

A Native Pollinator Garden for the Central Finger Lakes Region



This information has been provided by the Finger Lakes Native Plant Society, from a 2019 handout.

This garden plan includes these native plant species. Keep in mind that a pollinator garden need not include only show and attractive plants for nectar and pollen feeders. Plants that provide habitat and nest materials for caterpillars of moth and butterfly species are equally important. Other native violets and grasses and all milkweeds are interchangeable. Soil conditions may favor one over the other, i.e., butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) prefers well-drained soils.)

	As pictured	Alternatives
A (1 plant)	<i>Eutrochium</i> spp. Joe-Pye weed	<i>Pycnanthemum</i> spp. Mountain mint
B (6 plants)	<i>Allium cernuum</i> Nodding wild onion	<i>Packera aurea</i> Golden ragwort
C (2 plants)	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i> Wild bergamot	<i>Chelone glabra</i> Turtlehead
D (2 plants)	<i>Panicum virgatum</i> * Switch grass	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> * Little bluestem
E (2 plants)	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i> * Common milkweed	<i>Monarda didyma</i> Scarlet bee balm
F (3 plants)	<i>Zizia aurea</i> Golden Alexanders	<i>Penstemon hirsutus</i> Hairy beardtongue
G (7 plants)	<i>Viola sororia</i> * Common blue violet	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> Wild columbine