

Plants that are native to Indiana offer so many benefits—especially in landscape design and land reclamation and restoration. One might wonder, “Why grow anything else?” Many native plants are essentially self-sustaining and they seldom spread to environments where they are not welcome—a common problem with many exotic, non-native plants. Many native species like tulip tree, hydrangea, black chokeberry, purple coneflower, cardinal flower, and ostrich fern, to name just a few, are available in nurseries. *Landscaping with Plants Native to Indiana* provides a listing of plants recommended for landscape design and wildlife plantings. It also outlines numerous sources throughout Indiana and surrounding states which carry native plants. If your local nurseries do not stock native plants, we encourage you to request that they expand their product line to include the attractive and hearty plants native to the Hoosier state. Grow natives!

“Indigenous plants are a significant part of a region’s geographic context. In fact, they help define it. They have themselves capable of surviving in a landscape for millennia. What better plants can there be, if not the natives, to confront the soil conditions, climate, pests, and diseases of the local areas?”

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Queen-of-the-Prairie
Filipendula rubra

Recommended Reading

- *The Gardener’s Encyclopedia of Wildflowers*
by C. Colston Burrell; Rodale Press, 1997, ISBN 0-87596-723-
- *Go Native! Gardening with Native Plants and Wildflowers in the Lower Midwest*
by Carolyn Harstad; Indiana University Press, 1999, ISBN 0-253-21302-9
- *Landscaping With Native Trees*
by Guy Sternberg; Chapters Pub. Ltd., 1996, ISBN 1881527662
- *The Natural Habitat Garden*
by Ken Druse; Clarkson Potter, 1994, ISBN 0517589893
- *Field Guide to Indiana Wildflowers*
by Kay Yatskevich; Indiana University Press, 2000, ISBN 0253214203

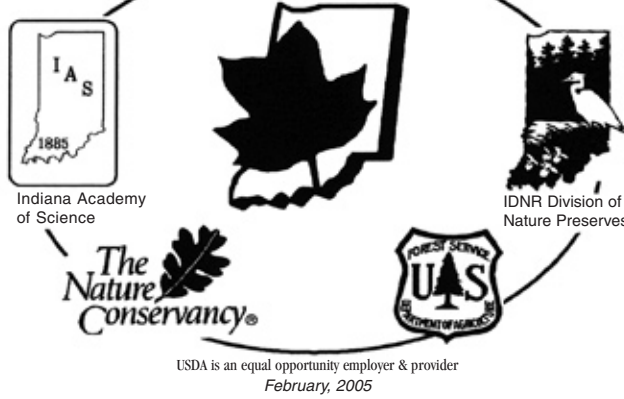
For More Information

These groups and organizations offer a wealth of information and many opportunities to become involved and learn more about native plants.

- **Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society**
www.inpaws.org
- **IDNR, Division of Nature Preserves**
402 W. Washington Street, Rm. W267
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 232-4052
www.in.gov/dnr/naturepr/index.html
- **The Nature Conservancy, Indiana Chapter**
1505 N. Delaware St., Ste 200
Indianapolis, IN 46202
(317) 951-8818
www.nature.org
- **Wild Ones—Natural Landscapers, Ltd.**
www.for-wild.org
- **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**
guide to landscaping with native wildflowers and grasses
www.epa.gov/greenacres
- **Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center**
www.wildflower.org

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Recommended Plants and their Sources



Purple Coneflower
Echinacea purpurea

Yellow Coneflower
Ratibida pinnata

Recommended Native Plants

The species on this list are native to Indiana and recommended for landscaping and wildlife plantings in the state. They have been selected because they tend to grow widely throughout the state and should do well if matched to their preferred growing conditions. While open-pollinated seeds of local genotype plants are preferred for native restorations, increasing numbers of native plant cultivars are available and suitable for garden settings.

