

Spring Native Plant Sale

Ingham Conservation District (ICD) currently offers one of the most diverse and comprehensive tree/plant catalogs of any District in the Mid-West. ICD is proud to be able to offer high quality native plants to our customers at unbeatable prices. The **Order Deadline** for the native plant sale is Thursday, June 5th. (Native plants will be available to be picked up on Friday, June 13th from 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM and Saturday June 14th from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM at the District Headquarters).

Native Plant Importance

Native plants make a beautiful ecological addition to any landscape setting. Their diversity in structure and color are sure to brighten up any garden or land parcel regardless of size. Planting native flora can re-established native communities that have been decimated throughout history. Currently, dangerously high deer and invasive plant populations (e.g. unwanted foreign vegetation species) have led to a major decline in many native plant species. As native communities decline, invasive species fill in the gaps creating a catastrophic loss in biodiversity. These declines pose multiple threats to Michigan's ecosystems.

Native plants are essential to many wildlife and insect species due to special needs that can only be met by specific native flora. Native vegetation and wildlife have evolved together throughout time creating a balance between the plant producers and wildlife consumers. Most of our medical drugs are derived from native plant communities. If we allow exotic species to go unchecked, we lose out on endless medical breakthroughs. Many natural environmental functions such as flood and erosion control, water filtration and forest cycles are directly affected by local vegetation communities. As stewards of the environment, it is very important to choose native flowers over introduced plants for our home gardens to help protect nature's self-sustaining systems. We can have a significant impact on the world so please take time to consider planting native flowers.

Pale Coneflower

Rough Blazing Star

Purple Coneflower



HABITAT KEY FOR SITE SELECTION

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| Moisture: | W – wet | M – moist | D – dry |
| Light: | S – full shade | P – partial shade | F – full sun |

Native Plant Descriptions - Pull Out Order Form

| Name | Color | Mature Height | Bloom Period | Uses | Soil | Light | # Ordered | Cost |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------|------|-------|-----------|------|
| Cardinal Flower | Bright Red | 2-5' | July-Sept. | Bees, Landscape Moths | M | P-F | | |
| Nodding Wild Onion | Pink | 1-1.5' | June-Aug | Squirrel, Ornamental | D | S-F | | |
| Jack in the Pulpit | Green | 1-2' | April-June | Birds, Landscaping | M | S | | |
| Butterfly Weed | Bright Orange | 1-3' | May-Sept. | Butterflies | D | S-F | | |
| Wild Indigo | Yellow | 1-3' | June-Aug. | Groundcover, Butterflies | M-D | S | | |
| Harebell | Blue | 1-2' | June-Sept. | Hummingbirds | D | S-F | | |
| Turtlehead | White | 4-5' | July-Sept. | Butterflies, Honeybees | M | S-F | | |
| Joe Pye Weed | Purple | 4-6' | July-Sept. | Bees, Nectar | W | F | | |
| Pale Purple Coneflower | Purple | 2-3' | June-July | Butterflies, Birds | D-M | S-F | | |
| Purple Coneflower | Purple | 3-4' | July-Sept. | Butterflies, Birds | M-D | P-F | | |
| Prairie Smoke | Red | 1' | Apr-May | Groundcover, Butterflies | M-D | P-F | | |
| St. John's Wort | Yellow | 1-2.5' | July-Sept. | Ornamental | M | P-F | | |
| Rough Blazing Star | Purple | 3-4' | July-Sept. | Bees, Hummingbirds | M-D | F | | |
| Wild Lupine | Purple | 1-2' | May-June | Larval Butterflies | D | P-F | | |
| True Solomon's Seal | Green | 1-2' | Spring | Blue berries in Fall | M | S-P | | |
| Black Eyed Susan | Yellow | 2-4' | Summer-Fall | Birds Eat Seed Head | M-D | P-F | | |
| Skullcap (mad dog) | Blue | 2-3' | June-Sept. | Ornamental | W | P-F | | |
| Cup Plant | Yellow | 5-8' | July-Sept. | Hummingbirds, Butterflies | M-D | P-F | | |
| Blue Eyed Grass | Blue | 1' | May-June | Groundcover | M-D | P-F | | |

Plants will cost \$ 3.50 each and come in a 3 inch pot. Quantities are LIMITED so ORDER EARLY!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, MI Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Enclose your check for payment Or Credit Card info

Visa

MasterCard

_____ Exp. Date _____

Subtotal: \$ _____

+ 6% sales tax: \$ _____

ORDER Total: \$ _____

Donation: (optional) \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to:
Ingham Conservation District
 1031 W. Dexter Trail
 Mason, MI 48854