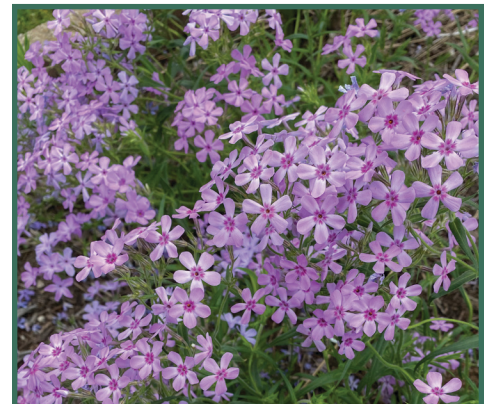
- 1 Study your site**
taking note of sun, shade, soil type, drainage and soil moisture.
- 2 Map out your space.**
Mark all existing plants currently on your site.
- 3 Study your neighborhood**
and consider what design elements would look great in your community.
- 4 Research designs you love.**
Get inspiration from other garden designs specific to your region.
- 5 Design with the right plant**
in the right place.
- 6 Leave enough room for plants**
to reach their mature size.
- 7 Create a focal point**
to draw your eye through your garden.
- 8 Add water features**
like birdbaths or small fountains for interest that help attract wildlife to your landscape.
- 9 Group plants together**
for visual impact. Plant in groups of odd numbers with a minimum of three of each species. In each area, plant 3-5 species in broad drifts that repeat throughout the planting area.
- 10 Mix textures**
with fine, bolder foliage and tall fine-textured grasses as a frame behind lower rounded species.
- 11 Keep plants in scale.**
Maximum plant height should be half the width of your bed.
- 12 Consider all seasons.**
Choose plants to ensure that blooms and foliage provide interest year-round.
- 13 Give your planting bed a clean edge**
to serve as a frame that accents your planting.
- 14 Consider your budget.**
Review the time and money you have available for installation and maintenance.



Common Milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*)
Photo by Courtney Celley/USFWS



Sneezeweed (*Helenium autumnale*)
Photo by Jessica Bolser/USFWS



Prairie Phlox (*Phlox pilosa*)
Photo by Ginnie Watson



Bottle Gentian (*Gentiana andrewsii*)
Photo by A. E. Crane

How to Choose Your Plants

In order for native plant species to survive, it is important to match the plant requirements with your site's features. Some species have very specific requirements, while others can adapt to a wider range of environments. Water and light requirements can vary; young plants may need more attention to watering and encroaching plants than those that are mature.

In a naturalistic setting, having a diversity of species will provide a full range of color and bloom times. Even in a smaller setting, careful choices will result in the continuous color and harmony considered desirable in both natural and traditional landscapes. Planting three or more of the same species in one area allows for drifts of color, texture, and interest throughout the seasons and helps to attract more pollinators.

We highly recommend that you choose plants that will best thrive in your soil, moisture, and sunlight conditions.

The information in this brochure lists the best soil conditions and sun exposure for each species. See the "Growing Conditions Guide" below.



New Eng. Aster (*Symphyotrichum novae-angliae*)
Photo by Jessie Crow Mermel



Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)
Photo by Ginnie Watson

Growing Conditions Guide

Use this guide to help you select the plant species that best match the conditions where they will be planted.

Actual plant height and bloom times may vary depending on the light and moisture conditions of your location.

RANGE OF SUN EXPOSURE

Shade (SH)

Varies from light shade to dense shade with little or no direct sun.

Part Shade (PS)

Some direct sun. Less intense early morning or late afternoon sun.

Full Sun (S)

Six hours or more of unfiltered sun.

RANGE OF SOIL MOISTURE

Dry (D)

Excessively drained. Usually sandy or gravelly soil.

Dry Mesic (DM)

Medium dry. Well-drained but retains some moisture.

Mesic (M)

Medium moist. Average garden soil.

Wet Mesic (WM)

Medium moist to soggy most of the year.

Wet (W)

Soggy or marshy most of the year.



