Mesic Pollinator Garden Partial Shade to Full Shade

These plants grow best with three to six hours of direct sun each day.

This pollinator garden is designed for partial to full shade locations with average soil moisture. A flagstone pathway allows access through the garden, passing through groupings of Illinois native woodland forbs, shrubs and sedges that attract a wide variety of pollinators from spring through fall. Leave foliage standing through winter to provide overwintering habitat for wildlife and visual interest throughout the season.

- 1. Spicebush (Lindera benzoin) Backup: Winterberry (Ilex verticillata)
- 2. Joe Pye Weed (Eutrochium purpureum) Backup: Smooth Blue Aster (Symphyotrichum laevis)
- 3. Smooth Hydrangea (Hydrangea arborescens) Backup: Coralberry (Symphoricarpos orbiculatus)

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- 4. Cinnamon Fern (Osmunda cinnamomea) Backup: Lady Fern (Athyrium filix-femina)
- 5. Columbine (Aquilegia canadensis) Backup: Wild Ginger (Asarum canadense)
- 6. Wild Geranium (Geranium maculatum) Backup: White Wood Aster (Eurybia divaricata)
- **7.** Jacob's Ladder (*Polemonium reptans*) Backup: Foamflower (*Tiarella cordifolia*)
- 8. Goatsbeard (Aruncus dioicus) Backup: Sensitive Fern (Onoclea sensibilis)
- 9. Christmas Fern (Polystichum acrostichoides) Backup: Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium)
- **10. Pennsylvania Sedge** (Carex pensylvanica) Backup: Rosy Sedge (Carex rosea)
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