FLOWERING PERENNIALS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Bloom Color	Sun	Bloom Season
Columbine	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Orange/Yellow	Psun-Shade	Spring
Marsh Milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Pink	Sun	Summer
Butterfly Weed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Orange	Sun	Summer
New England Aster	<i>Aster novae-angliae</i>	Purple	Sun-Psun	Fall
Smooth Aster	<i>Aster laevis</i>	Blue	Sun-Psun	Fall
Short’s Aster	<i>Aster shortii</i>	Lavender	Shade	Fall
Blue False Indigo	<i>Baptisia australis</i>	Blue	Sun-Psun	Spring
Tall Coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis tripteris</i>	Yellow	Sun	Summer
Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple	Sun-Psun	Summer
Spotted Joe-Pye-Weed	<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i>	Pink	Sun	Summer.
Sweet Joe-Pye-Weed	<i>Eupatorium purpureum</i>	Pink	P-sun	Summer
Queen-of-the-Prairie	<i>Filipendula rubra</i>	Pink	Sun	Summer
Autumn Sneezeweed	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	Yellow	Sun-Psun	Fall
False Sunflower	<i>Heliopsis belianthoides</i>	Yellow	Sun-Psun	Summer
Blue Flag Iris	<i>Iris virginica sbruei</i>	Blue	Sun-Psun	Spring
Dense Blazing Star	<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Purple	Sun	Summer
Wild Geranium	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Lavender	Psun-Shade	Spring
Violet Lespedeza	<i>Lespedeza violacea</i>	Violet	Sun	Summer
Cardinal Flower	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Red	Sun-Shade	Summer
Great Blue Lobelia	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Blue	Psun-Shade	Summer
Virginia Bluebells	<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Blue	Psun-Shade	Spring
Bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Lavender	Sun	Summer
Blue Phlox	<i>Pblox divaricata</i>	Blue	Psun-Shade	Spring
Summer Phlox	<i>Pblox paniculata</i>	Purple	Sun-Shade	Summer
Yellow Coneflower	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Yellow	Sun	Summer
Green-Headed Coneflower	<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	Yellow	Psun	Summer
Sweet Black-Eyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia subtomentosa</i>	Yellow	Sun	Summer
Fire Pink	<i>Silene virginica</i>	Red	Psun	Spring
Royal Catchfly	<i>Silene regia</i>	Red	Sun	Summer
Blue-stemmed Goldenrod	<i>Solidago caesia</i>	Yellow	Sun-Psun	Fall
Grey Goldenrod	<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	Yellow	Sun-Psun	Fall
Stiff Goldenrod	<i>Solidago rigida</i>	Yellow	Sun	Fall
Celandine Poppy	<i>Styloporum diphyllum</i>	Yellow	Shade	Spng-Smr
Culver’s Root	<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	White	Sun	Summer



Fire Pink
Silene virginica

GRASSES

Big Bluestem	<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>
Side-Oats Grama	<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>
Bottlebrush Grass	<i>Elymus hystrix</i>
June Grass	<i>Koeleria pyramidata</i>
Switch Grass	<i>Panicum virgatum</i>
Little Bluestem	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>
Indian Grass	<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
Prairie Dropseed	<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>



Swamp Rose
Rosa palustris

GROUNDCOVERS

Wild Ginger	<i>Asarum canadense</i>
Palm Sedge	<i>Carex muskingumensis</i>
Common Oak Sedge	<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>
Running Strawberry Bush	<i>Euonymus obovatus</i>
Dwarf Crested Iris	<i>Iris cristata</i>
Creeping Phlox	<i>Pblox subulata</i>
Wild Stonecrop	<i>Sedum ternatum</i>

TREES

Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
River Birch	<i>Betula nigra</i>
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>
Redbud	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>
Green Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus viridis</i>
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>
American Beech	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>
Tulip Poplar	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>
Black Gum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>
Sycamore	<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>
Wild Plum	<i>Prunus americana</i>
White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>
Shingle Oak	<i>Quercus imbricaria</i>
Bur Oak	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>
Red Oak	<i>Quercus rubra</i>
Pin Oak	<i>Quercus palustris</i>

SHRUBS

Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>
Black Chokeberry	<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>
Pawpaw	<i>Asimina tribola</i>
New Jersey Tea	<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>
Gray Dogwood	<i>Cornus racemosa</i>
American Hazelnut	<i>Corylus americana</i>
Wahoo	<i>Euonymus atropurpureus</i>
Common Winterberry*	<i>Ilex verticillata</i>
Spicebush*	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>
Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>
Fragrant Sumac	<i>Rhus aromatica</i>
Shining Sumac	<i>Rhus glabra</i>
Staghorn Sumac	<i>Rhus typhina</i>
Arrowwood	<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>
Nannyberry	<i>Viburnum lentago</i>
Blackhaw	<i>Viburnum prunifolium</i>
American Cranberry Bush	<i>Viburnum trilobum</i>
Prickly Ash	<i>Zanthoxylum americanum</i>

*dioecious plants: Have the male and female flowers located on different, separate plants of the same species. Thus two plants are required to house both sexes.

