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## Tips for choosing the best pollinator-friendly plants for your garden:

- 1) Plant a diversity of flowers (consider color, flower structure, and bloom time)
- 2) Plant flowers in patches (pollinators prefer dense flower patches!)
- 3) Purchase plants from pesticide-free nurseries
- 4) Choose plants that you enjoy, too!

Bloom Period					
<b>Early</b> (April-June)	Blue wild indigo* <i>Baptisia australis</i>	Golden Alexander <i>Zizia aurea</i>	Sundial lupine <i>Lupinus perennis</i>	Purple deadnettle** <i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Wild geranium <i>Geranium maculatum</i>
<b>Early/Mid</b> (June-July)					
	Lance-leaved coreopsis* <i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Red clover** <i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Foxglove beardtongue <i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Common selfheal <i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	Common milkweed <i>Asclepias syriaca</i>
<b>Mid/Late</b> (July-August)					
	Purple coneflower* <i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Blazing star* <i>Liatris spicata</i>	Butterfly milkweed <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Wild bee-balm <i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Anise hyssop* <i>Agastache foeniculum</i>
<b>Late</b> (August-October)					
	Joe-pye weed <i>Eutrochium</i> spp.	Common Sunflower* <i>Helianthus annuus</i>	New York ironweed <i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i>	Goldenrod <i>Solidago</i> spp.	New England aster <i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i>

Plants listed are native to Rhode Island except: \* = Native to North America (but not Rhode Island) | \*\* = Not native to North America



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