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1	<i>Actaea pachypoda</i> – <b>White Baneberry; Dolls-Eyes</b>	1-3'/30 to 90 cm.	White flowers, White fruit with black eye	Flower	May and June	Full sun to half Shade	moist, rich woods; any average to damp soil Sand, Loam, Clay	All parts are poisonous	White Baneberry or Dolls-Eyes
2	<i>Actaea rubra</i> – <b>Red Baneberry; Dolls-Eyes</b>	1-3'/30 to 90 cm.	White flowers, Red fruit	Flower	May and June	Partial sun to Shade	moist, rich woods; Sand, Loam, Clay	All parts are poisonous	Red Baneberry or Dolls-Eyes
3	<i>Andropogon gerardi</i> – <b>Big Bluestem Grass</b> . A tall, graceful habit in late summer with characteristic “turkey foot” seed head	3-6'/90 to 180 cm.	Green to reddish copper	Grass	August to October	Full sun	Dry sandy soil. Prairie/Savannah	Seeds for birds	Big Bluestem Grass
4	<i>Antennaria neglecta</i> – <b>Pussytoes</b> . White fluffy flower like cat's feet	4-12"/Up to 30 cm.	White	Flower	Early May	Sun	Dry fields. Open slopes	Butterflies, especially Painted Lady	Pussytoes
5	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> – <b>Wild Columbine</b> Red/Yellow drooping skirt-like flowers with spurs	1-2'/30 to 60 cm.	Red/Yellow	Flower	Late May	Partial shade/sun	Medium moist woodlands and openings	Hummingbirds, bees and moths	Wild Columbine
6	<i>Aralia racemosa</i> – <b>Spikenard</b>	6'/180 cm.	Greenish white flowers,	Flower	July to August	Sun	Ginseng family. Woods. Well-drained organically rich soil		Spikenard
7	<i>Asarum canadense</i> – <b>Wild Ginger</b> . Large spade shaped leaves, roots and stems have ginger smell.	6-8"/15 to 20 cm.	Heart shaped green leaves, 1 maroon	Groundcover	Late spring	Shade	Medium to moist, not wet. Rich soil. Lower ravine slopes. East &	Attracts pollinators, shelter	Wild Ginger
8	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> - <b>Butterfly Milkweed</b> Also known as Pleurisy Root	1-3' / 30 to 90 cm	Bright Orange	Flower	June to September	Full Sun to light shade	Well-drained, dry to average moisture	Butterflies - larval host plants to the Monarch and Queen butterfly	Butterfly Milkweed
9	<i>Aster oolentangiensis</i> – <b>Sky Blue Aster</b> Delicate sky blue flowers	2-4'/30 to 80 cm.	Sky blue	Flower	September, October	Sun	Medium dry soil Prairie/savannah	Butterflies	Sky Blue Aster
10	<i>Betula papyrifera</i> - <b>Paper or White Birch</b> White bark. Used to make canoes	45-75'/15-25m	-	Tree	-	Full sun	Medium sandy soil	Birds eat catkins, seeds	Paper or White Birch
11	<i>Betula lutea (alleghaniensis)</i> - <b>Yellow Birch</b>	45-70'/15-22m	Green	Deciduous tree	Spring	Sun - partial shade	Moist mixed woods	butterfly larval plant, food for birds, shelter, food for mammals	Yellow Birch
12	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i> – <b>Harebell</b> . Small violet-blue bell-like flowers	12'/30 cm.	Delicate blue	Flower	Summer and fall	Full sun	Thickets, wood edges. Tolerates dry soil	Hover bees	Harebell
13	<i>Carex merritt-feraldii</i> - <b>Merritt-Fernaldi's Sedge</b> Upright sedge with narrow leaves	20-40"/50-100cm	-	Sedge	-	Partial Shade/Sun	Dry sandy soil	Sedges host butterflies	Merritt-Fernaldi's Sedge
14	<i>Carex pendunculata</i> - <b>Early Flowering Sedge</b> . Upright sedge with narrow leaves	20-40"/50-100cm	-	Sedge	-	Shade	Moist	Sedges host butterflies	Early Flowering Sedge
