

Going Native: Beautify Your Property While Helping The Environment

WHAT ARE NATIVE PLANTS?

Species that naturally occur in PA and have adapted to our local climate, soils and wildlife over thousands of years. Because they belong here, they generally require less water, fertilizer and maintenance than many non-native ornamental plants.



WHY PLANT NATIVE?

Improve Water Quality

Native plants develop deep root systems that help absorb storm water, reduce runoff, and filter pollutants before they reach our lakes and streams.

Support Pollinators

Many native bees, butterflies, hummingbirds and other beneficial insects rely on native plants for food and habitat.

Provide Wildlife Habitat

Native trees, shrubs and flowers offer food, nesting sites and shelter for birds and other wildlife.

Reduce Maintenance

Once established, native plants often require less watering, fertilizing and pest control than traditional Landscaping

GREAT NATIVE PLANTS FOR ARROWHEAD LAKE

Flowers & Pollinator Plants	Shrubs	Trees
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Black-Eyed Susan• Purple Coneflower• Bee Balm• Butterfly Weed• New England Aster	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winterberry• Dogwood• Ninebark• Buttonbush	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serviceberry• Eastern Redbud• River Birch• White Oak

EASY WAYS TO GET STARTED

- Replace a small section of lawn with native flowers
- Add native shrubs around your property
- Plant a native tree for shade and wildlife value
- Leave some seed heads standing through winter to provide food for birds.
- Reduce or eliminate the use of pesticides whenever possible.

EVERY NATIVE PLANT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Plant Native. Support Wildlife. Protect Our Waters.

<https://extension.psu.edu/incorporate-pennsylvania-native-perennial-plants-into-the-garden>