

This brochure features plants in three categories: Texas Superstars, Native Plants and General Pollinators.

Texas Superstars: Only the toughest, most reliable and best-looking plants make the cut of Superstars. These plants undergo years of field studies. They must super-perform under Texas growing conditions. They receive minimal soil preparation, reasonable levels of water and no pesticides.

Native Plants: Native plants are drought-tolerant, naturally conserving our precious water resources. They provide vital habitat and food for birds, butterflies, bees and other wildlife. Native plants do not need special pampering or fertilizing and are natural to their ecosystem.

General Pollinators: These are other common plants to the area that support our pollinators.

Visit our webpage for more in-depth information on these and additional plants!

TEXAS NATIVE PLANTS



Texas Lantana (*Lantana urticoides*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 2-3 ft. Plant: Spring. Well-drained sandy or loamy soil. Blooms spring thru fall. Heat and drought tolerant. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Bee Balm (*Monarda fistulosa*) Perennial. Full sun to partial shade. Height: 2-4 ft. Plant: Spring. Tolerates most soils. Blooms May thru September. Drought tolerant and deer resistant. Attract bees, birds, butterflies, hummingbirds.



Butterfly Milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 1-2 ft. Plant: Spring. Sand, loam, clay, limestone, well-drained, moist, and dry soils. Blooms May thru September. It is droughttolerant. Attracts butterflies, bees, hummingbirds.

Do not buy Tropical Milkweed. This plant spreads diseases that make Monarchs sick!



Gregg's Mistflower (*Conoclinium greggi*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 12-24". Plant: Spring, summer or fall. Adapts to most soils. Blooms spring thru fall. Deer resistant and drought tolerant. Attracts butterflies, bees, nectar insects.



Turk's Cap (*Malvaviscus arboreus*) Perennial. Sun, partial shade or shade. Height: 2-6 ft. Plant: Spring. Sand, clay, limestone, well-drained, moist or dry soils. Blooms summer thru fall. Drought tolerant and deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, birds, hummingbirds.



Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*) Perennial. Full sun to partial shade. Height: 18-24" Plant: Spring or fall. Adapts to sand, loam, clay, limestone soils. Drought tolerant. Deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, birds, hummingbirds, bees.



Gulf Muhly (*Muhlenbergia capillaris*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 1-3 ft. Plant: Spring. Adapts to most soils. Blooms in fall. Drought tolerant and deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, birds, small mammals. Hosts the larva of the Orange Skipperling.

GARDENER'S GUIDE TO OUR FAVORITE PLANTS OF EAST TEXAS



Trained volunteers who provide horticultural information and help the citizens of Wood County, working through the Wood County Extension Office



For more detailed information, please visit :

<http://txmg.org/woodcounty/files/2025/05/Plant-Trifold.pdf>

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TEXAS SUPERSTARS



Fall Zinnias (*Zinnia x marylandica*, *Zinnia hybrida*, & *Zinnia elegans*) Annual. Full sun. Height: 12–18". Plant: Late summer to early fall. Adaptable to soil type if well-drained. Heat tolerant. Blooms in fall. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Texas Bluebonnet (*Lupinus texensis*) Annual. Full sun. Height: 12–24". Plant: Fall. Well-drained soil. Blooms March to May. Deer resistant. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Vinca Cora® Series (*Catharanthus roseus*) Annual. Full sun or semi-shade. Height: 14–18" Plant: Late spring to summer. Adaptable to most soils. Drought and heat tolerant, good soil drainage, regular water. Blooms spring thru fall. Deer resistant. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Dwarf Mexican Petunia (*Ruellia brittoniana*-Various dwarf cultivars) Perennial. Full and partial sun. Height: 6–8". Plant: Spring to summer. Adapts to most soils with moderate drainage. Drought tolerant. Blooms spring thru fall. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Butterfly Deep Pink Pentas (*Pentas lanceolata*) Annual. Full sun to partial shade. Height: 24". Plant: Spring. Adapts to most soils, well-drained. Heat and pest tolerant. Blooms summer to fall. Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds.



Henry Duelberg Salvia (*Salvia farinacea*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 3 ft. Plant: Spring or fall. Adapts to most soil types. Tolerates heat well and is deer resistant. Blooms spring until first frost. Attracts bees, butterflies.



Texas Gold Columbine (*Aquilegia chrysantha* var. *hinckleyana* "Texas Gold") Perennial. Full sun in fall, shade in summer. Height: 18–24". Plant: Spring. Well-drained soil, medium water. Blooms spring. Deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, bees.



John Fanick Perennial Phlox (*Phlox paniculata* :John Fanick") Perennial. Full sun. Height: 24–36". Plant: Spring. Well-drained soil. Heat & drought resistant. Blooms summer and fall. Attracts bees, butterflies.

GENERAL POLLINATOR PLANTS



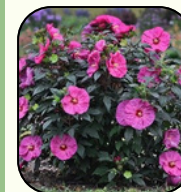
Autumn Sage (*Salvia greggii*) Perennial. Full sun. Height: 3 ft. Plant: Spring. Well-drained soil. Blooms spring thru fall. Drought-tolerant, heat resistant, can thrive in dry conditions. Pest and disease resistant. Attracts hummingbirds, butterflies.



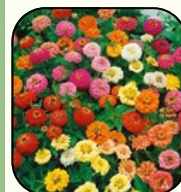
Butterfly Bush (*Buddleia davidii*) Perennial. Full sun, tolerates partial shade. Height: 4–8 ft. Plant: Spring or fall. Variety of soils. Blooms summer-fall. Drought tolerant & deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, bees.



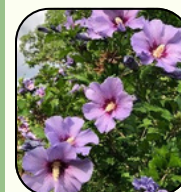
Red Spider Lily (*Lycoris radiata*) Perennial bulb. Sun or partial shade. Height: 1–2 ft. Plant: Late summer or fall. Well-drained, sandy or loam soils. Blooms late summer to fall. Deer resistant. Attracts bees, birds, butterflies.



Hardy Hibiscus Summerific Berry Awesome (*Hibiscus x*) Perennial. Sun or partial sun. Height: 4 ft. Plant: Spring or fall. Well-drained soil. Blooms spring to summer. Deer resistant. Requires regular watering. Attracts butterflies, bees, hummingbirds.



Zinnia (*Zinnia elegans*) Annual. Full sun. Height: 1–3 ft. Plant: Spring. Well-drained soil. Bloom summer thru fall. Deadhead to encourage more blooms. Drought tolerant and deer resistant. Attracts butterflies, bees.



Rose of Sharon (*Hibiscus syriacus*) Perennial. Full or partial sun. Height: 8–12 ft. Plant: Late spring-early summer. Moist, well-drained soil, tolerates any soil. Blooms summer thru fall. Drought & heat tolerant. Deer resistant. Attracts bees, hummingbirds.



Autumn Beauty Sunflower (*Helianthus annuus* "Autumn Beauty") Annual. Full sun. Height: 5–7 ft. Plant: Spring. Well-drained soil. Blooms summer to fall. May need to be staked. Drought tolerant. Protect plant from deer when young. Attracts bees, butterflies and other insects. Attracts birds once seeds mature.