Sharp-Lobed Hepatica (*Hepatica nobilis acuta*)
Photo by Ginnie Watson



Rattlesnake Master (*Eryngium yuccifolium*)
Photo by Sallie Krebs



2026 Native Plant Sale Species List – Online Pre-Order

Light: Shade (SH); Part Shade (PS); Full Sun (S)

Moisture: Dry (D); Dry Mesic (DM); Mesic (M); Wet Mesic (WM); Wet (W)

Plants on this list are sold as plugs & ½ pints, with the exception of those with a symbol in their price: # = pint; + = gallon.

Botanical Name	Common Name	Light			Moisture					Height	Bloom	Color	Price
		SH	PS	S	D	DM	M	WM	W				
<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>	Maidenhair Fern	X	X			X	X	X		1-2 ft	N/A	Green	\$12+
<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	Anise Hyssop		X	X		X	X			2-3 ft	Jul-Aug	Violet	\$4
<i>Allium cernuum</i>	Nodding Onion		X	X		X	X	X		18 in	Jul-Aug	White-Pink	\$4
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant			X	X	X	X			1-3 ft	Jun-Aug	Violet	\$4
<i>Anemone canadensis</i>	Canada Anemone		X	X			X	X		12 in	May-Jun	White	\$4
<i>Anemone cylindrica</i>	Thimbleweed		X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	Jun-Jul	White	\$4
<i>Antennaria neglecta</i>	Field Pussytoes		X	X	X	X				4-12 in	Apr-Jun	White	\$4
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Wild Columbine	X	X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	Apr-Jun	Red	\$4
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Jack-in-the-Pulpit	X	X			X	X	X		2 ft	Apr-Jul	Green	\$6
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Red Milkweed		X	X			X	X	X	4 ft	Jun-Jul	Rose	\$4
<i>Asclepias sullivantii</i>	Prairie Milkweed			X			X	X		3 ft	Jun-Aug	Pink	\$4
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Common Milkweed		X	X	X	X	X	X		3-5 ft	Jun-Aug	Pink	\$4
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly Milkweed		X	X	X	X	X			12-30 in	Jun-Aug	Orange	\$4
<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	Whorled Milkweed		X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	Jul-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Baptisia alba</i>	White Wild Indigo		X	X	X	X	X	X		4 ft	Jun-Jul	White	\$4
<i>Baptisia bracteata</i>	Cream Wild Indigo		X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	May-Jun	Cream	\$4
<i>Blephilia ciliata</i>	Downy Wood Mint		X	X	X	X	X			1-2 ft	Jun-Jul	Lavender	\$4
<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Side Oats Grama		X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	Aug-Sep	Red	\$4
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh Marigold		X	X				X	X	6-24 in	Apr-Jun	Yellow	\$4
<i>Camassia scilloides</i>	Wild Hyacinth		X	X		X	X	X		2 ft	May-Jun	Blue	\$4
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebell			X		X	X	X		6-18 in	Jun-Sep	Violet	\$4
<i>Campanulastrum americanum</i>	Tall Bellflower	X	X				X	X		2-6 ft	Jun-Sep	Violet Blue	\$4
<i>Carex grayi</i>	Gray's Sedge	X	X	X			X	X	X	2-3 ft	May-Aug	Green	\$4
<i>Carex muskingumensis</i>	Palm Sedge		X				X	X	X	1-3 ft	May-Jun	Green	\$4
<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>	Pennsylvania Sedge	X	X	X	X	X	X			8 in	Apr-Jun	Cream	\$4
<i>Carex rosea</i>	Curly Wood Sedge	X	X	X		X	X	X		8-18 in	Jun-Jul	Green	\$4
<i>Carex sprengelii</i>	Long-Beaked Sedge		X				X	X		1-2 ft	May-Jul	Green	\$4
<i>Chelone glabra</i>	White Turtlehead		X	X				X	X	2-4 ft	Aug-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Claytonia virginica</i>	Spring Beauty	X	X			X	X	X		3-6 in	Apr-Jun	Pink	\$4
<i>Coreopsis palmata</i>	Prairie Coreopsis		X	X	X	X	X			2 ft	Jun-Aug	Yellow	\$4
<i>Dalea candida</i>	White Prairie Clover		X	X	X	X	X			1-3 ft	Jun-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Dalea purpurea</i>	Purple Prairie Clover		X	X	X	X	X			1-3 ft	Jun-Aug	Purple	\$4

