



Native Perennials that like Moist, Wet, or Swampy Areas in the Shade

Natural or manmade ponds, areas that stay flooded or accumulate water from runoff or drainage ditches and rain gardens are excellent opportunities to grow native plants.

There are many beautiful native perennials that will thrive in these conditions.

Wet areas provide habitat for a diverse group of plants and animals. Use this palette of plants to create a beautiful and interesting garden. The colors, shapes and textures of the plants are themselves an attractive addition to your garden. In addition, you will create an opportunity to enjoy watching the butterflies, moths, birds and other wildlife that your native habitat attracts.

Botanical Name	Common Name	Flower Color	Height	Notes
<i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i>	Willow Blue Amsonia	Steel blue	1-3 ft	Deer rarely eat, excellent butterfly plant
<i>Arisaema triphyllum</i>	Jack-in-the-pulpit	Brown, green	1-2 ft	Attracts insects
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Swamp Milkweed	Pink	3-4 ft	Deer rarely eat, excellent butterfly plant, host Monarch butterfly
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh Marigold	Yellow	1-2 ft	Nectar and pollen for bees and flies, seed for birds
<i>Carex muskingumensis</i>	Sedge, Palm	Brown, green	2-3 ft.	Provides cover for animals
<i>Chelone glabra</i>	White Turtlehead	White	2-3 ft.	Larval host plant for the Baltimore checker spot butterfly.
<i>Chelone lyonii</i>	Pink Turtlehead	Pink	2-3 ft.	Larval host plant for the Baltimore checker spot butterfly.
<i>Eupatorium purpureum</i>	Joe Pye Weed	Pink	3-4 ft	Insects love it!, attracts beneficial insects
<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	Bottle Gentian	Blue	2-2 1/2 ft	Bumble bees pollinate, rich in nectar
<i>Geum rivale</i>	Water Avens	Red-Yellow	1-2 ft	Pollinated by bees and flies
<i>Hibiscus moscheutos</i>	Swamp Rose mallow	Creamy white- red	3-5 ft	Attracts hummingbirds
<i>Iris versicolor</i>	Blue Flag Iris	Blue	1-2 ft	Attracts hummingbirds
<i>Lillium superbum</i>	Turk's Cap Lily	Orange	3-8 ft	Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies.
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Lobelia, Red Cardinal Flower	Red	2-3 ft.	Butterfly and humming bird favorite.
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Lobelia, Great Blue	Blue	2-3 ft.	Butterfly and humming bird favorite.
<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Virginia Bluebells	Blue	1-2 ft	Attracts native bees, butterflies and moths.
<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	Monkey Flower	Light Blue	2-4 ft	Bumble bees, host plant for Halcedony Midget Moth
<i>Packera aurea (Senecio aureus)</i>	Golden groundsel	Yellow	1-3 ft	Attracts butterflies and bees
<i>Zizia aurea</i>	Golden Alexanders	Yellow	1-3 ft	Attracts butterflies, Larval host plant for Black Swallowtail