FERNS

Maidenhair Fern	<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>
Evergreen Shield Fern	<i>Dryopteris marginalis</i>
Cinnamon Fern	<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i>
Ostrich Fern	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i>
Christmas Fern	<i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i>

VINES

Woolly Dutchman’s Pipe	<i>Aristolochia tomentosa</i>
Crossvine	<i>Bignonia capreolata</i>
Virgin’s Bower	<i>Clematis virginiana</i>
Virginia creeper	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>

Sources for Native Plant Material

Once you begin growing native plants, be sure to purchase them only from reputable nurseries that propagate by seed, cuttings or division. Collecting plants from the wild is unethical for individuals and professional businesses.

BUSINESSES

		NATIVE PLANT FOCUS						
		Percentage of product that is native plant material	Prairie Plants	Woodland Plants	Wetland Plants	Native Grasses		Trees and Shrubs
Arrowhead Alpines P.O. Box 857 Fowlerville, MI 48836	Tel: 517-223-3581 Fax: 517-223-8750 www.arrowheadalpines.com	n/a	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale/retail nursery; caintainer plants or bare-root depending on plant and season; most plans are grown from seeds, cuttings or divisions; mail order catalog available
Art Hopkins, Landscape Architect 1654 N. 475 E. Columbus, IN 47203-9382	Tel: 812-372-2862 Email: plant+art@yahoo.com	n/a						Registered Landscape Architect; residential/commercial design, consultation services include wildlife habitat, native plants, woodland understory restoration
Beineke's Nursery 513 Sharon Road West Lafayette, IN 47906	Tel: 765-463-2994	85%		•			•	retail nursery; consultation on hardwood plantation establishment and management, specializing in a genetically improved black walnut species, catalog available
Blue Plant Gardens, Inc. 1170 Princeton Place Zionsville, IN 46077	Tel: 317-873-5390 Email: goxen@iquest.net	n/a						ecological landscape design by Linda Oxenrider; services include residential and commercial design and habitat restoration
Burnham Woods Nursery 6775 Hudoff Rd. Bloomington, IN 47408	Tel: 812-339-0616	10%	•	•			•	wholesale/retail nursery, extensive display gardens, call for hours
Cold Stream Farm 2030 Free Soil Road Free Soil, MI 49411	Tel: 231-464-5809 Email: cfs@jackpine.com www.coldstreamfarm.net	95%	•	•	•		•	wholesale/retail nursery; specializing in plants for wildlife habitat, catalog available
Country Road Greenhouses, Inc. 19561 E. Twombly Rochelle, IL 61068	Tel: 815-384-3311 Fax: 815-385-5015 www.prairieplugs.com	100%	•		•			wholesale nursery
Designs on Nature 202 Lincolnway East Mishawaka, IN 46544	Tel: 574-256-2242 Fax: 574-257-1966	40%	•	•	•	•	•	farmscaping, large scale prairie seeding projects, erosion control, educational outdoor labs, self guiding trails, residential and commercial landscape design, dune and prairie restoration, mail order catalog available
Edge of the Prairie Wildflowers 1861 Oak Hill Road Crawfordsville, IN 47933	Tel: 765-362-0915	100%	•				•	plugs and gallon containers of prairie plants and grasses, local genotypes, call for appointment, landscape design services include prairie restoration, catalog available
Enders Greenhouse 104 Enders Drive Cherry Valley, IL 61016	Tel: 815-332-5255 Fax: 815-968-2941 Email: endrsnatvs@aol.com	100%	•	•	•	•		wholesale/retail nursery; container-grown Midwest natives are nursery propagated, habitat restoration services, catalog available
Heartland Restoration Services, Inc. 14921 Hand Road Fort Wayne, IN 46818	Tel: 260-489-8511 Fax: 260-489-8607 Email: mail@earthsourceinc.net www.earthsourceinc.net	100%	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale nursery; suppliers of local genotype seed and custom grown plants, offers range of environmental consulting services including installation and management of native landscapes including prescribed burns and limited herbicide applications / exotic species control of those ecosystems, catalog available
Hensler Nursery, Inc. P.O. Box 58 Hamlet, IN 46532	Tel: 574-867-4192 Fax: 574-867-4960 www.henslernurseryindiana.com	n/a					•	wholesale tree nursery; mail order available
