



## Native Perennials for a Sunny Garden

A half-dozen dependable choices for full sun to part shade that are unusual enough to be called Bowood Favorites:

### *allium cernuum* — nodding pink onion

Late summer bloomer that attracts butterflies and pollinators; strong, grass-like foliage; naturalizes by self-seeding and offsets; deadhead (cut flowers for bouquets!) to discourage seeding; deer resistant.

Height: 12" – 18"      Light: Full sun – part shade      Blooms: June-August  
Width: 8" – 12"      Moisture: Dry to medium; tolerates drought

### *baptisia australis* — blue false indigo

Shrub-like perennial; lovely, blue-green foliage - looks great even when pea-like blue blooms are finished; blue-black seedpods in late summer; needs time to establish; develops a deep taproot and doesn't like being transplanted; rabbit resistant.

Height: 30" – 36"      Light: Full sun – part shade      Blooms: May-June  
Width: 36" – 48"      Moisture: Medium; tolerates drought

### *eryngium yuccifolium* — rattlesnake master

Twisting, sword-shaped, silvery-green foliage; spiky, greenish-white, thistle-like flowers add texture to the garden and in mixed arrangements; deer and rabbit resistant.

Height: 48" – 60"      Light: Full sun      Blooms: July-August  
Width: 24" – 36"      Moisture: Dry; extremely drought tolerant

### *iris virginica var. shrevei* — southern blue flag

Fragrant, violet-blue flowers with yellow and white crests; attracts butterflies; sprawling, graceful foliage; lovely addition to water features or rain gardens; deer resistant.

Height: 18" – 24"      Light: Full sun      Blooms: June  
Width: 18" – 24"      Moisture: Medium to wet

### *lobelia siphilitica* — great blue lobelia

Spikes of rich blue flowers for late summer color; lush, spinach-like, crinkled foliage; attracts butterflies and hummingbirds; deer resistant.

Height: 24" – 36"      Light: Full sun      Blooms: July-August  
Width: 12" – 18"      Moisture: Dry; extremely drought tolerant

### *rudbeckia maxima* — dumbo's ears

Cabbage-like, powder blue basal leaves; super-tall stems are topped with deep gold flowers with very tall cones that attract butterflies, bees and finches; very dramatic yet easy-going; deer resistant.

Height: 60" – 84"      Light: Full sun      Blooms: June-July  
Width: 36" – 48"      Moisture: Medium to wet; tolerates heat and drought

# Native Perennials for a Shady Garden

These lovely choices for a shade garden are reliable as well as unique and have earned their place in our gardens:

## *aquilegia canadensis* — wild columbine

Nodding yellow and red flowers on tall graceful stems; provides an early nectar source for butterflies and hummingbirds; naturalizes when content; cut back foliage to rejuvenate after blooming.

<u>Height:</u>	12" – 24"	<u>Light:</u>	Part shade	<u>Blooms:</u>	April-May
<u>Width:</u>	10" – 12"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Medium		

## *chelone obliqua* — rose turtlehead

Spikes of cheerful, rosy flowers in late summer; makes a great cut flower; prune back hard in late spring to promote compactness; forms a vigorous clump; attracts butterflies and hummingbirds.

<u>Height:</u>	24" – 36"	<u>Light:</u>	Part shade – full sun	<u>Blooms:</u>	July-August
<u>Width:</u>	14" – 18"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Medium to wet		

## *geranium maculatum* — wild geranium

Lilac-pink blooms on tall stems above deeply cut foliage; appears very delicate but is deer and rabbit resistant; naturalizes under optimum conditions; attracts butterflies.

<u>Height:</u>	18" – 24"	<u>Light:</u>	Part shade – full sun	<u>Blooms:</u>	April-May
<u>Width:</u>	12" – 18"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Medium; tolerates poor soils		

## *phlox divaricata* — wild sweet william

Clusters of small pale blue, star-shaped flowers are great tulip companions; forms a tight mat of semi-evergreen foliage; attracts butterflies and hummingbirds and is deer resistant.

<u>Height:</u>	12" – 16"	<u>Light:</u>	Shade – part shade	<u>Blooms:</u>	April-May
<u>Width:</u>	10" – 12"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Medium		

## *sedum ternatum* — native stonecrop

Bright white clustered flowers cover the low-growing, succulent foliage in spring; great for underplanting; attracts pollinators; the only sedum that will grow in shade; deer and rabbit resistant.

<u>Height:</u>	2" – 4"	<u>Light:</u>	Part shade – full sun	<u>Blooms:</u>	April-May
<u>Width:</u>	6" – 12"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Dry; extremely drought tolerant		

## *spigelia marilandica* — indian pink

Stunning, bright red blooms that reveal yellow throats; sturdy upright stems and attractive foliage; attracts hummingbirds; rare.

<u>Height:</u>	12" – 24"	<u>Light:</u>	Shade – part shade	<u>Blooms:</u>	June
<u>Width:</u>	12" – 18"	<u>Moisture:</u>	Medium		

## More favorites!

Of course we couldn't stop with just a dozen – these are also quite wonderful, just ask us where to find them!

<i>Asarum canadense</i>	Wild Ginger	<i>Liatris spicata</i>	Marsh Blazing Star
<i>Callirhoe involucrata</i>	Purple Poppy Mallow	<i>Mertensia virginica</i>	Virginia Bluebells
<i>Dicentra cucullaria</i>	Dutchman's Breeches	<i>Oenothera macrocarpa</i>	Missouri Evening Primrose
<i>Echinacea paradoxa</i>	Yellow Coneflower	<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>	Small Solomon's Seal
<i>Iris fulva</i>	Copper Iris	<i>Stylophorum diphyllum</i>	Celandine Poppy