



DRAGONFLY GARDENS

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Full Sun
Medium to Medium Wet Soil
Meadow

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	Flowers	Ht.	Moisture	Light	Description	2" Pot	4" Pot	6" Pot +
Wildflowers								
<i>Allium cernuum</i> Nodding Wild Onion	Pink July to Sept	12-18"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Nodding 2" flower clusters above thin, wispy stems. Edible flower bulbs.	.	.	
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> Swamp Milkweed	Lavender June to Aug	36-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Showy plant of moist to wet habitats. Host plant for monarch butterflies, very good nectar source for butterflies and hummingbirds. Great for lake edges.	.	.	
<i>Aster laevis</i> Smooth Aster	Blue July to Oct	24-36"	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Very showy vibrant blue-flowered perennial. Several cultivated varieties exist, attesting to its beauty. Great butterfly plant and cutflower.	.	.	
<i>Aster lateriflorus</i> Calico Aster	White Aug to Oct	24"	MD, M, MW	Full sun to shade	Good for short-height restorations in a variety of soil and light conditions. It is an abundant late-season food source for bees.	.	.	
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i> New England Aster	Blue Aug to Oct	36-60"	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Nice perennial for moist to wet habitats. Commonly used as a garden perennial and for wet lake-edge plantings. Nectar source for butterflies.	.	.	
<i>Aster umbellatus</i> Flat-topped Aster	White July to Aug	30-42"	M, MW, W	full sun to full shade	White heads held in a broad terminal cluster. Common plant of moist to wet lake edges and moist to mesic forests. Great butterfly plant and cutflower. Ranges throughout MN and WI.	.	.	
<i>Baptisia alba</i> White Wild Indigo	White June to Aug	30-42"	D, MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Legume of moist to wet prairies and lake edges. Attractive foliage and flowers followed by pods. Nice in perennial gardens.	.	.	
<i>Baptisia australis</i> Blue False Indigo	Blue June to July	30-42"	M, MW	full to part sun	Stately perennial with glossy foliage and beautiful sky blue flower clusters. Excellent garden perennial. Native south of our range but tough enough for restorations here in NW WI.	.	.	
<i>Campanula americana</i> Tall Bellflower	Blue July to Oct	36-60"	MD, M, MW	part sun to part shade	A biennial so grows quickly and flowers the first or second year and then self-seeds. Tall spires of violet-blue flowers good for quick color in partially shaded restorations and a variety of soil conditions except very dry.	.		
<i>Chelone glabra</i> Turtlehead	White July to Oct	24-36"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Spikes of showy turtle-shaped flowers atop glossy dark green foliage. Nice for gardens and lake edge restorations. Widespread in MN and WI.	.		
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i> Purple Coneflower	Purple July to Aug	36-48"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Spectacular display of broad-headed purple daisies. Great for restorations and perennial gardens.	.	.	
<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i> Rattlesnake Master	White July to Oct	36-48"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Exotic-looking plant that resembles a desert yucca. Bristly white heads and whitish foliage make it a great background perennial as well as a tough fast grower for restorations.	.	.	
<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i> Spotted Joe-Pye Weed	Purple July to Sept	48-60"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Good lake edge perennial with broad flat-topped clusters of purple heads. Excellent butterfly plant. Ranges throughout MN and WI.	.	.	
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> Boneset	White June to Aug	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Nice lake edge plants with flat-topped cluster of white heads. Very nice purplish foliage with opposite fused leaves. Used medicinally to hasten healing of bones. Ranges throughout MN and WI.	.		
<i>Euthamia graminifolia</i> Grass-leaved Goldenrod	Yellow July to Sept	30-48"	MD, M, MW, W	Full sun	This plant is not really a goldenrod but is an excellent source of pollen for bees. Can be somewhat spreading and aggressive but is very adaptable to a variety of soil moisture conditions and good for restorations.	.	.	