		Light			Moisture								
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<i>Dodecatheon meadia</i>	Shooting Star		X	X		X	X	X		8-20 in	Apr-Jun	WhtPnkPur	\$4
<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	Pale Purple Coneflower		X	X	X	X	X			2-3 ft	Jun-Jul	Pink	\$4
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Coneflower		X	X		X	X	X		4 ft	Jul-Sep	Pink	\$4
<i>Elymus hystrix</i>	Bottlebrush Grass	X	X			X	X	X		3 ft	Jun-Aug	Green	\$4
<i>Eragrostis spectabilis</i>	Purple Love Grass		X	X	X	X				1-2 ft	Jul-Aug	Grn-Purp	\$4
<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Rattlesnake Master			X		X	X	X		2-5 ft	Jul-Aug	White	\$4
<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>	Wild Strawberry	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		5 in	Apr-Jun	White	\$4
<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	Bottle Gentian		X	X			X	X		1-2 ft	Aug-Oct	Blue	\$4
<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Wild Geranium	X	X	X		X	X	X		1-2 ft	Apr-Jul	Lavender	\$4
<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	Sneeze Weed		X	X			X	X	X	4 ft	Aug-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	Ox-eye Sunflower		X	X		X	X	X		3-5 ft	Jun-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Hepatica nobilis acuta</i>	Sharp-lobed Hepatica	X	X			X	X			3-8 in	Apr-May	Pnk-White	\$8
<i>Heuchera richardsonii</i>	Prairie Alumroot		X	X	X	X	X			1-2 ft	May-Jun	Cream-Grn	\$4
<i>Iris virginica shrevei</i>	Blue Flag Iris		X	X			X	X	X	2-3 ft	May-Jul	Blue-violet	\$4
<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Path Rush		X	X	X	X	X	X		6-12 in	Jun-Sep	Green	\$4
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	June Grass			X	X	X	X			2 ft	Jun-Jul	Cream	\$4
<i>Liatris aspera</i>	Rough Blazingstar		X	X	X	X	X			2-4 ft	Jul-Oct	Purple	\$4
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	Prairie Blazingstar		X	X			X	X		2-5 ft	Jun-Sep	Purple	\$4
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower		X	X			X	X	X	18-40 in	Jul-Sep	Red	\$4
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Great Blue Lobelia		X				X	X	X	1-3 ft	Jul-Oct	Blue	\$4
<i>Lupinus perennis occidentalis</i>	Wild Lupine		X	X	X	X	X			8-24 in	May-Jun	Purple	\$4
<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Virginia Bluebells	X	X				X	X		12-30 in	Apr-May	Pink/Blue	\$4
<i>Mitella diphylla</i>	Bishop's Cap	X	X			X	X	X		8-16 in	Apr-Jun	White	\$4
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild Bergamot			X	X	X	X	X		2-4 ft	Jun-Aug	Violet	\$4
<i>Oenothera pilosella</i>	Prairie Sundrops		X	X		X	X	X		18-24 in	May-Jun	Yellow	\$4
<i>Oligoneuron rigidum</i>	Stiff Goldenrod		X	X	X	X	X	X		4 ft	Aug-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Opuntia humifusa</i>	Eastern Prickly Pear		X	X	X					6 in	Jun-Jul	Yellow	\$4
<i>Parthenium integrifolium</i>	Wild Quinine			X		X	X	X		2-3 ft	Jun-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i>	Large-flowered Beardtongue		X	X	X	X				12-40 in	May-Jun	Lavender	\$6
<i>Penstemon hirsutus</i>	Hairy Beardtongue		X	X	X	X	X	X		16-24 in	May-Jun	Lavender	\$4
<i>Phlox divaricata</i>	Woodland Phlox	X	X			X	X	X		10-18 in	Apr-Jun	Violet	\$4
<i>Phlox pilosa</i>	Prairie Phlox		X	X		X	X	X		6-21 in	May-Jul	Pink	\$4
<i>Podophyllum peltatum</i>	May Apple	X	X			X	X	X		1 ft	May-Jun	White	\$4
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Yellow (Gray) Coneflower		X	X		X	X			4 ft	Jul-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i>	Showy Black-eyed Susan		X	X			X	X		1-3 ft	Jul-Oct	Yell-Org	\$4
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan		X	X		X	X	X		1-2 ft	Jun-Oct	Yellow	\$4

