

Best Low-Maintenance Native Plants for East Tennessee Gardens

Plants for Sun

Bluestar *Amsonia sp.*
Milkweed *Asclepias tuberosa, A. incarnata*
Aromatic Aster *Aster oblongifolius*
Wild Indigos *Baptisia sp.*
Threadleaf Coreopsis *Coreopsis verticillata*
Coneflower *Echinacea purpurea*
Spiderwort *Tradescantia*
Beardtongue *Penstemon digitalis, smalii*
Threadleaf Mountain Mint *Pycnanthemum tenuifolium*
Goldenrod *Solidago sp.*
Stoke's Aster *Stokesia laevis*
Black Eyed Susan *Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii*
Joe Pye "Gateway", "Little Joe" or *Eupatorium dubium*
Bradbury's Bee Balm *Monarda bradburiana*
Carolina Bush Pea *Thermopsis caroliniana*

Grasses

Little Blue Stem *Schizacrium scoparium*
Switchgrass *Panicum virgatum*
Prarie Dropseed *Sporobolis heterolepis*
Muhly Grass *Muhlenbergia capillaris*
Splitbeard Broomsedge *Andropogon ternarius*
Blue Love Grass *Eragrostis elliotii*

Plants for Shade

Foamflower *Tiarella cordifolia*
Alum Root *Heuchera americana*
Yellowroot *Xanthorrhiza simplicissima*
White Wood Aster *Aster divaricata*
Goatsbeard *Aruncus dioicus*
Celandine Poppy *Stylophorum diphyllum*
Wild Ageratum *Eupatorium coelestinum*
Giant Alumroot *Heuchera macrorhiza*
Meehan's Mint *Meehania cordata*
Wild Geranium *Geranium maculatum*
Golden Ragwort *Senecio aureus*
Sedges - many species choose from.
Christmas Fern *Polystichum acrostichoides*
Other Native Ferns when properly sited
Wild Stonecrop *Sedum ternatum*
Phlox *Phlox divaricata and P. stolonifera*
Bottlebrush Grass *Hystrix patula*

Shrubs, Small Trees, and Vines

Spicebush *Lindera benzoin*
Fothergilla *Fothergilla gardenia F. major*
Hearts a bustin *Euonymus virginiana*
Oakleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea quercifolia*
Viburnums *Viburnum nudum, V. trilobum*
Hollies *Ilex verticillata, I. glabra*
Blueberries, when sited properly
Pagoda Dogwood *Cornus alternifolia*
Red Buckeye *Aesculus pavia*
Ninebark *Physocarpus opulifolius*
Fringe Tree *Chionanthus virginicus*
Sweet Bay Magnolia *Magnolia virginiana*
Serviceberry *Amelanchier sp*
New Jersey Tea *Ceanothus americanus*
American Wisteria *Wisteria frutescens*
Trumpet Honeysuckle *Lonicera sempervirens*
Carolina Jasmine *Gelsemium sempervirens*
Virginia Creeper *Parthenocissus quinquefolia*
Dutchman's Pipe *Aristolochia durior*

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