

Historic Daffodil and Native Plant Garden

Section D

From the birdhouse to the end of the path



Noanett Garden Club

*The Noanett Garden Club
installed and has maintained the
Historic Daffodil and Native Plant
Garden for the last 20 years.*



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Common Name: Eastern Sweetshrub, Carolina Allspice

Botanical Name: *Calycanthus floridus*



Fast Facts: Likes average well drained soil and grown best in sun to part shade. Blooms June thru August with maroon, reddish and fragrant flowers and foliage. 3' to 13' tall and wide. Grows a bit taller in shade than in sun. Will send shoots off and naturalize if not pruned immediately after flowering.



Common Name: Coral Bells, Alum-root

Botanical Name: *Heuchera americana*



Fast Facts: Features many cultivars with heart shaped lobed leaves which are sometime variegated, prefers rich soil in semi-shaded or shaded locales, sends up spires of small pink or white flowers in mid-summer that attract pollinators. Likes well drained or moist rich soil.



Common Name: Beardtongue

Botanical Name: *Penstemon digitalis* "Husker Red"

Fast Facts: Features 2' to 3' high bloom stalks in May and June of light pink to white flowers on reddish green stems. Reddish green foliage creates contrast in the garden. Brown flower seed heads create Fall interest. Self seeds. Grows and blooms in full sun or shade. Likes moist to wet soil but will tolerate dry soil. Attracts humming birds, bees and butterflies and is deer resistant.





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Common Name: Culvers Root

Botanical Name: *Veronicastrum virginicum*



Fast Facts: 2' to 6' tall narrow spikes of white, pink or blue flowers in July, August and September. The effect is like a candelabra. Average to wet soli. Sun to part shade. Long, narrow floral spikes. Butterflies and bees enjoy this flower.

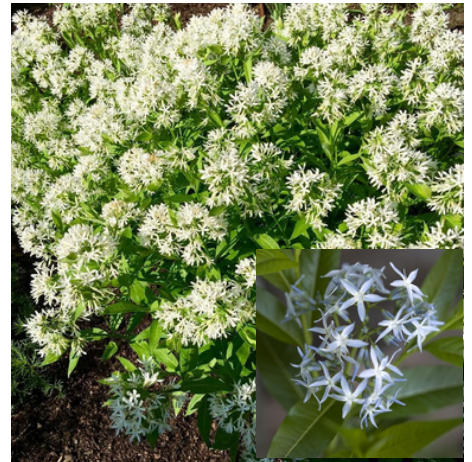


Common Name: Eastern Bluestar

Botanical Name: *Amsonia tabernaemontana*



Fast Facts: Eastern Blue Star features light blue to white star shaped flowers. It thrives in full sun, grows up to 2-3 feet tall and wide. It will slowly increase in size but will not be invasive. It is a member of the dogbane family that can be loaded with highly toxic alkaloids. Grows most often in wet, sandy, rich and rocky woods. Can get floppy if not in full sun.



Common Name: Blue Bunch Grass

Botanical Name: *Festuca idahoensis* "Siskiyou Blue"



Fast Facts: Easy to grow, it attracts birds and is deer resistant. Great for mass plantings and is interesting in winter. Forms 15" to 16" clumps of 12" high silvery blue grass. Does best in full sun. Low water requirements. Will grow in clay, sandy or loamy soil. Prefers well drained soil.



Common Name: Joe Pye Weed

Botanical Name: *Eutrochium maculatum*



Fast Facts: Grows 3' to 6' tall. Likes full sun and moist well drained soil. Has dark stems and large pink clusters of flowers in late Summer. Attracts pollinators. A real "statement" perennial in the garden.



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Common Name: Showy Coneflower

Botanical Name: *Rudbeckia fulgida*



Fast Facts: Grows 2' to 3' tall with yellow daisy like flowers. Does best in full sun but will tolerate a bit of shade. Likes anything but soggy soil. Plant spreads by underground rhizomes to form large clumps. Flowers attract pollinators and seed heads attract birds in the Fall.



Common Name: Prairie Dropseed

Botanical Name: *Sporobolous heterolepsis*



Fast Facts: Prairie dropseed, is a native perennial clump-forming, warm-season, ornamental grass that forms dense tufts of sprawling leaves up to 2 feet high and 3 feet across. Prefers full sun and dry rocky soil but is adaptable to a variety of soil conditions.

