

# Planting Guide for your native pollinator garden

Use the arrangement below to have a continuous garden - spring, summer, & fall

# TEXAS



## BLOOM SEASON

-  Spring
-  Summer
-  Fall

For best results, use multiple plants of each species.



**POLLINATOR PARTNERSHIP**



## 1 Identify your garden spot:

- ✓ Find a 3' x 6' plot that gets 6+ hours of direct sun.
- ✓ Have a larger area? Include more choices and clump the same species together.
- ✓ Remove or smother existing lawn or vegetation.
- ✓ Enhance hard-packed soil with organic compost.

## 2 Buy plants at a local native plant nursery, if possible.

## 3 Plant!

- ✓ Arrange plants with different seasonal blooms in your plot.
- ✓ Dig holes twice as large as each plant's pot.
- ✓ Remove the plant from the pot, loosen the roots, place it in the hole, backfill, tamp soil, and water.
- ✓ Mulch plot to depth < 1 inch, keeping mulch away from stems and avoid using hardwood chips and shreds.

## 4 Maintain your garden:

- ✓ Water to keep moist throughout the first two weeks, then as needed or when plants droop.
- ✓ Weed as needed.
- ✓ Avoid using conventional pesticides and consider Bee Safe® alternatives.
- ✓ Be patient - your garden may take a few years to fully establish and fill in!

Add your garden: [www.millionpollinatorgardens.org](http://www.millionpollinatorgardens.org)

## BLOOM SEASON | NATIVE PLANT OPTIONS

\*Your state's native plant society can recommend additional locally appropriate native species in the genus below. See **North American Pollinator Protection Campaign Ecoregional Planting Guides** for additional information: [www.pollinator.org/guides](http://www.pollinator.org/guides).

SEASON	FIRST OPTION	SECOND OPTION
Spring	green milkweed <i>Asclepias viridis</i>	antelope-horns <i>Asclepias asperula</i>
	cobaea beardtongue <i>Penstemon cobaea</i>	Barbara's buttons <i>Marshallia caespitosa</i>
	columbine <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Engelmann's daisy <i>Engelmannia peristenia</i>
Summer	Texas lantana <i>Lantana urticoides</i>	orange zexmenia <i>Wedelia acapulcensis</i>
	tropical sage <i>Salvia coccinea</i>	Turk's cap <i>Malvaviscus arboreus</i>
Fall	flame acanthus <i>Anisacanthus quadrifidus</i>	black dalea <i>Dalea frutescens</i>
	Maximilian sunflower <i>Helianthus maximiliani</i>	plateau goldeneye <i>Viguiera dentata</i>
Shrubby Boneset	mealy blue sage <i>Salvia farinacea</i>	Gregg's mistflower <i>Conoclinium greggii</i>
	shrubby boneset <i>Ageratina havanensis</i>	blackfoot daisy <i>Melampodium leucanthum</i>

● color dots above indicate bloom color  
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