



# NATURE CENTER

## A LE SUEUR COUNTY PARK

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pollinator Plant Sale 2022

The six pollinator plants are listed below with information obtained from [wildflower.org](http://wildflower.org), [minnesotawildflowers.info](http://minnesotawildflowers.info), and [dnr.state.mn.us](http://dnr.state.mn.us). The photographs were obtained through Flickr's Creative Commons – see our website for individual credit.

#### **Aromatic Aster** ***Symphyotrichum oblongifolium***

Alternative Names: Fall Aster, Wild Blue Aster  
Soil preference: Rocky or sandy, well drained  
Sun requirements: Full sun or part-shade  
Water requirements: Low  
Size at maturity: 1 – 3ft  
Spacing: 1 – 2ft  
Flower color: Purple  
Bloom time: September – November  
Additional Info: Can be pruned back by no more than half in June, flowers have 20 – 35 petals and are about 1 – 1.5in



#### **Fireweed** ***Chamaenerion angustifolium***

Alternative Names: Rosebay, Great Willowherb  
Soil preference: Moist, sandy  
Sun requirements: Full sun or part-shade  
Water requirements: High  
Size at maturity: 3 – 7ft  
Spacing: 3ft  
Flower color: Pink, purple  
Bloom time: June – August  
Additional Info: Reddish stems, alternate leaves, flowers have four paddle-shaped petals, frequently takes over burned-over land



**Narrow-leaved Coneflower**  
***Echinacea angustifolia***

Alternative Names: Black Samson Echinacea  
Soil preference: Dry, clay or sandy  
Sun requirements: Full sun  
Water requirements: Low  
Size at maturity: 1 – 3ft  
Spacing: 1 – 2ft  
Flower color: Pink, purple  
Bloom time: May – August  
Additional Info: Flowers have 15 – 20 petals with a dark orangish-brown and spiny center



**Ohio Spiderwort**  
***Tradescantia ohiensis***

Alternative Names: Bluejacket  
Soil preference: Moist or dry, sandy, clay  
Sun requirements: Full sun or part-shade  
Water requirements: Low  
Size at maturity: 1 – 3ft  
Spacing: 1 – 3ft  
Flower color: Purple, blue  
Bloom time: March – August  
Additional Info: Flowers are about 1in and have 3 petals, 6 bright yellow anthers, grass-like leaves of about 8 – 15in, up to 20 flowers, flowers tend to open in the morning and close in the afternoon on warm days



**Purple Prairie Clover**  
*Dalea purpurea*

Soil preference: Dry, rocky or sandy  
Sun requirements: Full sun  
Water requirements: Low  
Size at maturity: 1 – 3ft  
Spacing: 2 – 3ft  
Flower color: Purple, pink  
Bloom time: June – September  
Additional Info: Cone-like flower heads, flowers have five petals with orange or yellow-tipped stamens



**Stiff Goldenrod**  
*Solidago rigida*

Soil preference: Somewhat dry, sandy, clay  
Sun requirements: Full sun or part-shade  
Water requirements: Low  
Size at maturity: 2 – 6ft  
Spacing: 1 – 3ft  
Flower color: Yellow  
Bloom time: July – October  
Additional Info: A heavy self-seeder, often occurs in clumps, unbranched stems, may need to stake

