

BUMBLE BEE BANQUET

Bumble bees need nutritious pollen and nectar sources acquired from native flowering plants for the entire growing season. Plant a diversity of trees, shrubs, and perennials to ensure your bumble bee banquet is always offering pollen and nectar.



spring →

Virginia Waterleaf
Hydrophyllum virginianum



summer →

Canada Milkvetch
Astragalus canadensis



fall

New England Aster
Aster novae-angliae

diversity of native plants



trees

Wild Plum
Prunus americana



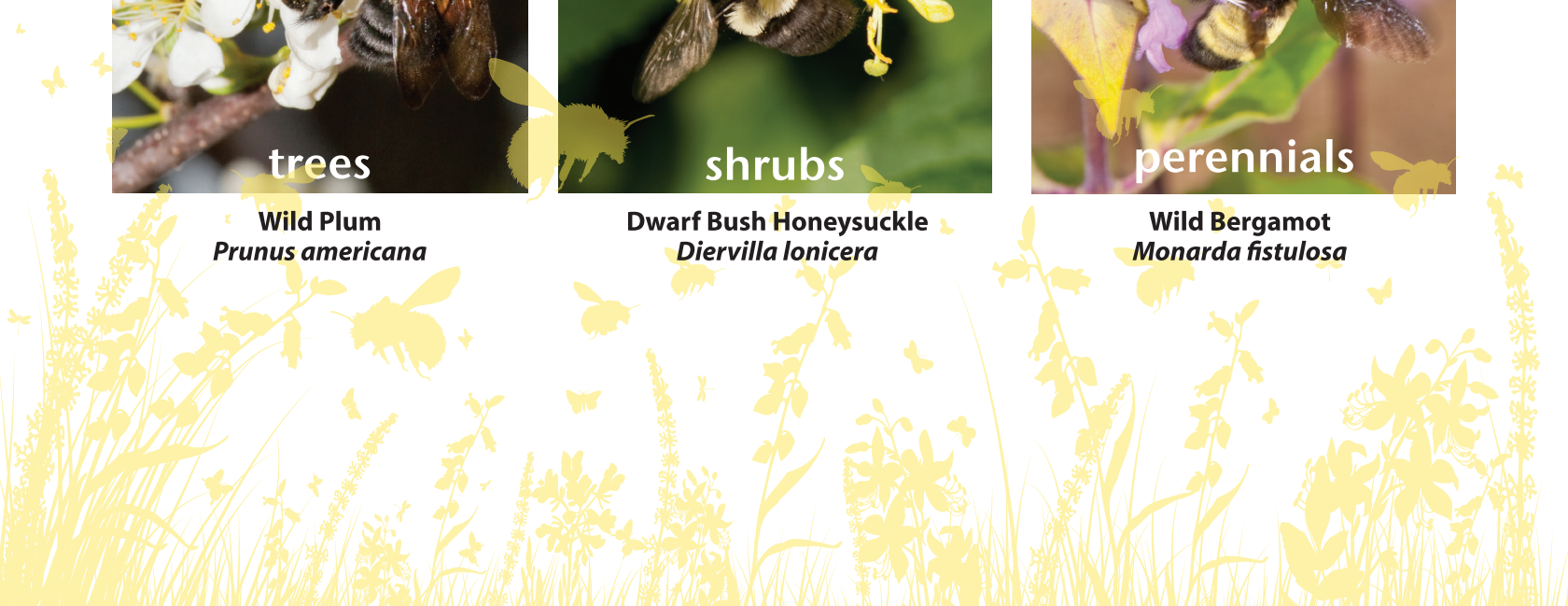
shrubs

Dwarf Bush Honeysuckle
Diervilla lonicera



perennials

Wild Bergamot
Monarda fistulosa



BUMBLE BEE FORAGE

							BLOOM						
	BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	COLOR	MOISTURE	EXPOSURE	HEIGHT	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
PERENNIALS: SUN/PART SUN, MEDIUM-DRY	<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	n Anise Hyssop	purple	m, d	s, ps	3-4 ft			x	x	x	x	
	<i>Allium stellatum</i>	n Prairie Onion	lavender	m, d	s, ps	1-2 ft				x	x		
	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	pn Wild Columbine	red	m, d	s, ps	2-3 ft	x	x	x				
	<i>Baptisia alba</i>	pn Wild White Indigo	white	m, d	s, ps	2-4 ft			x	x			
	<i>Baptisia bracteata</i>	pn Cream Indigo	cream	m, d	s, ps	2 ft		x	x				
	<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	pn Pasture Thistle	pink	m	s	4-7 ft				x	x		
	<i>Dalea purpurea</i>	pn Purple Prairie Clover	purple	m, d	s, ps	1-2 ft			x	x	x		
	<i>Delphinium virescens</i>	n Wild Larkspur	blue	m, d	s, ps	1.5-3 ft			x	x			
	<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	p Stiff Tick Trefoil	lavender	m, d	s, ps	2-3 ft			x	x			
	<i>Dodecatheon media</i>	p Shooting Star	pink	m	s, ps	1-2 ft			x	x			
	<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	n Pale Purple Coneflower	lavender	m, d	s, ps	2-4 ft			x	x			
	<i>Geum triflorum</i>	p Prairie Smoke	pink	d	s	1 ft		x	x				
	<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	pn Wild Lupine	blue	d	s, ps	1-2 ft		x	x	x			
	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	n Wild Bergamot	lavender	m, d	s, ps	2-3.5 ft				x	x	x	
	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	n Smooth Beardtongue	white	m, d	s, ps	2-3 ft		x	x	x			
	<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i>	n Large Beardtongue	lavender	m, d	s, ps	1-3 ft		x	x				
	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	n Gray-headed coneflower	yellow	m, d	s, ps	3-5 ft				x	x	x	
	<i>Solidago rigida</i>	n Stiff Goldenrod	yellow	m, d	s	3-4 ft					x	x	x
	<i>Tradescantia ohimensis</i>	p Ohio Spiderwort	blue	m	s, ps	1-2 ft		x	x	x			
	<i>Viola sororia</i>	pn Common Blue Violet	violet	m, d	ps, sh	0.5 ft		x	x				
<i>Verbena stricta</i>	n Hoary Vervain	purple	d	s, ps	1-2 ft			x	x	x	x		
<i>Zizia aurea</i>	n Golden Alexanders	yellow	m, d	s, ps	1-3 ft	x	x	x					
PERENNIALS: SUN/PART SUN, MEDIUM-WET	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	n Swamp Milkweed	pink	w, m	s	3-4 ft			x	x	x		
