



Native Wildflowers for New England Meadows

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Perennial Wildflowers ^a	Common Name	Bloom Period						Flower Color	Height	Photo key	Best Use			Native to NE States ^b						
		May	June	July	August	Sept.	October				Garden Use	Meadow from Seed	Meadow from Plugs	CT	MA	ME	NH	RI	VT	
<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	Lavender Hyssop			X	X	X		purple	3'	1	x	x		x				x		
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Red Columbine	X	X					red	3'	2	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	Common Milkweed		X	X	X			purple	5'		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly milkweed		X	X	X			orange	2'	3	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Baptisia australis</i>	Blue Wild Indigo		X	X				blue	3'		x				x					x
<i>Baptisia tinctoria</i>	Yellow Wild Indigo			X	X			yellow	3'		x				x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Lanceleaf Coreopsis		X	X				yellow	3'	6	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	Pale Purple Coneflower		X	X				pink	4'		x	x	x	x	x	x				
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Coneflower			X	X			purple	4'	7	x	x	x	x	x	x				
<i>Eutrochium purpureum</i>	Sweet Joe Pye Weed			X	X	X		pink	6'	8	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	Bottle Gentian				X	X		blue	2'		x		x		x	x		x	x	x
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i>	Oxeye Sunflower		X	X	X	X		yellow	5'	9	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Dense Blazing Star			X	X	X		purple	3'	10	x				x	x				
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower			X	X	X		red	4'		x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	Wild Lupine	X	X	X				blue	2'	11	x				x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild Bergamot			X	X	X		purple	4'		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Oligoneuron rigidum var. rigidum</i>	Stiff Goldenrod				X	X		yellow	4'	14	x	x	x	x	x				x	
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Foxglove Beardtongue		X	X				white	4'	12	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Virginia Mountain Mint			X	X	X		white	3'		x				x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	Upright Prairie Coneflower		X	X	X			yellow	2'		x				x	x				
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	Yellow Coneflower			X	X	X		yellow	5'		x	x	x	x	x	x				x
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black Eyed Susan		X	X	X	X		yellow	2'	13	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Brown Eyed Susan				X	X		yellow	5'		x				x	x				x
<i>Senna hebecarpa</i>	American Senna			X	X			yellow	5'	5	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Solidago juncea</i>	Early Goldenrod				X	X		yellow	4'		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Symphyotrichum laeve</i>	Smooth Aster				X	X	X	blue	4'		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Symphyotrichum novae angliae</i>	New England Aster				X	X	X	purple	5'	4	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<i>Verbena hastata</i>	Blue Vervain			X	X	X		blue	5'	15	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x

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<i>Vernonia altissima</i>	Ironweed				X	X		purple	5'		X			X	X		X	X	
<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Golden Alexanders	X	X					yellow	3'		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	

Grasses																		
<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	Sideoats Grama			X	X	X		2'			X		X	X			X	
<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Canada Wildrye			X	X	X		4'	16			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Festuca rubra</i>	Red Fescue		X	X	X	X		2-3'				X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	Little Bluestem			X	X	X		3'		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>	Indian Grass				X	X		6'		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>	Prarie Dropseed			X	X	X		2'		X		X		X	X			

^aThis list includes species that have performed well in our pollinator habitat and meadow trials at UNH. Flowering times and heights will vary by location and density of planting. For more information, visit our website and online wildflower guide at

<http://extension.unh.edu/Wildflower-Meadows>

^b Source of native plant information: USDA, NRCS. 2014. The PLANTS Database (<http://plants.usda.gov>, 7 August 2014).



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