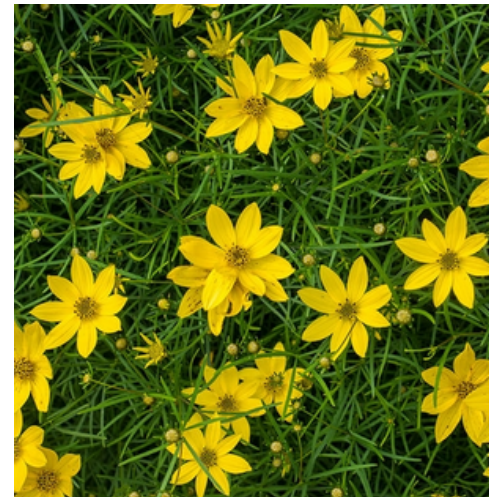


Common Name: Whorled tickseed

Botanical Name: *Coreopsis verticillata*



Fast Facts: Grows 1' to 2' tall. Thread like leaves and yellow flowers with yellow centers. Long blooming perennial mid Summer. Drought tolerant and will grow in part or full sun. Tolerates dry sandy soil. Attracts birds and butterflies. Birds eat the seeds.





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Common Name: Large Leaved Wood Aster

Botanical Name: *Eurybia macrophylla*



Fast Facts: Branching cluster of flat-topped flowers in pale blue or purple bloom on a 1'-4" stalk in September/October. Good groundcover. Shade/part shade. Average soil. Attracts bees, songbirds. Deer/rabbit resistant.



Common Name: Butterfly Weed, Milkweed

Botanical Name: *Asclepias tuberosa*



Fast Facts: Grows 1' to 3' tall. Likes full sun and favors dry sandy soil but will tolerate some moisture. Is drought tolerant and deer resistant. Has bright orange blooms in late Summer that attract pollinators like bees and butterflies and hummingbirds. May not produce blooms for up to three years until established.



Common Name: American Witch Hazel

Botanical Name: *Hamamelis virginiana*



Fast Facts: This shrub or small tree generally grows to 12-15 feet high with a spread about the same. The flowers are bright yellow and fragrant. It typically an understory plant so enjoys part-shade and moist soil. Soil type clay, loam and/or sand. Yellow blooms in late fall and persist into November. Great fall color, winter interest and fruit for birds are its characteristics. Blooms, attracts bees, other pollinators and wildlife. Deer/rabbit resistant



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Common Name: Winterberry

Botanical Name: *Ilex verticillata* "Berry Heavy"



Fast Facts: It is a deciduous holly, meaning that it loses its leaves in the fall but has vivid fruit in the late summer, fall and winter. It grows to 6-8 ft. high spreads to 6-8 feet. It prefers sun. Grows well in tough conditions such as shade and wet soil. It attracts birds and is deer resistant.



Common Name: Hazel Alder

Botanical Name: *Alnus incana* subsp. *rugosa*



Fast Facts: Broad leaf, 15' to 25' high and wide, Blooms in March. Likes full sun to part shade. Water needs are medium to wet, conditions. Maintenance is low and it attracts birds.



Common Name: Northern Spice Bush

Botanical Name: *Lindera benzoin*



Fast Facts: Grows 8' to 15'. Often found in rich forests, dry slopes and in swamps. Leaves produce a spice odor when crushed. The bush itself has a peppery scent. Flowers in the spring and fruit matures in the fall. It is not drought or heat tolerant. Female fruit need male pollinator plants to reproduce. It has good yellow fall color.





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Common Name: Red Chokeberry

Botanical Name: *Aronia arbutifolia*



Fast Facts: Will tolerate a variety of soil conditions but prefers moist to wet soil. Part shade to full sun. White flowers in May and berries appearing in late Summer early Fall. It is more prolific in sun, can grow to 6' tall and spread by suckering. Berries are edible to humans and birds but have an astringent taste.



Common Name: Small Bayberry

Botanical Name: *Myrica pennsylvanica*



Fast Facts: Grows in well drained sandy soil, and is common on Cape Cod, can tolerate salt spray, will also grow in boggy peat conditions, berries are an important food source for migrating birds, female shrub requires male shrub in the vicinity in order to pollinate. Does best when planted in an area with allot of space, sun. Waxy leaves are aromatic when crushed.

