### Perennials

#### violet sage - *Salvia nemorosa 'Caradonna'*

- **Family:** Lamiaceae  
- **Zone:** 4 to 8  
- **Height:** 1.00 to 2.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 1.00 to 2.00 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** June to September  
- **Bloom Description:** Blue-violet

- **Sun:** Full sun  
- **Water:** Dry to medium  
- **Maintenance:** Low  
- **Flower:** Showy  
- **Leaf:** Fragrant  
- **Attracts:** Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Dry Soil, Air Pollution

#### prairie phlox - *Phlox pilosa*

- **Family:** Polemoniaceae  
- **Native Range:** Eastern Texas  
- **Zone:** 4 to 9  
- **Height:** 1.00 to 1.50 feet  
- **Spread:** 1.00 to 1.50 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** May to July  
- **Bloom Description:** Pink to pale purple

- **Sun:** Full sun  
- **Water:** Medium  
- **Maintenance:** Medium  
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize  
- **Flower:** Showy, Fragrant  
- **Attracts:** Hummingbirds, Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Clay Soil

#### blazing star - *Liatris spicata*

- **Family:** Asteraceae  
- **Native Range:** Eastern United States  
- **Zone:** 3 to 8  
- **Height:** 2.00 to 4.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 0.75 to 1.50 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** July to August  
- **Bloom Description:** Red-purple

- **Sun:** Full sun  
- **Water:** Medium  
- **Maintenance:** Low  
- **Suggested Use:** Rain Garden  
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut, Good Dried  
- **Attracts:** Birds, Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Drought, Clay Soil

#### golden alexander - *Zizia aurea*

- **Family:** Apiaceae  
- **Native Range:** Eastern Canada to southern United States  
- **Zone:** 3 to 8  
- **Height:** 1.50 to 3.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 1.50 to 2.00 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** May to June  
- **Bloom Description:** Yellow

- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade  
- **Water:** Medium  
- **Maintenance:** Medium  
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize, Rain Garden  
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut  
- **Attracts:** Butterflies
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## showy goldenrod - *Solidago speciosa*

| Family: Asteraceae | Sun: Full sun |
| Native Range: Central and eastern United States | Water: Dry to medium |
| Zone: 3 to 8 | Maintenance: Medium |
| Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet | Suggested Use: Naturalize |
| Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet | Flower: Showy |
| Bloom Time: July to September | Attracts: Butterflies |
| Bloom Description: Yellow | Tolerate: Deer, Drought, Clay Soil |

## Lady in Black calico aster - *Symphyotrichum lateriflorum 'Lady in Black'*

| Family: Asteraceae | Sun: Full sun |
| Zone: 4 to 8 | Water: Medium |
| Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet | Maintenance: Low |
| Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet | Flower: Showy |
| Bloom Time: September to October | Leaf: Colorful |
| Bloom Description: White rays with rosy centers | Attracts: Butterflies |

## Summer Nights sunflower - *Heliopsis helianthoides 'Summer Nights'*

| Family: Asteraceae | Sun: Full sun |
| Zone: 3 to 9 | Water: Dry to medium |
| Height: 3.00 to 5.00 feet | Maintenance: Low |
| Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet | Flower: Showy |
| Bloom Time: June to September | Leaf: Colorful |
| Bloom Description: Yellow rays with maroon basal petal ring | Attracts: Butterflies |
| Tolerate: Drought, Erosion, Clay Soil, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil |

## foxglove penstemon - *Penstemon digitalis*

| Family: Plantaginaceae | Sun: Full sun |
| Native Range: Eastern and southeastern United States | Water: Dry to medium |
| Zone: 3 to 8 | Maintenance: Medium |
| Height: 3.00 to 5.00 feet | Suggested Use: Naturalize, Rain Garden |
| Spread: 1.50 to 2.00 feet | Flower: Showy, Good Cut |
| Bloom Time: April to June | Attracts: Birds, Butterflies |
| Bloom Description: White | Tolerate: Deer, Drought, Clay Soil, Dry Soil |
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#### sweet coneflower - *Rudbeckia subtomentosa*
- **Family:** Asteraceae
- **Native Range:** Central United States
- **Zone:** 4 to 8
- **Height:** 3.00 to 5.00 feet
- **Spread:** 1.00 to 2.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** July to October
- **Bloom Description:** Yellow rays and brownish purple center disks
- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade
- **Water:** Medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Suggested Use:** Rain Garden
- **Flower:** Showy, Fragrant, Good Cut
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Clay Soil

#### rattlesnake master - *Eryngium yuccifolium*
- **Family:** Apiaceae
- **Native Range:** United States
- **Zone:** 3 to 8
- **Height:** 4.00 to 5.00 feet
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** June to September
- **Bloom Description:** Greenish-white
- **Sun:** Full sun
- **Water:** Dry to medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Flower:** Showy
- **Tolerate:** Drought, Erosion, Clay Soil, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil

#### purple coneflower - *Echinacea purpurea*
- **Family:** Asteraceae
- **Native Range:** Eastern North America
- **Zone:** 3 to 8
- **Height:** 2.00 to 5.00 feet
- **Spread:** 1.50 to 2.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** June to August
- **Bloom Description:** Purplish pink
- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade
- **Water:** Dry to medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut
- **Attracts:** Birds, Butterflies
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Clay Soil, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil

#### prairie dropseed - *Sporobolus heterolepis*
- **Family:** Poaceae
- **Native Range:** North America
- **Zone:** 3 to 9
- **Height:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** August to October
- **Sun:** Full sun
- **Bloom Description:** Pink and brown-tinted
- **Water:** Dry to medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Suggested Use:** Ground Cover
- **Attracts:** Birds
- **Other:** Winter Interest
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Dry Soil, Black Walnut, Air Pollution
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#### spike gayfeather - *Liatris spicata*
- **Family:** Asteraceae
- **Native Range:** Eastern United States
- **Zone:** 3 to 8
- **Height:** 2.00 to 4.00 feet
- **Spread:** 0.75 to 1.50 feet
- **Bloom Time:** July to August
- **Bloom Description:** Red-purple
- **Sun:** Full sun
- **Water:** Medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Suggested Use:** Rain Garden
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut, Good Dried
- **Attracts:** Birds, Butterflies
- **Tolerate:** Drought, Clay Soil

#### nodding onion - *Allium cernuum*
- **Family:** Amaryllidaceae
- **Native Range:** Canada to Mexico
- **Zone:** 4 to 8
- **Height:** 1.00 to 1.50 feet
- **Spread:** 0.25 to 0.50 feet
- **Bloom Time:** June to August
- **Bloom Description:** Pink
- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade
- **Water:** Dry to medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize
- **Flower:** Showy
- **Leaf:** Fragrant
- **Attracts:** Butterflies
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil, Black Walnut

#### wild senna - *Senna marilandica*
- **Family:** Fabaceae
- **Native Range:** Midwestern and southeastern United States
- **Zone:** 4 to 9
- **Height:** 3.00 to 6.00 feet
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** July to August
- **Bloom Description:** Yellow
- **Sun:** Full sun
- **Water:** Medium
- **Maintenance:** Low
- **Flower:** Showy
- **Fruit:** Showy
- **Tolerate:** Clay Soil

#### October Skies aster - *Symphyotrichum oblongifolium 'October Skies'*
- **Family:** Asteraceae
- **Zone:** 3 to 8
- **Height:** 1.50 to 2.00 feet
- **Spread:** 1.50 to 2.00 feet
- **Bloom Time:** August to October
- **Bloom Description:** Dark sky blue
- **Sun:** Full sun
- **Water:** Dry to medium
- **Maintenance:** Medium
- **Suggested Use:** Ground Cover
- **Flower:** Showy
- **Leaf:** Fragrant
- **Attracts:** Butterflies
- **Tolerate:** Drought, Erosion, Clay Soil, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil

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#### scarlet beebalm - *Monarda didyma*
- **Family:** Lamiaceae  
- **Native Range:** Canada, United States  
- **Zone:** 4 to 9  
- **Height:** 2.00 to 4.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** July to August  
- **Bloom Description:** Red  
- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade  
- **Water:** Medium to wet  
- **Maintenance:** Medium  
- **Suggested Use:** Herb, Naturalize, Rain Garden  
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut  
- **Leaf:** Fragrant  
- **Attracts:** Birds, Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Rabbit, Deer, Clay Soil, Wet Soil, Black Walnut

#### lanceleaf coreopsis - *Coreopsis lanceolata*
- **Family:** Asteraceae  
- **Native Range:** North America  
- **Zone:** 4 to 9  
- **Height:** 1.00 to 2.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 1.00 to 1.50 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** May to July  
- **Bloom Description:** Yellow  
- **Sun:** Full sun  
- **Water:** Dry to medium  
- **Maintenance:** Medium  
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize  
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Cut  
- **Attracts:** Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Drought, Dry Soil, Shallow-Rocky Soil

#### white false indigo - *Baptisia alba*
- **Family:** Fabaceae  
- **Native Range:** Southeastern United States  
- **Zone:** 5 to 8  
- **Height:** 2.00 to 4.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 2.50 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** April to May  
- **Bloom Description:** White  
- **Sun:** Full sun to part shade  
- **Water:** Dry to medium  
- **Maintenance:** Low  
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize  
- **Flower:** Showy, Good Dried  
- **Attracts:** Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Drought, Erosion, Dry Soil

#### swamp milkweed - *Asclepias incarnata*
- **Family:** Apocynaceae  
- **Native Range:** Northeastern and southeastern United States  
- **Zone:** 3 to 6  
- **Height:** 4.00 to 5.00 feet  
- **Spread:** 2.00 to 3.00 feet  
- **Bloom Time:** July to August  
- **Bloom Description:** White, pink  
- **Sun:** Full sun  
- **Water:** Medium to wet  
- **Maintenance:** Low  
- **Suggested Use:** Naturalize  
- **Flower:** Showy, Fragrant  
- **Attracts:** Butterflies  
- **Tolerate:** Deer, Clay Soil, Wet Soil

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