



El Paso County Native Plant List to Attract Pollinators

Why Native Plants?

- They are adapted to our soils and climates
- Easier to maintain and require little or no soil amendments, fertilizer, or pesticides
- Require little or no supplemental irrigation – once established
- Support our native birds, bees, butterflies, and insects

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EARLY SEASON						
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	Saskatoon serviceberry	I-m	Fs-ps	well-drained	15' X 15'	White
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Leadplant	I	fs	adaptable	4' X 4'	Bluish purple
<i>Aquilegia chrysantha</i>	Golden columbine	I-m	Fs-ps	well-drained	30" X 18"	Yellow
<i>Arctostaphylos uva-uris</i>	Bearberry, Kinnikinnick	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained	0.5-1' X 3-6'	White-to-pink
<i>Arctostaphylos x coloradoensis</i>	Manzanita	I	fs-ps	well-drained	1' X 2-3'	Pink
<i>Clematis scottii</i>	Scott's sugarbowls	I-m		well-drained	12" X 18"	Blue/purple
<i>Geranium viscosissimum</i>	Sticky geranium	I-m		well-drained	12-24" X 12 – 24"	Pink-purple
<i>Geum triflorum</i>	Prairie smoke	I-m		well-drained	6-24" X 6-12"	Cream-pink
<i>Linum lewisii</i>	Wild blue flax	I	FS	well-drained	18' X 12"	Blue
<i>Mahonia fremontii</i>	Fremont mahonia	I	fs	adaptable	6-10' x 6-10'	yellow
<i>Mahonia repens</i>	Creeping mahonia	I	fs-ps-s	adaptable	1' x 4'	yellow
<i>Mirabilis multiflora</i>	Desert four-o'-clock	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained	18" x 48"	pink/lavendar
<i>Oenothera caespitosa</i>	White evening primrose	I	fs	well-drained	6" x 12"	white to pink
<i>Oenothera macrocarpa</i>	Ozark sundrops	I	fs	well-drained	3-6" x 6-12"	yellow
<i>Penstemon barbatus</i>	Scarlet Bugler penstemon	I	fs	well-drained	24-36" x 12-24"	red-orange

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<i>Penstemon eatonii</i>	Firecracker penstemon	l	fs	well-drained	18-24" x 12-15"	scarlet-red
<i>Penstemon mensarum</i>	Grand mesa penstemon	l-m	fs-ps	adaptable	24-30" x 12-15"	cobalt blue
<i>Penstemon virens</i>	Blue mist penstemon	l	fs	well-drained	8" x 8-10"	blue
<i>Philadelphus microphyllus</i>	Littleleaf mockorange	l	fs-ps	sandy to loam	4' x 5'	white
<i>Prunus americana</i>	American plum	l	fs-ps	adaptable	12' x 10'	white
<i>Prunus besseyi</i>	Western sandcherry	l-m	fs	well-drained	6' x 5'	white
<i>Prunus virginia</i>	Chokecherry	l-m	ps-fs	adaptable	10-20' x 10-20'	white
<i>Pulsatilla (Anemone) patens</i>	Pasque flower	l-m	fs	well-drained	3-12" x 3-6"	white, blue-purple
<i>Purshia tridentata</i>	Antelope bitterbrush	l	fs	well-drained	5' x 4'	cream
<i>Rhus trilobata</i>	Three Leaf sumac	l	fs	adaptable	4-6' x 5-8'	insig
<i>Ribes aureum</i>	Golden currant	l-m	fs-ps	adaptable	6' x 5'	yellow
<i>Ribes cereum</i>	Wax currant	l	fs	adaptable	4' x 3'	pink
<i>Rosa woodsii</i>	Wood's rose	m	fs-ps	loam	3-5' x 4-5'	pink
<i>Rubus deliciosus</i>	Boulder raspberry	l-m	fs-ps	adaptable	8' x 6'	white
<i>Sphaeralcea coccinea</i>	Scarlet globemallow	l	fs	tolerates clay	10" x 10"	red/orange
<i>Stanleya pinnata</i>	Prince's plume	l	fsw	well-drained	24-48" x 12-18"	yellow
<i>Verbena bipinnatifida</i>	Spreading verbena	l-m	fs	well-drained	6" x 12"	rose/purple
MID-SEASON						
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow	l	fs	well-drained	12 "x 36"	white (native), various (cultivars)
<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>	Pearly everlasting	l-m	fs	well-drained, moist	12-20" x 24"	cream