Dean Hill, ASLA 9677 Amber Glow Court Fishers, IN 46038	Tel: 317-577-1360	n/a						Registered Landscape Architect; residential and commercial design, habitat restoration, consultation
Mark M. Holeman, Inc. 7871 Hague Road Indianapolis, IN 46256	Tel: 317-849-3120 Fax: 317-578-0439 Email: mmholeman2@aol.com www.holemanlandscape.com	30%	•	•	•	•	•	retail nursery; full service landscape design, installation and maintenance, landscape architects on staff
J&J Transplant Aquatic Nursery LLC W 4980 County Road W., P.O. Box 227 Wild Rose, WI 54984	Tel: 800-622-5055 Fax: 715-256-0039 Email: jmalchow@tranzplant.com www.tranzplant.com	100%	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale/retail nursery; specializing in wetland plants, landscape design services include residential and commercial design and wetland restoration, catalog available (\$3.00)
J.E. New & Associates, Inc. 708 Roosevelt Road Walkerton, IN 46574	Tel: 574-586-3400 Fax: 574-586-3446 Email: dnew@jfnew.com www.jfnew.com	99%	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale/retail nursery; specializing in local genotype seed mixes, bare root and containerized plants, residential/commercial landscape design services include habitat restoration, control burning, plant/seed installation, natural systems for waste water treatment, catalog available
Jasper - Pulaski State Tree Nursery 15508 W. 700 N. Medaryville, IN 47957	Tel: 219-843-4827 Fax: 219-843-6671 Email: jpnrsry@wc.ffni.com	98%					•	service provided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry; tree and shrub seedlings for conservation plantings, product available to Indiana landowners only, mail order catalog available
Leescapes Garden Design 8351 E. County Road 200 N. Avon, IN 46123-5338	Tel/Fax: 317-272-4938 Email: crumpet@indy.net	75%	•	•	•	•	•	Hilary Cox, garden designer; general garden design with "English" gardens utilizing native plants
Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse of the Indianapolis Museum of Art 1200 W. 38th Street Indianapolis, IN 46208	Tel: 317-920-2652 Fax: 317-920-2672	n/a	•	•		•		retail nursery; native and non-native plants available, many native species may be viewed growing on the grounds of the Indianapolis Museum of Art
Marshland Transplant Aquatic Nursery P.O. Box 1 Berlin, WI 54923	Tel: 800-208-2842 Fax: 920-361-4200	100%	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale / retail nursery; nursery-grown potted material and bareroot plants and seeds for restoration, consulting, contract growing, drill and plug installation services, waste water treatment and water gardening, mail order catalog available
Munchkin Nursery & Garden 323 Woodside Drive, N.W. Depauw, IN 47115-9039	Tel: 812-633-4858 Fax: 812-633-4858 Email: genebush@munchkinnursery.com www.munchkinnursery.com	75%		•				retail nursery; lectures and slide presentations, display garden by appointment, mail order catalog (\$3.00)
Possibility Place Nursery 7548 Monee-Manhattan Road Monee, IL 60449	Tel: 708-534-3988 Fax: 708-534-6272 www.possibilityplace.com	95%	•				•	retail nursery; specializing in native trees and shrubs indigenous to Northeast Illinois. 90% of plants' seed collected in Northern Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa, catalog available
Prairie Future Seed Company P.O. Box 644 Menomonee, WI 53052-0644	Tel: 414-820-0211 Fax: 414-325-1228 Email: pfsco@execpc.com	97%	•	•		•		wholesale nursery; seeds and container plant materials, S.E. Wisconsin and N.E. Illinois genotypes, consultant services, educational seminars, technical support for "do it yourself" programs, installation and management, catalog available (\$3.00)
Prairie Nursery P.O. Box 306 Westfield, WI 53964	Tel: 800-476-9453 Fax: 608-296-2741 Email: customerservice@prairienursery.com www.prairienursery.com	100%	•	•				custom seed mixes, residential and commercial landscape design and installation, habitat restoration, plugs
Prairie Seed Source P.O. Box 83 North Lake, WI 53064-0083	www.Ameritech.net/users/rasillon/Seed.html	100%	•			•		retail nursery; consultant services, installation, management, seed and container plants, all seed from S.E. Wisconsin genotype, mail order catalog available (\$1.00)