<i>Fragaria vesca</i> Woodland Strawberry	White May to June	6-10"	MD, M, MW	full sun to shade	Attractive groundcover that grows rapidly. A must for the woodland restoration. Sweet tasting red fruits in June are a bonus. Ranges throughout the world in northern latitudes including all of MN and WI.		3"	

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<i>Fragaria virginiana</i> Wild Strawberry	White May to June	6"	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to shade	Stoloniferous spreading groundcover bears delicious fruit. Found throughout MN and WI ranging from prairies to forests. Widely adapted to dry, moist or even wet soils.	•	•	
<i>Helenium autumnale</i> Sneezeweed	Yellow July to Oct	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to shade	Sneezeweed won't make you sneeze - it was used as an expectorant by Native Americans. Gaillardia -like heads in abundance. Good butterfly plant.	•		
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> False/Early Sunflower	Yellow June to Oct	48-60"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Widespread on dry to wet soils. Long flowering period. Suited to all but very shady restoration sites. Commonly used as a garden perennial.	•	•	
<i>Iris versicolor</i> Northern Blue Flag Iris	Blue June to July	24-36"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Common on lake margins throughout northern WI and MN. Very attractive, forming large clumps. Some consider this to be synonymous with <i>Iris virginica</i> .	•	•	
<i>Liatris ligulistylis</i> Northern Plains Blazing Star	Purple July to Aug	36-60"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Rosy heads appear in abundance on tall spikes. Beautiful plant among the best to attract butterflies. OK on wet and dry soils.	•	•	
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> Thick Spike Blazing Star	Purple July to Sept	36-60"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Dense purple spikes. Good for moist and wet restoration sites. Very showy, good butterfly plant. Ranges throughout prairie regions of MN and WI.	•	•	•
<i>Liatris spicata</i> Marsh Blazing Star	Purple July to Aug	36-60"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Most common liatris for perennial gardening. Grows well in any condition. Perfect pollinator plant. Native into SE WI. Moist to wet soils.	•	•	
<i>Lilium michiganense</i> Michigan Lily	Orange June to Aug	36-60"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Orange flowers with black spots make this rare native lily very similar to the classic garden Turk's Cap Lily.		3"	
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> Cardinal Flower	Red July to Oct	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Showy spikes of red flowers are the best for attracting hummingbirds. Suited to moist soils particularly along waterways. Native through most of WI.	•	•	
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> Great Blue Lobelia	Blue July to Oct	20-30"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Widely adapted to wet and moist soils. Vivid blue and white-striped flowers in terminal spikes. Compact and well suited to perennial gardens.	•	•	
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i> Bergamot	Lavender July to Aug	36-48"	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	One of the most common and widespread native wildflowers. Good in herbal teas. Used medicinally by Native Americans. Moist to dry soils.	•	•	
<i>Physostegia virginiana</i> Obedient Plant	Pink July to Oct	24-36"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Popular garden perennial native to moist prairies, lakeside and streamside wetlands.	•		
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> Orange Coneflower	Orange- Yellow July to Oct	24-36"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Beautiful compact coneflower with deep green foliage and 3" orange-yellow heads with brown centers. Parent of 'goldsturm', one of the most popular garden perennials.	•	•	
<i>Rudbeckia subtomentosa</i> Sweet Black Eyed Susan	Yellow July to Sept	24-36"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Very attractive yellow heads in profusion atop deep green glossy leaves. Good for restorations and perennial gardens. Native into SW WI.	•	•	•
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i> Brown Eyed Susan	Yellow July to Oct	24-36"	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Outstanding coneflower with numerous heads which are smaller than other species, but more abundant. Very nice foliage. Should be grown more widely in perennial beds. Mesic to wet soils.	•	•	
<i>Solidago rigida</i> Stiff Goldenrod	Yellow Aug to Sept	36-48"	D, MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Another goldenrod worthy of growing for its very attractive foliage. Topped with a broad, flat cluster of yellow heads. Adapted to mesic and moist soils. Good garden perennial.	•	•	