15	<i>Chelone glabra</i> – <b>Turtlehead</b> Flat snapdragon-like flower	1-3'/30 to 90 cm.	White	Flower	July to September	Sun	Moist to wet	Butterflies	Turtlehead
16	<i>Clematis virginiana</i> – <b>Virgin's Bower</b> Also called “Old Man's Beard” and Wild Clematis. Showy white flowers with bright green foliage	12'/4m	White	Flower	July to September	Prefers some shade during the day	Moist well-drained	Purple finches nest in vine	Wild Clematis or Virgin's Bower
17	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i> - <b>Pagoda Dogwood, Alternate-leaf Dogwood</b>	To 20', tree form	Creamy white	Shrub	June	Sun to partial shade	All soils		Pagoda Dogwood

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18	<i>Cornus sericea</i> – <b>Red-Osier Dogwood</b> - White flat clusters of flowers and white to pale blue berries in fall. stems are reddish (purple-red) from late summer into early fall	6' to 10' tall with an equal or greater spread	White	Deciduous shrub -	Late May to early June	Full sun to light shade	Adaptable to many soils, but likes moisture	Foliage and bark used by birds and mammals. Fruit eaten by birds in winter as not favoured when ripened.	Red-Osier Dogwood
19	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i> – <b>Purple Coneflower</b> . A show stopper not native to Ontario	2-3'/60 to 90 cm.	Purple	Flower	June to October	Sun	Medium soil. Prairie	Butterflies	Purple Coneflower
20	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i> – <b>Blue Bottle Gentian</b> Also called Closed Gentian	1-2'/30 to 60cm	Blue	Flower	August to October	Full sun/partial shade	Moist to average soil	bumblebees	Blue Bottle Gentian
21	<i>Gentiana andrewsii allia</i> – <b>White Bottle Gentian</b>	1-2'/30 to 60cm	White	Flower	August to October	Full sun/partial shade	Moist to average soil	bumblebees and other pollinators	White Bottle Gentian
22	<i>Geranium maculatum</i> - <b>Wild Geranium</b> . Attractive pink flower and foliage	1-2'/30 to 60 cm.	Pink to purple	Flower	Late spring and early summer	Partial shade/sun	Dry to moist. Deciduous woods	Seeds for birds and small mammals	Wild Geranium
23	<i>Hystris patula</i> – <b>Bottlebrush Grass</b> . Cylinder headed seedhead with long awns	40"/100 cm.	Green	Grass		Shade	Medium dry oak woodland	Nectar for butterflies and hummingbirds	Bottlebrush Grass
24	<i>Liatris cylindracea</i> – <b>Blazing Star</b> . Bright purple flowers	1-2'/30 to 60 cm.	Bright purple	Flower	Mid-July to early August	Partial shade/sun	Medium dry soil Prairie/Savannah	Butterflies, hummingbirds and bees	Blazing Star
25	<i>Liatris spicata</i> – <b>Blazing Star</b> . Dense wand of small thistle-like blossoms	1-4'/30 to 120 cm.	Bright purple	Flower	Mid-July to September	Sun/ Shade	Medium to dry soil. Prairie/Savannah	Butterflies, hummingbirds and bees	Blazing Star
26	<i>Lobelia Cardinalis</i> - <b>Cardinal Flower</b> . Striking tubular red flowers covering stalks	2 – 4'	Brilliant Red	Flower	July to Sept.	Sun, partial shade	Damp to wet soils, riversides, pond edges	Hummingbirds	Cardinal Flower
27	<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> – <b>Great Blue Lobelia</b> Blue flower with white markings	3'/90cm	Blue	Flower	August to September	Partial Shade/Sun	Likes wet feet	Butterflies and bees	Great Blue Lobelia
28	<i>Luzula multiflora</i> – <b>Wood Rush</b> Small, forms rosettes. