



Eastern Temperate Forests



Blue Wood Aster

(Symphyotrichum cordifolium)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-5 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This densely flowering plant is a stunning late season choice, providing nectar to butterflies and visual interest. This species is generally pest free and deer resistant.



Smooth Aster

(Symphyotrichum laeve)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-4 ft

DURATION: Perennial

These small and densely blooming flowers are a striking blue to purple color with a golden-yellow center. This species has no serious pests or diseases.



Woodland Sunflower

(Helianthus divaricatus)



LIGHT: Partial sun

WATER: Low

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-6 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This sunflower produces a profusion of 2 inch across yellow flowers that are attractive to many species. This plant is deer resistant, relatively pest and disease free, and can be divided every few years.



Black-Eyed Susan

(Rudbeckia hirta)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-3 ft

DURATION:

Short-lived perennial

This short-lived perennial with 3 inch blooms self-seeds and can tolerate a wide range of growing conditions. It has no serious pests or diseases and is deer resistant.



Cutleaf Coneflower

(Rudbeckia laciniata)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Average to high

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Mid summer through fall

HEIGHT: 3-9 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This 3-4 inch flower grows well in a large pot with support, and its attractive seedheads extend the season of interest into the winter. It has no serious pests or diseases and is deer resistant.



Lanceleaf Coreopsis

(Coreopsis lanceolata)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low

SEASON OF INTEREST:

Late spring through mid summer

HEIGHT: 1-2 ft

DURATION: Perennial

Relatively free of pests and naturally resistant to deer, this attractive yellow flower draws a wide array of native pollinators. In the right conditions this plant grows quickly and can self-seed.



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Orange Coneflower

(Rudbeckia fulgida)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun

WATER: Average

SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid summer through fall

HEIGHT: 2-4 ft

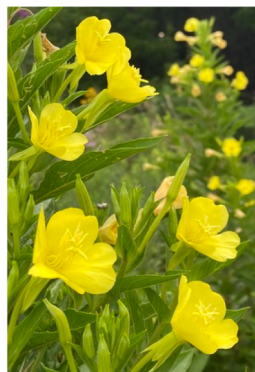
DURATION: Perennial

This bright flower blooms profusely in full sun but can tolerate some shade. It is low maintenance, highly disease tolerant, deer resistant, and attractive to butterflies.



Common Evening Primrose

(Oenothera biennis)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall

HEIGHT: 3-5 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This fragrant flower produces a profusion of yellow flowers that open in the evening and close in the morning. This species blooms in its second year, and the whole plant is edible.



Blanketflower or Firewheel

(Gaillardia pulchella)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Low

SEASON OF INTEREST: Spring through fall

HEIGHT: 1-2 ft

DURATION: Short-lived Perennial

This showy flower has a striking red center up to 2 inches across and abundant nectar. This easy to grow plant has no serious pests or diseases, and readily self-seeds.



Wrinkleleaf Goldenrod

(Solidago rugosa)



LIGHT: Full sun

WATER: Average to high

SEASON OF INTEREST: Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 3-5 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This compact goldenrod has arching sprays of bright yellow flowers that support over 100 species of insects. This species is deer resistant with no serious pests or diseases.



Wreath Goldenrod

(Solidago caesia)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun

WATER: Low to average

SEASON OF INTEREST: Late summer through fall

HEIGHT: 1-3 ft

DURATION: Perennial

This plant bears a profusion of flowers in late summer that are highly attractive to a variety of species. This less aggressive goldenrod is deer resistant with no serious pests or diseases.