<i>Verbena hastata</i> Blue Vervain	Blue June to Sept	48-60"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Tall spikes of blue flowers really attract butterflies. Great for shoreland restorations on mesic to saturated soils. Throughout MN and WI.	•		
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i> Ironweed	Rose-Pink July to Sept	48-60"	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Broad, flat clusters of pink heads to 5" across. Very attractive to butterflies. Good in moist to wet soils for lake edge landscaping. Wide ranging in MN and WI.	•	•	
<i>Veronicastrum virginianum</i> Culver's Root	White June to Sept	36-60"	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Several tall showy spikes on top of each stem make this an excellent tall garden perennial. Attracts butterflies. Good in most soils except extremely dry.	•	•	
<i>Zizia aurea</i> Golden Alexanders	Yellow May to July	18-30"	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Early-flowering plant of mesic to moist habitats with 3" flat-topped heads of yellow flowers. Seed heads that follow are attractive throughout the year.	•	•	

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Grasses, sedges, and rushes								
<i>Andropogon gerardii</i> Big Bluestem	Purplish Green July to Sept	36- 72+"	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	One of the most dominant tall prairie grasses. Purplish foliage creates a nice effect along with turkey-foot-like flower head. Dry to moist habitats.	•		
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i> Blue Joint Reedgrass	Straw July to Aug	36-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Fine-leaved grass forms a dense cover on lake margins. One of the grasses displaced by reed canary grass and a good one to plant after nuking RCG. Purplish foliage.	•		
<i>Carex bebbii</i> Bebb's Sedge	Green May to June	24-36"	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Forms dense clumps on moist to saturated soil. Very common in most wetland areas throughout MN and WI.	•		
<i>Carex bicknellii</i> Bicknell's Sedge	Tan May to June	12-24"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Sedge adapted to habitats ranging from dry to moist, usually on rocky, gravelly soil. Forms nice clumps. Found throughout southern 2/3 of MN and WI.	•		
<i>Carex comosa</i> Bottlebrush Sedge	Green May to June	24-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Beautiful clumps of yellowish stems on lake margins. Nodding flower spikes look like a bottlebrush. Excellent for restorations and water gardens.	•		
<i>Carex crinita</i> Caterpillar Sedge	Green May to June	30-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Clump-forming. 4" nodding spikes resemble a caterpillar. Very nice for wet site restorations and for water gardens. Excellent for control of shoreland erosion.	•		
<i>Carex gracillima</i> Graceful Sedge	Green May to June	18-30"	MW, W	full sun to full shade	Clump forming plant of mesic to moist forests throughout MN and WI. Attractive nodding flower spikes.	•	•	
<i>Carex hystricina</i> Porcupine Sedge	Green May to June	24-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Very similar to <i>Carex comosa</i> . Very attractive plants for shoreland restorations and water gardening.	•		
<i>Carex lupulina</i> Hop Sedge	Green May to June	24-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Flower spikes resemble hops clusters. Stout-stemmed clump former of a wide variety of wet habitats, including shady swamps. Very good for shady rain gardens.	•		
<i>Carex stipata</i> Awl Fruit Sedge	Green May to June	16-40"	MW, W	full sun to full shade	Common, coarse clump forming sedge found in a wide variety of wet habitats throughout MN and WI. Very good fast grower. Shade tolerant species.	•		
<i>Carex stricta</i> Tussock Sedge	Green May to June	24-36"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Forms dense clumps of closely clustered fine stems in a variety of wetlands and lake margins. Good shoreland and water garden plant.	•		
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i> Fox Sedge	Green May to June	18-30"	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Beautiful clump-forming sedge of lake and wetland margins. Very attractive multi-tiered flower spikes persist through the summer and into the fall.	•	•	
<i>Glyceria striata</i> Fowl Manna Grass	Green July to Aug	24-36"	M, MW, W	full sun to full shade	Low clump forming grass common next to small pools in swamps, in moist to seasonally wet forests, and along waterways.	•		
<i>Juncus effusus</i> Soft Rush	Brown July to Aug	24-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Deep green wirey stems in large clumps along waterways and in a variety of wetlands. Evergreen plants remain attractive into winter.	•		