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		SH	PS	S	D	DM	M	WM	W				
<i>Ruellia humilis</i>	Wild Petunia			X	X	X	X			12 in	Jun-Aug	Purple	\$4
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	Little Bluestem		X	X	X	X	X			1-3 ft	Aug-Sep	Brown	\$4
<i>Scrophularia marilandica</i>	Late Figwort	X	X		X	X	X			3-7 ft	Jul-Sep	Red/Brown	\$4
<i>Silene stellata</i>	Starry Campion	X	X			X	X			6-20 in	Jul-Aug	White	\$4
<i>Silphium laciniatum</i>	Compass Plant			X	X	X	X			6-10 ft	Jul-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	Cup Plant		X	X			X	X		4-10 ft	Jul-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>	Prairie Dock			X			X	X		3-10 ft	Aug-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>	Zigzag Goldenrod	X	X			X	X	X		2-3 ft	Aug-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Solidago juncea</i>	Early Goldenrod		X	X	X	X	X			3 ft	Jul-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	Field Goldenrod		X	X	X	X				2 ft	Aug-Sep	Yellow	\$4
<i>Solidago speciosa</i>	Showy Goldenrod		X	X	X	X	X			1-5 ft	Aug-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Solidago ulmifolia</i>	Elm-leaved Goldenrod	X	X			X	X			2-3 ft	Jul-Oct	Yellow	\$4
<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>	Prairie Dropseed		X	X	X	X	X	X		1-3 ft	Aug-Oct	Brown	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>	Smooth Blue Aster		X	X			X			1-3 ft	Aug-Sep	Blue	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum novae-angliae</i>	New England Aster		X	X		X	X	X		3-6 ft	Aug-Oct	Pink-Purp	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum oblongifolium</i>	Aromatic Aster			X	X	X				1-2 ft	Aug-Nov	Purple	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum oolentangiense</i>	Sky Blue Aster		X	X	X	X	X			3 ft	Aug-Oct	Blue	\$4
<i>Thalictrum thalictroides</i>	Rue Anemone	X	X			X	X			6-9 in	Apr-Jun	White	\$6
<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>	Ohio Spiderwort		X	X		X	X	X		2-4 in	May-Jul	Violet	\$4
<i>Trillium grandiflorum</i>	Large-flowered Trillium	X	X				X	X		8-18 in	May-Jun	White	\$8
<i>Trillium recurvatum</i>	Prairie Trillium	X	X				X	X		12 in	Apr-May	Maroon	\$8
<i>Uvularia grandiflorum</i>	Large-flowered Bellwort	X	X			X	X	X		1-2 ft	Apr-Jun	Yellow	\$8#
<i>Verbena stricta</i>	Hoary Vervain		X	X	X	X				2 ft	Jun-Sep	Blue	\$4
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>	Common Ironweed		X	X			X	X		6 ft	Jul-Sep	Purple	\$4
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	Culver's Root		X	X		X	X	X		5 ft	Jun-Aug	White	\$4
<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Golden Alexanders		X	X		X	X	X		3 ft	Apr-Jun	Yellow	\$4





2026 Extra Native Plant Sale Species List – In-Person Shopping

Light: Shade (SH); Part Shade (PS); Full Sun (S)

Moisture: Dry (D); Dry Mesic (DM); Mesic (M); Wet Mesic (WM); Wet (W)

Subject to availability, we will have the following plants at the onsite sale for in-person shopping.

Plants on this list are sold as plugs & ½ pints, with the exception of those with a symbol in their price: # = pint; + = gallon.

NOTE: These plants cannot be pre-ordered.

