

Get to Know Your Native Plants



Wild Bergamot – *Monarda fistulosa*

Characteristics: Wild bergamot can be found in fields, meadows, and ditches. It grows large clusters of lavender or pink flowers that are 5 - 10 cm per head. It will grow up to 1.5m tall.

Value: It is a beneficial nectar source for bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds.



Pearly Everlasting – *Anaphalis margaritacea*

Characteristics: Pearly everlasting can be found in open woods, roadsides, and waste areas. It has white petals arranged around a yellow centre in a globe-like shape. It will grow up to 1m tall

Value: It is a good food source for Painted Lady butterflies, and native bee species



New England Aster – *Symphotrichum novae-anglie*

Characteristics: New England aster can be found in wooded areas, meadows, and stream banks. It has dainty bright lavender petals that connect to the orange-yellow centres. It will grow up to 1.5m tall.

Value: Bees and butterflies frequent this flower. It is also a nectar source for monarch butterflies.



Evening Primrose - *Calylophus serrulatus*

Characteristics: Evening primrose can be found in dry open plains and prairies. It has brilliant yellow four-petaled flowers that continue to bloom throughout the summer. It will grow up to 1m tall.

Value: A good nectar source for pollinators, especially solitary bees.