






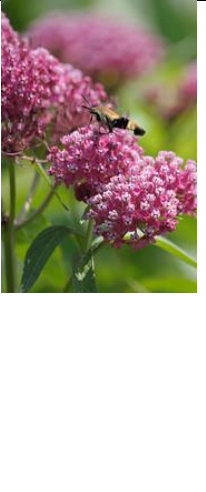






FRIENDS OF LAKE PANORAMA
 RAIN GARDEN PROJECT – PANORAMA WEST GOLF COURSE

PLANT NAME	IMAGE	COLOR	HEIGHT/SPACING	MOISTURE	SEASON	NOTES
Little Bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium)		Brown- Bronze, Red	2'-3' High Space: 1'	Dry	Aug, Sep't, Oct	Deer Resistant Incomparable Fall Color! The blue-green foliage provides a great backdrop for prairie flowers in summer, and then turns a striking crimson in fall. A patch of Little Bluestem waving in the wind is truly a wondrous sight, resembling ocean waves. A clump former, it combines nicely with prairie flowers.
Prairie Dropseed (Sporobolus heterolepis)		Straw-Gold	2'-4' High Space: 2'	Dry-Med	Aug, Sep't	Birds, Deer Resistant The showiest prairie grass for gardens, Prairie Dropseed's magnificent fountain of fine textured, emerald-green leaves adds a touch of elegance to any planting. Considered by many to be the most handsome of the prairie grasses, it makes a well-defined and distinctive border when planted 18 to 24 inches apart. Plains Indians ground the seed to make a tasty flour
Butterfly Milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa) *Planted with Blue Grama		Orange	2'-3' High Space: 12"-18"	Dry-Med	June, July, Aug	Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Deer Resistant, Pollinators The long-lasting and bright orange flowers along with its low mounded profile make this the most popular of milkweeds. True to its name Butterflyweed attracts legions of butterflies and is an important host plant for the caterpillars of Monarch, Grey Hairstreak, and Queen butterflies. A favorite prairie plant for all types of gardens, mature plants in an ideal location can become gorgeous specimens, with multiple flowering stems spreading across a 2' high plant.

<p>Prairie Smoke (<i>Geum triflorum</i>)</p>		<p>Pink</p>	<p>.25'-.5' High Space: 6"</p>	<p>Dry-Med</p>	<p>May, June</p>	<p>Deer Resistant, Drought Tolerant Prairie Smoke is one of the most distinctive and best loved prairie plants! The unique feathery pink seedheads make it a star of the spring garden. Basal leaves are fern-like, deeply serrated with hairy margins. Each flowering stem holds three nodding, pink bell-shaped flowers. Once these flowers are fertilized the real show begins, as the nodding blooms transform into upright clusters of long, feathery pink plumes. A mass of Prairie Smoke creates a pinkish haze that can last for a month or more. While not truly evergreen, the leaves can persist through winter, turning attractive shades of red and crimson. Plants will spread slowly by rhizome to form a groundcover.</p>
<p>Prairie Blazing Star (<i>Liatris Pycnostachya</i>)</p>		<p>Pink-Purple</p>	<p>3'-5' High Space: 6"-1'</p>	<p>Med-Moist</p>	<p>July, Aug</p>	<p>Deer Resistant, Butterflies, Birds, Hummingbirds, Pollinators <i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> is truly majestic with its spectacular spike of tightly bunched lavender flowers. The name pycnostachya is from the Greek for "crowded" - an apt description of the densely crowded flowers which begin blooming at the top and work their way down the single stem. The deer resistant Prairie Blazingstar makes an excellent cut flower and holds its color well when dried. Butterflies, bees, hummingbirds and moths all visit this plant, including the rare Glorious Flower Moth which feeds on the flowers and seed capsules of this and other <i>Liatris</i> species.</p>

<p>Culver's Root (<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>)</p>		<p>White</p>	<p>3'-6' High Space: 18"</p>	<p>Med-Moist</p>	<p>July, Aug</p>	<p>Butterflies, Pollinators This stately specimen is prized for its well-defined, clean lines. Elegant spires of white flowers crown the whorls of deep green leaves. Culver's Root (<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i>) creates a unique vertical accent</p>
<p>Beardtongue (<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i>)</p>		<p>Lavender</p>	<p>2'-3' High Space: 1'</p>	<p>Dry</p>	<p>May, June</p>	<p>Hummingbirds One of the showiest of all North American native Penstemons, <i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i> can reach heights of three feet with stunning pink to purple flowers that bloom for just a few weeks in May or June. The bloom time is short, but the plant has beautiful vertical structure and unique foliage, making it a versatile player in the garden or naturalized setting. Leaves have a succulent appearance.</p>
<p>Red Milkweed (<i>Asclepias incarnate</i>)</p>		<p>Red, Pink</p>	<p>3'-5' High Space: 12"-18"</p>	<p>Moist-Wet</p>	<p>June, July</p>	<p>Deer Resistant, Birds, Butterflies Red Milkweed is very popular with pollinators. Hawk moths, Swallowtail butterflies, Greater Fritillaries, Monarch butterflies, skippers, bumble bees and numerous other nectar-seekers will visit this plant - even an occasional hummingbird. The leaves are a preferred food source for caterpillars of both the Monarch and Queen butterflies. A beautiful addition to sunny border gardens, water features, or the butterfly garden, Red Milkweed is also a good for naturalizing in low spots or other moist areas in the landscape.</p>

<p>Bottle Gentian (<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>)</p>		<p>Blue/Purple</p>	<p>1'-2' High Space: 1'</p>	<p>Moist-Wet</p>	<p>Aug, Sep't, Oct</p>	<p>Bottle Gentian's deep blue flowers never actually open, giving them their bottle-like appearance. The blooms are pollinated exclusively by bumblebees, which pry open the flowers to gain entry into the inner sanctum. Bottle Gentian are slow-growing but long-lived and require little care once established. Blooming late into the fall, <i>Gentiana andrewsii</i> seems impervious to the effects of Jack Frost.</p>
<p>Blue Flag Iris (<i>Iris versicolor</i>)</p>		<p>Blue</p>	<p>2'-3' High Space:1'</p>	<p>Wet</p>	<p>June, July</p>	<p>Blue Flag Iris grows to form nice patches of deep blue flowers and is excellent for naturalizing around ponds, lakeshores, and low, wet areas. Very attractive to hummingbirds, <i>Iris versicolor</i> looks great when potted and sunk into wetland ponds and water gardens.</p>
<p>New Jersey Tea (<i>Ceanothus americanus</i>)</p>		<p>White</p>	<p>2'-3' High Space: 3'</p>	<p>Dry-Med</p>	<p>July, Aug</p>	<p>Deer Resistant, Butterflies, Hummingbirds, Pollinators New Jersey Tea plant is excellent for attracting hummingbirds. The luxuriant glossy leaves and bright white flowers make this durable shrub a real winner. Plant two to three feet apart to create a low growing, drought tolerant native hedge. <i>Ceanothus americanus</i> is visited by hummingbirds, which eat the tiny insects that pollinate the flowers.</p>
<p>Prairie or Nodding Onion (<i>Allium stenatum</i>) or (<i>Allium cernuum</i>)</p>		<p>lavender</p>	<p>1'-2' High Space: 6"</p>	<p>Dry</p>	<p>July, Aug, Sep't</p>	<p>Nodding Pink Onion is long-lived, super hardy and looks great in short prairie gardens and meadows. Plant this allium in masses for a stunning late summer effect. It thrives in any moderately rich soil, from rocky hillsides to damp clay</p>