

GROTON GARDEN CLUB

NATIVE PLANT RESOURCE GUIDE

Compiled by the Project Development Committee

Top Six Recommended Native Plants from Mass Audubon



Wild columbine (Aquilegia canadensis) • Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies • Blooms in spring



Wild lupine (Lupinus perennis) • Attracts bees and butterflies • Blooms in spring to early summer



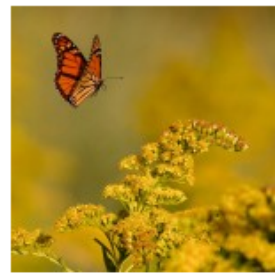
Smooth swamp-milkweed (Asclepias incarnata) • Attracts bumblebees, insects, and butterflies, and is a host plant for the monarch butterfly • Blooms in summer and early fall



Bird's foot violet (Viola pedata) • Attracts bees and butterflies • Blooms in spring to early summer



Wild geranium (Geranium maculatum) • Attracts bees and is especially good at attracting bumblebees—especially spring queens • Blooms in spring to early summer



Goldenrods (Solidago species) • Attract bees and other insects; extremely important fall plants for pollen • Blooms in late summer to late fall (depending on species) © Kim Caruso

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Where to Buy*

Local:

Middlesex Conservation District (not exclusively native plants): https://middlesexconservation.org/?page_id=38

Native Plant Trust (nurseries in Framingham and Whately, MA): <http://www.nativeplanttrust.org/for-your-garden/buy-native-plants/>

Grow Native Massachusetts (pickup in Waltham, MA): <https://grownativemass.org/Our-Programs/plant-sale>

Online:

Prairie Moon Nursery: <https://www.prairiemoon.com>

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Sunfarm Nursery (not only natives, so order carefully): <https://sunfarm.com>

Izel Native Plants: <https://www.izelplants.com>

*Information provided by the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, *Native Plant Challenge Newsletter*

Books

Essential Native Trees and Shrubs for the Eastern United States: The Guide to Creating a Sustainable Landscape
by Tony Dove and Ginger Woolridge

Edible Wild Plants: A North American Field Guide to Over 200 Natural Foods
by Thomas Elias and Peter Dykeman

Native Plants of the Northeast: A Guide for Gardening and Conservation
by Donald J. Leopold

Guide to Growing and Propagating Wildflowers of the United States and Canada
by William Cullina, The New England Wild Flower Society

Native Plants for New England Gardens, 1st Edition
by Mark Richardson and Dan Jaffe, New England Wild Flower Society

Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants, Updated and Expanded
By Douglas W. Tallamy

Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Yard
By Douglas W. Tallamy

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