

# Attracting Pollinators to Your Garden

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## The Simple Message

- Plant more natives
- Avoid chemicals
- Remove invasives

## Changes in management

- Talk to your neighbors, connect habitats,
- Recognize the value of mature trees
- Identify weeds and their uses
- Plant in masses

## Don't put your garden to sleep

- It's beautiful
- Downed leaves are habitat for caterpillars and salamanders
- Herbaceous stems are habitat for bees
- Seeds are bird food

## Floral patterns in pollinator attraction

	Bees	Butterflies	Moths	Hummingbirds	Oriels
Blue	√				
Red		√		√	
Yellow	√	√			
Pink		√		√	
Orange		√			√
White			√		
Scented	√		√		
Broad shape	√				
Tubular shape		√		√	√

## Top Plants for Pollinators

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### Top 5 Trees

*Acer rubrum* (Red maple)

*Betula nigra* (River birch)

*Prunus serotina* (Black cherry)

*Quercus alba* (White oak)

*Sassafras albidum* (Sassafras)

### Top 5 Shrubs

*Aronia arbutifolia* (Chokeberry)

*Lindera benzoin* (Spicebush)

*Rubus odoratus* (Flowering raspberry)

*Swida sericea* (Red osier dogwood)

*Vaccinium corymbosum* (High bush blueberry)

### Top 10 Standing Perennials

*Asclepias incarnata* (Swamp milkweed)

*Baptisia tinctoria* (Yellow wild indigo)

*Chelone glabra* (White turtlehead)

*Eutrochium purpureum* (Joe Pye weed)

*Helenium autumnale* (Sneezeweed)

*Helianthus divaricatus* (Woodland sunflower)

*Monarda fistulosa* (Wild bergamot)

*Penstemon digitalis* (Foxglove beardtongue)

*Solidago caesia* (Axillary goldenrod)

*Symphotrichum laeve* (Smooth aster)

### Top 5 Groundcovers

*Antennaria plantaginifolia* (Parlin's pussytoes)

*Carex pensylvanica* (Pennsylvania sedge)

*Fragaria virginiana* (Wild strawberry)

*Maianthemum canadense* (Canada mayflower)

*Phlox stolonifera* (Creeping phlox)