	<i>Aster novae-angliae</i>	n New England Aster	purple	w, m	s, ps	3-5 ft					x	x	x
	<i>Chelone glabra</i>	n White Turtlehead	white	w, m	s	1-3 ft				x	x	x	
	<i>Eutrochium maculatum</i>	pn Spotted Joe Pye Weed	pink	w	s, ps	3-7 ft			x	x	x		
	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	n Bottle Gentian	blue	w, m	s, ps	1-2 ft					x	x	
	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	n Sneezeweed	yellow	w, m	s, ps	2-5 ft					x	x	x
	<i>Iris versicolor</i>	n Blue Flag Iris	blue	w, m	s, ps	1.5-3 ft		x	x	x			
	<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	n Prairie Blazingstar	purple	w, m	s, ps	2-5 ft				x	x	x	
	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	pn Blue Lobelia	blue	w, m	s, ps	1-3 ft				x	x	x	x
	<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	n Monkey Flower	violet	w, m	s, ps	1-3 ft				x	x		
	<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	n Obedient Plant	pink	w, m	s, ps	2-4 ft					x	x	
	<i>Verbena hastata</i>	n Blue Vervain	blue	w, m	s, ps	2-5 ft				x	x	x	
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>	n Common Ironweed	purple	w, m	s, ps	3-6 ft				x	x	x		
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>	pn Culver's Root	white	w, m	s, ps	3-5 ft			x	x	x			
PERENNIALS: SHADE	<i>Aster macrophyllus</i>	n Large-leaved Aster	white	m, d	ps, sh	1-2 ft					x	x	x
	<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>	n Dutchman's Breeches	white	m	sh	0.5-1 ft		x	x				
	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	n Wild Geranium	pink	m, d	ps, sh	1-2 ft	x	x	x	x			
	<i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i>	n Virginia Waterleaf	violet	m, d	ps, sh	1 ft		x	x				
	<i>Polemonium reptans</i>	pn Jacob's Ladder	blue	m	ps, sh	0.5-1 ft	x	x	x				
	<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>	p Solomon's Seal	white	m, d	ps, sh	1-3 ft		x	x				
	<i>Solidago flexicaulis</i>	n Zigzag Goldenrod	yellow	m, d	ps, sh	2-3.5 ft					x	x	x
TREES AND SHRUBS	<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	pn Leadplant	purple	m, d	s	1-2 ft			x	x	x		
	<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>	pn New Jersey Tea	white	m, d	s	2-4 ft				x	x		
	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	pn Buttonbush	white	w	s	4-9 ft				x	x		
	<i>Cornus racemosa</i>	pn Gray Dogwood	white	m	s, ps	3-8 ft		x	x				
	<i>Diervilla lonicera</i>	n Dwarf Bush Honeysuckle	yellow	m, d	ps, sh	2-3 ft			x	x	x		
	<i>Prunus americana</i>	pn Wild Plum	white	m, d	s, ps	10-25 ft		x					
	<i>Rhus glabra</i>	p Smooth Sumac	yellow	m, d	s	4-9 ft			x	x			
	<i>Staphylea trifolia</i>	n American Bladdernut	white	m	ps	5-20 ft		x	x				
	<i>Zanthoxylum americanum</i>	n Prickly Ash	yellow	m, d	s, ps	4-20 ft		x					

Plant List and Design: Heather Holm
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p = pollen collected n = nectar consumed

Citizen Scientists - Help Monitor Bumble Bees
Bumble Bee Watch www.bumblebeewatch.org
Minnesota Bumble Bee Survey
befriendingbumblebees.com/survey.html