

Planting Guide for your native pollinator garden

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

SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM

6'

3'



BLOOM SEASON



For best results, use multiple plants of each species.



Follow these steps to create your beautiful native pollinator garden

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1 Identify your garden spot:

- ✓ Find a 3' x 6' plot that gets 6+ hours of 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 insecticides, herbicides, or fungicides.
- ✓ Be patient - your garden may take a few years to fully establish and fill in!

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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.

SEASON	FIRST OPTION	SECOND OPTION
Spring  PALMER'S PENSTEMON	purple sage <i>Salvia dorii</i>	Palmer's penstemon <i>Penstemon palmeri</i>
	butterfly milkweed <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	chocolate flower <i>Berlandiera lyrata</i>
	wild bergamot <i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	common yarrow <i>Achillea millefolium</i>
Summer  FIRECRACKER BEARDSTONGUE	blanket flower <i>Gaillardia aristata</i>	firecracker beardstongue <i>Penstemon eatonii</i>
	scarlet bugler <i>Penstemon barbatus</i>	horsetail milkweed <i>Asclepias subverticillata</i>
	owl's claw <i>Helenium hoopesii</i>	desert marigold <i>Baileya multiradiata</i>
Fall  RABBITBRUSH	giant hyssop <i>Agastache spp.*</i>	wolfberry <i>Lycium spp.*</i>
	globemallow <i>Sphaeralcea spp.*</i>	rabbitbrush <i>Ericameria spp.*</i>
	Canada goldenrod <i>Solidago canadensis</i>	desert rosemallow <i>Hibiscus coulteri</i>

• color dots above indicate bloom color

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