

Help build native habitat corridors for the wildlife depending on them by adding native plants to your landscape.

This guide features over 125 wildflowers, shrubs, vines and grasses that are native to Florida and work well in home landscapes. It will help you select plants that are suitable for your geographic location and soil and light conditions. It will also help you choose plants based on other factors, such as color and season of bloom, as well as what type of pollinators you would like to attract to your landscape.

Light  Plant can take full sun.  Plant does well in partial sun/shade.  Plant is shade-tolerant. Color of bloom  White  Pink  Red  Orange  Yellow  Green  Purple  Blue  Brown <i>Color keys are meant as general guides; exact colors of blooms will vary.</i> Bloom season  Plant blooms primarily in spring.  Plant blooms primarily in summer.  Plant blooms primarily in fall.  Plant blooms primarily in winter. Evergreen or Deciduous  Indicates plant is evergreen.  Indicates plant is deciduous.	Soil moisture  Plant can tolerate dry soil conditions.  Plant can tolerate dry to moist soils.  Plant is adapted for wet soils. Height This is the average height of a mature plant. Hardiness Zone To identify which hardiness zone you live in, visit PlantHardiness.ars.usda.gov. Pollinator/ Bird use  Larval host plant  Butterflies, moths  Bees, wasps and other pollinators  Birds  Hummingbirds Species with * Some genera have a number of species that are suitable for different regions of the state. Find the species specific to your region at www.PlantRealFlorida.org.
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For plant profiles, planting information and more resources on using native wildflowers and plants in landscapes, visit www.FlaWildflowers.org/learn-to-grow.

To find a nursery in your area that specializes in native plants, visit www.PlantRealFlorida.org.

For seeds, visit www.FloridaWildflowers.com.

Wildflowers

Common name	Scientific name	Light	Color of bloom	Bloom season	Soil moisture	Height	Hardiness Zone	Pollinator/Bird use
Wild columbine	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>					18 in	8A-9A	  
White swamp milkweed	<i>Asclepias perennis</i>			  		1-2 ft	8A-9B	  
Butterfly milkweed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> *					18 in	8A-10B	  
Herb-of-grace	<i>Bacopa monnieri</i> *		  	  		1-6 in	8B-11	  
Greeneyes	<i>Berlandiera subacaulis</i>			 		1-2 ft	8B-10B	 
Seaside oxeye daisy	<i>Borrichia frutescens</i>			  		2-4 ft	8B-11	  
Florida paintbrush	<i>Carphephorus corymbosus</i> *		 	 		2-3 ft	8A-10B	 
Partridge pea	<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata</i>			  		3 ft	8A-10B	  
Green and gold	<i>Chrysogonum virginianum</i>					6 in	8A-9B	
Maryland goldenaster	<i>Chrysopsis mariana</i> *			  		18 in	8A-9B	  
Purple thistle	<i>Cirsium horridulum</i> *		 	  		1-4 ft	8A-10B	    
Browne's savory	<i>Clinopodium brownei</i>		 	  		3-4 in	8A-11	 
Lanceleaf tickseed	<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i> *			 		12-30 in	8A-10A	 
Leavenworth's tickseed	<i>Coreopsis leavenworthii</i> *			   		1-3 ft	8A-11	 
Twinflower	<i>Dyschoriste oblongifolia</i> *			  		6-10 in	8A-11	  
Purple coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>					18 in	8A-10A	  
Elephant's foot	<i>Elephantopus elatus</i>		 			2-3 ft	8A-11	 
Pineland heliotrope	<i>Euploca polyphylla</i>		 	   		6-18 in	8A-11	 
Joe pye weed	<i>Eutrochium fistulosum</i>		 			3-10 ft	8A-9B	   
Yellowtops	<i>Flaveria linearis</i>			  		2-3 ft	8A-11	 
Beach verbena	<i>Glandularia maritima</i> *		 	  		6-12 in	8B-11	 
Beach sunflower	<i>Helianthus debilis</i> *					15 in	8B-11	  
Scarlet hibiscus	<i>Hibiscus coccineus</i>					3-7 ft	8A-11	   
Shortleaf blazing star	<i>Liatris tenuifolia</i>			 		24-30 in	8A-10B	  
Sunshine mimosa	<i>Mimosa strigillosa</i>			 		2-9 in	8A-10B	  
Dotted horsemint	<i>Monarda punctata</i>		  	  		2-4 ft	8A-10A	 
White beardtongue	<i>Penstemon multiflorus</i> *			 		2-4 ft	8A-10A	  
Woodland phlox	<i>Phlox divaricata</i>					6 in	8A-8B	 
Frogfruit	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i>		 	   		2-4 in	8A-11	  
Silky goldenaster	<i>Pityopsis graminifolia</i>			 		1-3 ft	8A-11	 
Pale meadowbeauty	<i>Rhexia mariana</i>			 		2-3 ft	8A-11	 
Black-eyed susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> *			  		1-4 ft	8A-11	   
False petunia	<i>Ruellia caroliniensis</i>		 	  		6-18 in	8A-10B	  
Tropical sage	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>			  		1-3 ft	8A-10B	   
Helmet skullcap	<i>Scutellaria integrifolia</i>			 		12-18 in	8A-9B	  
Starry rosinweed	<i>Silphium asteriscus</i>			  		2-5 ft	8A-10B	  
Seaside goldenrod	<i>Solidago sempervirens</i> *			 		4-6 ft	8A-11	  
Indian pink	<i>Spigelia marlandica</i>					1-2 ft	8A-8B	 
Blue porterweed	<i>Stachytarpheta jamaicensis</i>		 			1-3 ft	9B-11	   
Stokes' aster	<i>Stokesia laevis</i>			 		18 in	8A-10B	 
Elliot's aster	<i>Symphyotrichum elliottii</i> *					2-5 ft	8A-11	 
Spiderwort	<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>							

