

Pollinator Plant List

Bloom Season	Plant Name	Scientific Name	Flower Foliage Color	Pollinators	Notes
GROUND COVER					
Summer	Wild Oregano	<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	Pink, white	Bees	Widely popular pollinator many bee species can't resist
	Common thyme	<i>Thymus vulgaris</i>	Pink, purple	Bees	Well known attractant for honeybees
FLOWERING PLANTS					
Spring	Sulpher-flower Buckwheat	<i>Eriogonum umbellatum</i>	Yellow	Bees (native bees especially), butterflies, moths	Extremely important for several butterfly caterpillar species
	Firecracker Penstemon	<i>Penstemon eatonii</i>	Red	Bees, hummingbirds	Showy-red flowers are irresistible to hummingbirds; pollinator nesting material; caterpillar host plant
Summer	Licorice Mint Hyssop 'Sunset'	<i>Agastache rupestris</i>	Orange	Hummingbirds, bees, butterflies	Aromatic foliage
	Rocky Mtn. Bee Plant	<i>Cleome serrulata</i>	Purple	Bees attracted to flowers; seeds good for small birds, bats	Annual that will reseed itself; naturalizes; will bloom until fall
	Threenerve Fleabane	<i>Erigeron subtrinervis</i>	Purple, yellow, blue	Bees, butterflies, bats	Early summer bloomer, commonly purple
	Sundancer daisy	<i>Hymenoxys acualis</i>	Yellow	Butterflies, native bees	Idaho native excellent for native bees, follows the sun, good for education
	English Lavender	<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i>	Purple	Bees, butterflies, moths	Will bloom until fall
	Scarlet Beebalm	<i>Monarda didyma</i>	Red	Bees, butterflies, moths, hummingbirds	Establishes quickly, adds height to garden
	Purple Sage	<i>Salvia dorrii</i>	Purple	Bees, hummingbirds, butterflies	Popular choice for monarch butterflies, will bloom until fall
Fall	Goldenrod	<i>Solidago speciosa</i>	Yellow	Solitary wasps, soldier beetles, bees, bats	One of the most important late-season pollinator plants
SHRUBS					
Spring	Saskatoon Service Berry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	White	Bees, butterflies, birds	Among the earliest blooming plants
	Golden Currant	<i>Ribes aureum sub. aureum</i>	Yellow	Bees, hummingbirds, butterflies, birds	Early season bees, habitat for birds
Summer	Mock Orange 'Fallbrook'	<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>	White	Native bees , birds	Aromatic foliage
Fall	Rubber Rabbit Brush	<i>Ericameria nauseosa</i>	Yellow	Bees, butterflies, moths	Late year bloom even after unexpected frosts kill other flowering plants, caterpillar host plant
GRASS					
All Season	Feather Reed Grass 'Karl Foerster'	<i>Calamagrostis x acutiflora</i>	Green foliage	Birds	Provides excellent movement and winter interest, cut back down to ground in early spring
	Big bluestem 'Dancing Wind'	<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	Blue-green foliage; red fall color	Birds, butterflies, moths	Larval host for various butterfly and moth species, excellent movement and fall color
	Little bluestem	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	Blue-green foliage	Birds, butterflies, moths	Larval host for various butterfly and moth species, excellent movement and winter interest
	Switchgrass 'Shenandoah'	<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	Green and burgundy; red-purple fall color	Birds, bees, butterflies	Overwintering host for bees and other pollinators
	Muhly grass 'Pink Cloud'	<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>	Green foliage, pink blooms	Birds, bees, butterflies	Habitat and shelter for bees