<i>Juncus tenuis</i> Path Rush	Brown June to July	to 16"	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Very common, widespread plant of wet places throughout MN and WI. Nice for restoration site margins. Easy to grow. Forms attractive clumps.	•		
<i>Panicum virgatum</i> Switch Grass	Purple June to Oct	36-48"	D, MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Fast growing clump former with attractive open inflorescence. Suited to soils ranging from mesic to wet. Good for steep banks and slopes.	•		
<i>Spartina pectinata</i> Prairie Cordgrass	Yellow Aug to Oct	48-72"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Rhizomatous grass forming large clumps in sandy soil, usually near the water table, but sometimes under dry conditions. Common shoreland plant in northern WI and MN.	•		

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Shrubs								
<i>Amelanchier laevis</i> Serviceberry / Juneberry	White April to May	to 12'	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	One of the earliest flowering shrubs. Stays lower with pruning. Bears bluish purple berries that are edible and attractive to wildlife. Dry to moist soils.			•
<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i> Chokeberry	White May	to 6'	MD, M, MW, W	full to part sun	Very attractive spreading shrub. Nice clusters of white flowers followed by black berries. Deep red fall foliage. Excellent for wet lake edge plantings. Mesic to wet soil.			•
<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> Buttonbush	White July to Aug	4-8'	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Unique tropical-looking shrub with glossy foliage and attractive flower clusters in summer. Native range limited to southeastern MN and southwestern WI.			•
<i>Comptonia peregrina</i> Sweet Fern	Brown April to May	1-2'	D, MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Very cool low shrub with serrated elongate leaves that look like fern leaflets. Very pleasant, fragrant spicy foliage had a number of traditional medicinal uses. One of the most under-rated native shrubs.			•
<i>Cornus alternifolia</i> Pagoda Dogwood	White May to June	to 16'	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Very attractive shrub with arching leaves that give the appearance of a giant bonsai. Perfect for the Japanese garden as well as habitat restoration or foundation plantings. Wide ranging in MN and WI.			•
<i>Cornus sericea</i> (<i>stolonifera</i>) Red Osier Dogwood	White May to Aug	to 6'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Very common in wetlands along lakes, streams, and rivers, particularly in the north. Red stems are beautiful in the winter. Mesic to wet soils.			•
<i>Corylus americanus</i> Hazelnut	Purple March to April	6-8'	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Growing in popularity as landscape plant due to attractive foliage and fall color. Tolerates dry to wet soils and shade to sun. Very good, fast grower.			•
<i>Ilex verticillata</i> Winterberry Holly	Greenish June	to 6'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Gorgeous in winter. Female plants bear numerous red berries along stems. Excellent lake edge species, but also tolerates most upland soils. Plant at least four to ensure proper sex			•
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i> Wild Elderberry	White June to July	6-12'	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Fast-growing shrub tolerant of mesic to wet soils. White flower clusters are followed by deep purple berries. Very attractive and good in jam and wine.			•
<i>Spiraea alba</i> Meadowsweet	White June to Aug	3-4'	MW, W	full to part sun	Shrub that frequents lake margins on soil ranging from sand to peat and saturated to moderately dry. Very fast growing for habitat restoration. Great butterfly plant.			•
<i>Spiraea tomentosa</i> Steeplebush	Pink July to Aug	2.5- 3.5'	MW, W	full to part sun	Shrub of lake margins ranging from sandy to peaty. Beautiful tall spikes of pink flowers above attractive foliage. Fast growing for shoreland restoration. Good butterfly plant.			•
<i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i> Lowbush Blueberry	White May to June	6-18"	MD, M, MW	full sun to shade	Yummy, fruit-producing, sprawling plants that grow in a range of habitats ranging from dry, sandy pine barrens to saturated peatlands. Wide-ranging in MN and WI.			•
<i>Viburnum dentatum</i> Arrowwood Viburnum	White June	10-12'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Glossy green toothed leaves. Dark purple berries in summer. Nice tall shrub for shoreland planting or as a hedge. Mesic to wet soils.			•
