



# DRAGONFLY GARDENS

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Pollinator Rain Garden  
Full Sun to Part Shade  
Moist Soil, Woodland Edge  
Medium to Tall Height

AVAILABILITY, SIZE and PRICE subject to change.

	Flowers	Ht.	Moisture	Light	Description	2" Pot	4" Pot	6" Pot +
<b>Wildflowers</b>								
<i>Anemone canadensis</i> Canada Anemone	White May to July	12-24"	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Fine, showy clump-forming plant of mesic to moist prairies, forest margins and woodlands.	•		
<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 puniceus</i> Swamp Aster	Purple Aug to Oct	36-56"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Common, showy aster of lake edges, swamps, bogs, and fens. Occurs throughout MN and WI.	•		
<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>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>Eupatorium purpureum</i> Purple Joe Pye Weed	Purple July to Sept	48-72"	MD, M, MW	part sun to shade	Moist to moderately dry savannas and forests through southern 2/3 of WI and eastern 1/2 of MN. Attractive broad clusters of purple heads. Excellent for attracting butterflies.	•	•	
<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>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>Rudbeckia triloba</i> Brown Eyed Susan	Yellow July to Oct	36-60"	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>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.	•	•	
<b>Grasses, sedges, and rushes</b>								
<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 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>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.	•		

D= Dry, MD = Medium Dry, M = Mesic, MW = Medium Wet, W = Wet