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<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed	I	fs	well-drained, sandy	18" x 18"	orange
<i>Berlandiera lyrata</i>	Chocolate flower	I	fs	well-drained	18" x 18"	yellow
<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i>	Prairie winecup	I	fs	well-drained	36" x 12"	magenta
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebells	I	fs-ps	well-drained	12" x 6"	blue
<i>Coreopsis tinctoria</i>	Plains coreopsis	I-m	fs	well-drained	24-36" x 12-18"	yellow
<i>Dalea purpurea</i>	Prairie clover	I	fs	well-drained	18" x 18"	purple
<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	Drooping coneflower	I	fs	well-drained	24-36" x 12-18"	pink to purple
<i>Erigeron speciosus</i>	Showy daisy	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained, fertile	12-18" x 12-18"	purple
<i>Fallugia paradoxa</i>	Apache plume	I	fs	adaptable	6' x 6'	white
<i>Gaillardia aristata</i>	Blanket flower	I	fs	well-drained	12" x 12"	yellow-orange
<i>Heliomeris multiflora</i>	Showy goldeneye	I-m	fs	well-drained	18-30" x 18-30"	yellow
<i>Holodiscus dumosus</i>	Rock spirea	I	fs-ps	adaptable	7' x 9'	cream
<i>Ipomopsis aggregata</i>	Scarlet gilia	I	fs	well-drained	12-30" x 12"	red, pink, white
<i>Lupinus argenteus</i>	Silvery lupine	I	fs	well-drained	12-36" x 12-24"	white-deep purple
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Bee balm	I	fs	well-drained, fertile	24" x 24"	white/lavendar
<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i> 'Prairie Jewel'	Prairie Jewel penstemon	I-m	fs	well-drained	30" x 12"	lavender
<i>Penstemon palmeri</i>	Palmer's penstemon	I	fs	well-drained	24-48" x 18-24"	pale pink
<i>Penstemon secundiflorus</i>	Sidebells penstemon	I-m	fs-ps	rocky soils	20" x 12"	pink/purple
<i>Penstemon strictus</i>	Rocky Mountain penstemon	I	fs-ps	well-drained	30" x 24"	blue/purple
<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	Shrubby cinquefoil	I-m	fs	adaptable	4' x 4'	yellow

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<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	Prairie coneflower 'Mexican Hat'	I	fs-ps	well-drained	18" x 12"	yellow/orange
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan	I-m	fs-ps	Well-drained	24" x 7-12"	yellow/orange
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Snowberry	I-m	fs-ps-s	adaptable	4' x 6'	white to pink
<i>Tradescantia occidentalis</i>	Spiderwort	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained	12-24" x 12-18"	pink/purple
LATE SEASON						
<i>Aster/Symphyotrich on laevis</i>	Smooth aster	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained	24-36" x 12-18"	pale violet
<i>Aster/Symphyotrich on novae-angliae</i>	New England aster	I-m	fs	well-drained	12-72' x 12-36'	rose-purple, lavender, white
<i>Aster/Symphyotrich on porteri</i>	Porter aster	I	fs-ps	well-drained	12-18" x 12-24"	white
<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>	Rabbitbrush	I	fs	adaptable	2-6' x 3-4'	yellow
<i>Gutierrezia sarothrae</i>	Broom snakeweed	I	fs	adaptable	12-18" x 12-18"	yellow
<i>Helianthus maximilliana</i>	Santa Fe sunflower	I-m	fs	well-drained	48" x 48"	yellow
<i>Liatris punctata</i>	Dotted gayfeather	I-m	fs-ps	well-drained, sandy	24" x 12"	blue-purple
<i>Machaeranthera (Dieteria) bigelovii</i>	Tansy aster	I	fs	adaptable	6-30"x 12-24"	purple
<i>Solidago spp.</i>	Goldenrod	I	fs	adaptable	varies	yellow
<i>Zinnia grandiflora</i>	Prairie zinnia	I	fs-ps	well-drained	4-8" x 4-8"	yellow