Shooting Star Nursery 160 Soards Road Georgetown, KY 40324	Tel: 502-867-7979 Fax: 502-867-7677 Email: shootingstarnursery@msn.com www.shootingstarnursery.com	100%	•		•	•		wholesale/retail nursery; all plants grown from seeds, cuttings or divisions, landscape design services available throughout the Cincinnati / Kentucky area, mail order, catalog available
Spence Restoration Nursery 2220 E. Fuson Road / P.O. Box 546 Muncie, IN 47308	Tel: 765-286-7154 Fax: 765-286-0264 Email: kevin@spencenursery.com www.spencenursery.com	100%	•	•	•	•		wholesale/retail nursery; plants are 100% nursery propagated, landscape design services include floral inventories, retention basin / pond planting and design, habitat restoration, mail order catalog available
Springcreek Landscaping & Nursery, Inc. 1860 N. 525 E. Logansport, IN 46947	Tel/Fax: 574-722-1128 Email: scheidj@iquest.net	20 %		•			•	wholesale/retail nursery; residential/commercial landscape design and habitat restoration, has a small amount of instock but can order more
Sunlight Gardens 174 Golden Lane Andersonville, TN 37705	Tel: 800-272-7396 Fax: 865-494-7086 Email: info@sunlightgardens.com www.sunlightgardens.com	90%	•		•	•	•	wholesale/retail nursery; additional products include ferns and vines, all plants nursery propagated, landscape design services include woodland restoration, mail order catalog available
Taylor Creek Restoration Nurseries 17921 Smith Road Brodhead, WI 53520	Tel: 608-897-8641 Fax: 608-897-8486 Email: info@appliedeco.com	100%	•	•	•	•		wholesale/retail nursery; plants and seeds of wildflowers, grasses and sedges, contract growing, Registered Landscape Architect, residential/commercial services include planting design and installation, prairie and wetland restoration, mail order catalog available
The Michigan Wildflower Farm 11770 Cutler Road Portland, MI 49001	Tel: 517-647-6010 Fax: 517-647-6072 Email: wildflowers@voyager.net	99%	•	•	•	•	•	seed producer of Michigan-area genotypes; mail order catalog available
Vallonia Nursery 2782 W. Co. Rd. 540 S. Vallonia, IN 47281	Tel: 812-358-3621 Fax: 812-358-9033 Email: vallonia@hsonline.net www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/nursery	95%		•	•		•	service provided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry; tree and shrub seedlings for conservation plantings, product available to Indiana landowners only, mail order catalog available
Water Resources Design, Inc. 551 Teton Trail Indianapolis, IN 46217	Tel: 317-786-7529 Email: oskay@surf-ici.com	100%			•			landscape design services include backyard wildlife habitat, pond and wetland design and restoration
Wetlands Nursery, Inc. P.O. Box 14553 Saginaw, MI 48601	Tel: 517-752-3492 Email: jewel@wetlands-nursery.com www.wetlands-nursery.com	90%			•			wholesale/retail nursery; native wetland plants of Michigan-area genotypes & rescued plants, wetland plant database in CD format featuring information, photographs and drawings of native wetland plants, catalog available
Wildtype Design, Native Plants & Seeds 900 N. Every Road Mason, MI 48854	Tel: 517-224-1140 Email: wildtype@msu.edu www.wildtypeplants.com	100%	•	•	•	•	•	wholesale/retail nursery; bare root stock only, Michigan-area genotypes, species inventory and site assessment, design and planning, establishment and management of native landscapes, catalog available
Woods' Edge Farm 532 Stanek Road Muscodia, WI 53573-9448	Tel: 608-739-3527 Email: info@woodsedgefarm.com www.woodsedgefarm.com	100%		•				wholesale/retail nursery; all plants of Wisconsin genotypes propagated from seed or cuttings
Woody Warehouse, Inc. P.O. Box 259 Litzon, IN 46149	Tel: 866-766-8367 Fax: 317-994-5494 Email: sales@woodywarehouse.com www.woodywarehouse.com	95%			•		•	wholesale nursery; forestry consulting services including tree plantings, management plans

The nurseries and businesses listed provide plants native to Indiana. Mention of a business does not constitute a guarantee of the products or services nor does it imply endorsement over comparable businesses that are not listed. For a more extensive list of sources please visit the Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society's web site: www.inpaws.org

SERVICES