

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. Regional use Plant is suitable for use in (N)orth, (C)entral or (S)outh Florida landscapes. 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 native wildflower seeds, visit www.FloridaWildflowers.com.

Wildflowers

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

Shrubs

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

Vines

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

Grasses and Grass-like Plants

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