

OUR PICKS FOR BEST NATIVE PERENNIALS FOR SUN

Environmentally Friendly with Low Maintenance & Water Requirements
Attract Native Songbirds Locally Grown in Collinsville

Creeping Winecup (Callirhoe involucrata)

grows 3"-6"h x 36"w

Purple blooms in spring. Winecups & bluebonnets welcome Spring to Texas. Great ground cover or use cascading over walls or rocks. Can cut back after spring bloom.

Blackfoot Daisy (Melampodium leucanthum)

grows 8"-12"h x 24"w

White blooms with yellow center Spring thru Fall. Full sun. Must stay dry. Cut back slightly in late spring if needed. If not doing well, they are almost always too wet.

<u>Sundrops</u> (Calylophus sp.)

grows 8"-12"h x 24"w

Yellow blooms in late spring. Full sun. Likes it hot & dry. Great for cascading over walls. Cut back in early spring.

Mexican Feather Grass (Nassella stipa)

grows 18"-24"h x 18"w

White plumes Summer thru Fall. Sun to shade. Native. Likes it dry. Will re-seed. Our favorite grass. Great in containers or in the ground. Clean with a rake in the spring. Do not cut back. Be patient, it's slow to return in Spring.

Whirling Butterflies (Guara lindheimeri)

grows 18"-24"h x 36"w

White or pink blooms Spring thru Fall. Tall, airy blooms work great as a "filler." Sun to part shade. Cut back for repeat bloom. "Pink Cloud" is one of our favorites.

<u>Purple Coneflower</u> (*Echinacea purpurea*)

grows 18"-24"h x 18"w

Native that blooms spring thru summer. Full sun to part shade. Many varieties to try. *Echinacea angstifolia* is the best here.

Autumn Sage (Salvia greggii)

grows 24"-30"h x 30"w

Many colors in late Spring to Summer blooms. Sun to part shade. Cut to ground in early spring. Blooms constantly on new growth.

Black Eyed Susan (Rudbeckia hirta)

grows 24"-30"h x 30"w

Yellow blooms with brown center Summer thru Fall. Full sun to part shade. Blooms in time for fall butterfly migration. Easy to grow, not picky at all.

Lantana (Lantana horrida)

grows 24"-30"h x 36+"w

Many colors available for late Spring to Fall blooms. Full sun to part shade, *L. horrida* is hardy shrub to 4' tall. All others not hardy but you can try covering with mulch and they might make it thru a mild winter. Cut back in winter. Fast growing.

Flame Acanthus (Anisacanthus sp.)

grows 30"-36"h x 36"w

Red blooms in late Spring thru Fall. Full sun to part shade. Let it grow into a shrub. Trim only as needed. Loved by hummingbirds!



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SHADES OF GREEN