<i>Viburnum lentago</i> Nannyberry	White June	10-15'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Tall shrub with excellent purple fall foliage. Blue-black berries are very tasty fresh or in jam. Great bird cover and forage. Mesic to wet soils.			•
<i>Viburnum trilobum</i> Highbush Cranberry	White June	10-12'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Forms tall dense clusters with maple-like lobed leaves. Broad clusters of flowers followed by red berries that persist through winter for beauty and birds.			•
Trees								
<i>Acer rubrum</i> Red Maple	Red April to May	to 50'	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Mid- to late successional tree, mostly of the northwoods but also into the deciduous forests of central WI and southern MN. Nice fall color, dry to moist soil.			•
<i>Acer saccharum</i> Sugar Maple	Yellow April to May	50-75'	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Dominant climax (late successional) tree of deciduous forests throughout the region. Best for maple sugaring. Mesic to moist soils.			•
<i>Betula nigra</i> River Birch	Brown April to May	60-90'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Cinnamon to reddish peeling bark. Long lived and disease resistant. A very nice tree for shoreland restorations on mesic to wet soils.			•
<i>Betula papyrifera</i> Paper Birch	Brown April to May	to 80'	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Loved for its white, peeling bark. Gorgeous in clumps on soils ranging from dry to wet. Widely adapted, found throughout the region.			•

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<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> Blue Beech/ Musclewood	Green May to June	10-25'	M, MW	full sun to full shade	Tall shrub to small tree with unique rippled wood that resembles striated muscle. Branches tend to go up and out horizontally like an umbrella. Very nice in the landscape.			•
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i> Hackberry	Green May	to 60'	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Highly adaptable to a variety of soil conditions and urban pollution, this tree is being used more and more as a street/boulevard tree. Very unique corky bark and an open upright spreading form similar to elms.			•
<i>Ostrya virginiana</i> Ironwood/ Hophornbeam	Yellow May to June	15-50'	MD, M, MW	full sun to shade	Slender small tree of sugar maple/basswood forests. Attractive platey bark and very hard wood. Inconspicuous flowers give rise to a hop-like cluster of fruits that persist into			•
<i>Pinus strobus</i> Eastern White Pine	none	100- 150'	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Fast-growing, long-lived pine which brought the first wave of European loggers to the area. Beautiful in the landscape. Tolerant to soils from wet to dry.			•
<i>Quercus alba</i> White Oak	Green June	to 75'	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Ornamental hardwood valued for its timber and acorn production. Common throughout the region on moist to dry soils.			•
<i>Quercus bicolor</i> Swamp White Oak	Yellow- Green May	50-60'	MD, M, MW, W	full sun	More tolerant of wet soils than any other oak, it also adapts well as a boulevard or shade tree in your average yard. Very similar to White Oak.			•
<i>Quercus borealis</i> Northern Red oak	Green June	to 80'	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Rapidly growing ornamental hardwood. Best oak for beautiful red fall color. Tolerates moist to dry soils, long-lived.			•
<i>Quercus ellipsoidalis</i> Northern Pin Oak	Green June	to 75'	D, MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Pioneer species growing following stand removal through fire or logging. Attractive deeply divided leaves and small acorns in abundance. Particularly adapted to dry soils.			•
<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> Bur Oak	Green June	70-80'	D, MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Climax tree species in drier forested areas across the region. Stately, spreading trees common in savannas. Acorns with distinct fringed cap.			•
<i>Sorbus decora</i> Showy Mountain Ash	White June to July	10-30'	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Abundant bright red berries develop in late summer and persist into winter. Berries are loved by birds.			•
<i>Thuja occidentalis</i> Eastern White Cedar	none	to 50'	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Tree from which many ornamental Arbor Vitae shrubs are selected. Forms an attractive pyramid-shaped tree. Good evergreen privacy screen. Valuable wildlife cover.			•
<i>Tilia americana</i> American Linden	Yellow June	to 80'	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	A handsome ornamental shade tree commonly found growing alongside maples in Wisconsin's northern deciduous forests.			•

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