

Recommended Prairie Species Native to Northeastern Illinois

WILDFLOWERS

- Nodding Wild Onion (*Allium cernuum*)
- Thimbleweed (*Anemone cylindrica*)
- Cat's Foot (*Antennaria neglecta*)
- Pussy Toes (*Antennaria plantaginifolia*)
- Prairie Indian Plantain (*Arnoglossum plantagineum*)
- Prairie Milkweed (*Asclepias sullivantii*)
- Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)
- Canadian Milk Vetch (*Astragalus canadensis*)
- Cream Wild Indigo (*Baptisia bracteata*)
- White Wild Indigo (*Baptisia lactea*)
- Sand Coreopsis (*Coreopsis lanceolata*)
- Prairie Coreopsis (*Coreopsis palmata*)
- White Prairie Clover (*Dalea candida*)
- Purple Prairie Clover (*Dalea purpurea*)
- Illinois Sensitive Plant (*Desmanthus illinoensis*)
- Shooting Star (*Dodecatheon meadia*)
- Prairie Cinquefoil (*Drymocallis arguta*)
- Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea pallida*)
- Broad-Leaved Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)
- Rattlesnake Master (*Eryngium yuccifolium*)
- Flowering Spurge (*Euphorbia corollata*)
- Yellowish Gentian (*Gentiana alba*)
- Bottle Gentian (*Gentiana andrewsii*)
- Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*)
- Pale-Leaved Sunflower (*Helianthus strumosus*)
- False Sunflower (*Heliopsis helianthoides*)
- Prairie Alum Root (*Heuchera richardsonii*)
- Great St. John's Wort (*Hypericum ascyron*)
- False Dandelion (*Krigia biflora*)
- Round-Headed Bush Clover (*Lespedeza capitata*)
- Rough Blazing Star (*Liatris aspera*)
- Cylindrical Blazing Star (*Liatris cylindracea*)
- Prairie Blazing Star (*Liatris pycnostachya*)
- Marsh Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)
- Turk's Cap Lily (*Lilium michiganense*)
- Great Blue Lobelia (*Lobelia siphilitica*)
- Wild Lupine (*Lupinus perennis occidentalis*)
- Wild Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*)
- Small Sundrops (*Oenothera perennis*)
- Prairie Sundrops (*Oenothera pilosella*)
- Stiff Aster (*Oligoneuron album*)
- Stiff Goldenrod (*Oligoneuron rigidum*)
- Foxglove Beard Tongue (*Penstemon digitalis*)

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- Prairie Phlox (*Phlox pilosa fulgida*)
- Hairy Mountain Mint (*Pycnanthemum pilosum*)
- Slender Mountain Mint (*Pycnanthemum tenuifolium*)
- Common Mountain Mint (*Pycnanthemum virginianum*)
- Yellow Coneflower (*Ratibida pinnata*)
- Showy Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia fulgida speciosa*)
- Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)
- Sweet Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia subtomentosa*)
- Hairy Wild Petunia (*Ruellia humilis*)
- Wild Senna (*Senna hebecarpa*)
- Maryland Senna (*Senna marilandica*)
- Royal Catchfly (*Silene regia*)
- Rosinweed (*Silphium integrifolium*)
- Compass Plant (*Silphium laciniatum*)
- Prairie Dock (*Silphium terebinthinaceum*)
- Common Blue-Eyed Grass (*Sisyrinchium albidum*)
- Stout Blue-Eyed Grass (*Sisyrinchium angustifolium*)
- Early Goldenrod (*Solidago juncea*)
- Old-Field Goldenrod (*Solidago nemoralis*)
- Heath Aster (*Symphyotrichum ericoides*)
- Smooth Blue Aster (*Symphyotrichum laeve*)
- New England Aster (*Symphyotrichum novae-angliae*)
- Sky-Blue Aster (*Symphyotrichum oolentangiense*)
- Purple Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum dasycarpum*)
- Common Spiderwort (*Tradescantia ohiensis*)
- Hoary Vervain (*Verbena stricta*)
- Culver's Root (*Veronicastrum virginicum*)
- Golden Alexanders (*Zizia aurea*)
- GRASSES, SEDGES, AND RUSHES**
- Big Bluestem Grass (*Andropogon gerardii*)
- Side-Oats Grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*)
- Prairie Brome (*Bromus kalmii*)
- Copper-Shouldered Oval Sedge (*Carex bicknellii*)
- Short-Headed Bracted Sedge (*Carex cephalophora*)
- Prairie Panic Grass (*Dichanthelium leibergii*)
- June Grass (*Koeleria macrantha*)
- Little Bluestem Grass (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
- Indian Grass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)
- Prairie Dropseed (*Sporobolus heterolepis*)
- SHRUBS**
- Lead Plant (*Amorpha canescens*)
- New Jersey Tea (*Ceanothus americanus*)
- Eastern Prickly Pear (*Opuntia humifusa*)