Shrubs

Common name	Scientific name	Light	Color of bloom	Bloom season	Soil moisture	Evergreen or Deciduous	Height	Hardiness Zone	Pollinator/Bird use
Marlberry	<i>Ardisia escallonioides</i>						3-18 ft	9A-11	
Pipestem	<i>Agarista populifolia</i>						6-14 ft	8B-9A	
Hammock snakeroot	<i>Ageratina jucunda</i>						2-3 ft	8A-11	
White wild indigo	<i>Baptisia alba</i>						2-3 ft	8A-9B	
Georgia calamint	<i>Calamintha georgiana*</i>						1-3 ft	8A-8B	
American beautyberry	<i>Callicarpa americana</i>						3-6 ft	8A-11	
Sweetshrub	<i>Calycanthus floridus</i>						3-5 ft	8A-10B	
Buttonbush	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>						5-20 ft	8A-9B	
Snowberry	<i>Chiococca alba</i>						3-15 ft	9B-11	
Cocoplum	<i>Chrysobalanus icaco</i>						3-15 ft	9B-11	
Sea grape	<i>Coccoloba uvifera</i>						10-40 ft	9B-11	
False rosemary	<i>Conradina canescens*</i>						2-3 ft	8A-9B	
Hawthorne	<i>Crataegus marshallii</i>						5-8 ft	8A-9B	
Beach creeper	<i>Ernodea littoralis</i>						1-2 ft	9A-11	
Coralbean	<i>Erythrina herbacea</i>						3-8 ft	8A-11	
Spanish stopper	<i>Eugenia foetida*</i>						8-15 ft	9B-11	
Florida privet	<i>Forestiera segregata</i>						8-15 ft	8B-11	
Garberia	<i>Garberia heterophylla</i>						3-5 ft	8A-9B	
Firebush	<i>Hamelia patens</i>						4-10 ft	8B-11	
Scarlet hibiscus	<i>Hibiscus coccineus</i>						3-7 ft	8A-11S	
Oakleaf hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i>						5-10 ft	8A-9B	
Atlantic St John's wort	<i>Hypericum tenuifolium*</i>						1-2 ft	8A-10B	
Gallberry	<i>Ilex glabra</i>						6-10 ft	8A-10B	
Florida anise	<i>Illicium floridanum</i>						8-12 ft	8A-9B	
Yellow anise	<i>Illicium parviflorum</i>						8-20 ft	8A-10A	
Sweetspire	<i>Itea virginica</i>						3-8 ft	8A-10B	
Wild sage	<i>Lantana involucrata</i>						3-5 ft	8B-11	
Doghobble	<i>Leucothoe axillaris</i>						2-4 ft	8A-9B	
Gopher apple	<i>Licania michauxii</i>						1 ft	8A-11	
Christmasberry	<i>Lycium carolinianum</i>						3-10 ft	8A-11	
Fetterbush	<i>Lyonia lucida</i>						3-8 ft	8A-10B	
Salt-and-pepper	<i>Melanthera nivea</i>						2-6 ft	8A-11	
Dwarf wax myrtle	<i>Morella cerifera</i>						2-3 ft	8A-10B	
Simpson's stopper	<i>Myrcianthes fragrans</i>						3-20 ft	8A-11	
Wild plumbago	<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i>						1 ft	9B-11	
Wild coffee	<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>						1-8 ft	8B-11	
Jamaican caper	<i>Quadrella jamaicensis</i>						6-14 ft	9B-11	
White indigoberry	<i>Randia aculeata</i>						2-12 ft	10A-11	
Sweet pinxter azalea	<i>Rhododendron canescens*</i>						5-10 ft	8A-9B	
Dwarf palmetto	<i>Sabal minor</i>						6-9 ft	8A-10A	
Saw palmetto	<i>Serenoa repens</i>						3-6 ft	8A-11	
Little blueberry	<i>Vaccinium darrowii*</i>						1-2 ft	8A-10A	
Bloodberry	<i>Varronia globosa</i>						4-6 ft	10A-11	
Walter's viburnum	<i>Viburnum obovatum*</i>						2-12 ft	8A-10A	
Wild lime	<i>Zanthoxylum fagara</i>						5-20 ft	9A-11	