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<i>Actaea pachypoda</i>	Doll's Eyes	X					X			2 ft	May-Jun	White	\$12+
<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	Big Bluestem		X	X	X	X	X	X		4- ft	Jun-Sep	Red	\$4
<i>Aralia racemosa</i>	Spikenard	X	X				X	X		3-5 ft	Jul-Aug	Green	\$4
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Jack-in-the-Pulpit	X	X			X	X	X		2 ft	Apr-Jul	Green	\$8#
<i>Asarum canadense</i>	Wild Ginger	X				X	X	X		6 in	Apr-Jun	Red	\$6
<i>Asclepias exaltata</i>	Poke Milkweed	X	X			X	X	X		5 ft	Jun-Jul	White	\$4
<i>Asclepias hirtella</i>	Tall Green Milkweed		X	X	X	X	X			1-3 ft	Jun-Aug	White	\$4
<i>Asclepias purpurascens</i>	Purple Milkweed		X	X		X	X	X		3 ft	Jun-Jul	Violet	\$4
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	Lady Fern	X	X				X	X		1-2 ft	N/A	Green	\$12+
<i>Carex albicans</i>	White-tinged Sedge	X	X		X	X	X			1-2 ft	Apr-Jun	Cream	\$4
<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>	Blue Cohosh	X	X				X	X		1-2 ft	Apr-May	Green	\$12+
<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	Showy Tick Trefoil		X	X		X	X	X		2-6 ft	Jul-Aug	Violet	\$4
<i>Dryopteris marginalis</i>	Marginal Shield Fern	X	X				X	X		1-3 ft	N/A	Green	\$12+
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Common Boneset		X	X				X	X	2-4 ft	Jul-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Eutrochium purpureum</i>	Sweet Joe-Pye Weed	X	X			X	X	X		4-7 ft	Jul-Sep	Pink	\$4
<i>Filipendula rubra</i>	Queen-of-the-Prairie		X	X				X	X	3-6 ft	Jun-Aug	Pink	\$4
<i>Gentianopsis crinita</i>	Fringed Gentian		X	X				X	X	1-3 ft	Aug-Oct	Blue	\$6
<i>Geum triflorum</i>	Prairie Smoke		X	X	X	X	X	X		8 in	Apr-Jun	Pink	\$4
<i>Lespedeza capitata</i>	Round-Headed Bush Clover		X	X	X	X	X			4 ft	Aug-Sep	CreamGrn	\$4
<i>Liatris cylindracea</i>	Cylindrical Blazingstar		X	X	X	X	X			12-18 in	Jul-Sep	Violet	\$4
<i>Lilium michiganense</i>	Michigan Lily		X	X			X	X	X	5 ft	Jun-Aug	Orange	\$6
<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i>	False Solomon's Seal	X	X		X	X	X	X		2 ft	Apr-Jun	White	\$6
<i>Oligoneuron album</i>	White Goldenrod			X	X	X				1-2 ft	Jun-Sep	White	\$4
<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>	Sensitive Fern	X	X	X				X	X	1-3 ft	N/A	Green	\$12+
<i>Penstemon calycosus</i>	Calico Beardtongue		X	X			X	X		1-3 ft	Jun-Jul	Pink	\$4
<i>Phlox glaberrima</i>	Marsh Phlox		X	X			X	X		2-4 ft	Jun-Sep	Pink	\$4
<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	Obedient Plant		X	X			X	X	X	4 ft	Aug-Sep	Pink	\$4
<i>Polemonium reptans</i>	Jacob's Ladder	X	X	X		X	X	X		12-20 in	Apr-May	Blue	\$4
<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>	Smooth Solomon's Seal	X	X			X	X			4 ft	May-Jun	Cream	\$12+
<i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i>	Christmas Fern	X	X			X	X			18-30 in	N/A	Green	\$12+

Botanical Name	Common Name	Light			Moisture					Height	Bloom	Color	Price
		SH	PS	S	D	DM	M	WM	W				
<i>Pulsatilla patens</i>	Pasque Flower		X	X	X	X				6 in	Apr-May	Violet	\$6
<i>Sanguinaria canadense</i>	Bloodroot	X	X			X	X	X		6-10 in	Apr-May	White	\$6
<i>Silene regia</i>	Royal Catchfly		X	X		X	X	X		4 ft	Jul-Aug	Red	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum sericeum</i>	Silky Aster		X	X	X	X				1-2 ft	Sep-Oct	Violet	\$4
<i>Symphyotrichum shortii</i>	Short's Aster	X	X			X	X			1-3 ft	Aug-Oct	Blue	\$4
<i>Viola pedatifida</i>	Prairie Violet		X	X		X	X			6 in	Apr-Jun	Violet	\$4

Did You Know?

Planting native plants instead of non-native turf grass will help create beneficial habitat across the country.



Antennaria neglecta (Pussytoes) is a host plant for the American Painted Lady butterfly. Since this butterfly tends to lay eggs heavily once they find these plants, please plant plenty.

Photo by Ginnie Watson



Carex rosea (Curly Wood Sedge), along with other sedges, is a host plant to various butterflies and moths. Carexes can be used as “living mulch” to suppress weeds and provide habitat and food for insects, birds, and mammals.

Photo by Alan Branhagen



Tradescantia ohiensis (Spiderwort) attracts many bees and bumblebees during anthesis, which is the time when its petals are open, typically during morning hours. *T. ohiensis* does well in a wide range of soil types and sun exposures.

Photo by Ginnie Watson



Scrophularia marilandica (Late Figwort). Despite its tiny flower, *S. marilandica* produces abundant nectar that attracts Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, bumblebees, and other bees.



Trillium recurvatum (Prairie Trillium) is actually a woodland and savanna plant that produces only pollen to attract moths, beetles, flies, and ants (which help distribute its seeds).

Photo by Janet Giesen



Opuntia humifusa (Eastern Prickly Pear) grows well in Illinois because of its tolerance of moisture, humidity, and cold weather. Large pads of this cactus provide nesting habitat for Bobwhite quail and protective cover for other wildlife.



Solidago juncea (Early Goldenrod) is an early-blooming goldenrod that attracts pollinators, birds, and mammals and adapts to a wide range of habitats.

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About Rock River Valley WO Chapter

Wild Ones is a national not-for-profit organization with nearly 100 chapters in 36 states advocating for the many benefits of growing native plants in home and other landscapes.

The Rock River Valley Chapter is one of the largest and most active Wild Ones chapters, with over 195 members. Our monthly programs feature speakers expert in their field and are open to the public. Certain special programs, events, and services are members-only benefits. Scan the QR code below to access the chapter's website to learn more about meetings and events, read newsletters, and find links to informative references.

To stay informed of events and news in the native plant community, members receive the Wild Ones Journal, a quarterly national magazine, as well as our monthly chapter newsletter. New members have access to the New Member Wild Ones e-Handbook, a great resource for native gardeners. Household membership is \$40 a year and is tax deductible. For more information about joining, contact our membership chair at membershipworrvc@gmail.com. You can also visit our chapter website at www.RRVCWildOnes.org.

Native Plant Sales—An Important Part of the Wild Ones Mission

The Wild Ones Rock River Valley Chapter holds two plant sales each year: the Native Plant Sale in the spring and the Tree and Shrub Sale in autumn. These sales make available a great selection of native plants that are seldom found at garden centers and big box stores. The proceeds fund educational activities including our excellent monthly educational programs. Please visit our website to learn more about Wild Ones and the monthly meetings to which everyone is cordially invited.

Become a Plant Sale Volunteer!

Come join us as a volunteer at our 2026 native plant sale! Volunteers are crucial to the success of the sale and we are counting on you to help with this year's event. We depend on those of you who have helped in the past and welcome new volunteers.

Volunteer shifts range from two to four hours in the morning or afternoon on days before and during the sale. You can select just one spot or sign up for more. It's a fun way to get outside, visit with fellow Wild Ones chapter members, and meet others interested in native plants.

Please sign up for your selected dates and time slots by April 15 at this link: bit.ly/4tLCpoI

You will receive an email reminder three days in advance of your shift time.

Please contact Betsy Kelly, volunteer coordinator, at: bkelly3074@aol.com or 815-988-6526 if you have any questions about volunteering at the plant sale. We'd love to have you join us!

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