Vines

Common name	Scientific name	Light	Color of bloom	Bloom season	Soil moisture	Evergreen or Deciduous	Hardiness Zone	Pollinator/Bird use
Dutchman's pipe	<i>Aristolochia</i> spp.						8A-10A	
Crossvine	<i>Bignonia capreolata</i>						8A-9B	
Trumpet creeper	<i>Campsis radicans</i>						8A-9B	
Swamp leatherflower	<i>Clematis crispa</i>						8A-9B	
Virgin's bower	<i>Clematis virginiana</i>						8A-9B	
Carolina jessamine	<i>Gelsemium sempervirens</i>						8A-10B	
Beach morning glory	<i>Ipomoea imperati</i>						8A-11	
Blue jacquemontia	<i>Jacquemontia pentanthos</i>						10A-11	
Coral honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>						8A-10B	
Maypop	<i>Passiflora incarnata</i>						8A-10B	
Corkystem passionflower	<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>						8B-11	
Wild allamanda	<i>Pentalinon luteum</i>						10A-11	
Rubbervine	<i>Rhabdadenia biflora</i>						9B-11	
Twinevine	<i>Sarcostemma clausum</i>						9B-11	
Climbing aster	<i>Symphyotrichum carolinianum</i>						8A-11	
American wisteria	<i>Wisteria frutescens</i>						8A-9B	

Grasses and Grass-like Plants

Common name	Scientific name	Light	Color of bloom	Bloom season	Soil moisture	Height	Hardiness Zone	Pollinator/Bird use
Chalky bluestem	<i>Andropogon virginicus</i>					2-3 ft	8A-10B	
Wiregrass	<i>Aristida stricta</i> var. <i>beyrichiana</i>					1 ft	8A-10B	
Upland river oats	<i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i>					2-3 ft	8A-8B	
Toothachegrass	<i>Ctenium aromaticum</i>					1-2 ft	8A-10A	
Spikerush	<i>Eleocharis</i> spp.					1-3 ft	8A-10B	cover
Scouring rush	<i>Equisetum hyemale</i>		n/a	n/a		1-4 ft	8A-10B	cover
Elliott's lovegrass	<i>Eragrostis elliotti</i> *					2-3 ft	8A-11	
Button rattlesnakemaster	<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>					2-3 ft	8A-10A	
Soft rush	<i>Juncus effusus</i>					2-4 ft	8A-10B	cover, nesting material
Muhlygrass	<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>					2-4 ft	8A-11	
Britton's beargrass	<i>Nolina brittoniana</i>					1-2 ft	8A-9B	
Starrush whitetop	<i>Rhynchospora colorata</i>					1-2 ft	8A-10B	
Little bluestem	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>					5 ft	8A-9B	
Blue-eyed grass	<i>Sisyrinchium angustifolium</i>					6-12 in	8A-11	
Lopsided Indiangrass	<i>Sorghastrum secundum</i>					4 ft	8A-11	
Sand cordgrass	<i>Spartina bakeri</i>					3-5 ft	8A-10B	
Pineywoods dropseed	<i>Sporobolus junceus</i>					1 ft	8A-10B	
Tall redtop	<i>Tridens flavus</i>					3 ft	8A-10B	
Eastern gammagrass	<i>Tripsacum dactyloides</i>					4-8 ft	8A-10B	
Florida gammagrass	<i>Tripsacum floridanum</i>					2-3 ft	8A-10B	
Sea oats	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>					3-6 ft	8A-11	
Adam's needle	<i>Yucca filamentosa</i>					2 ft	8A-10B	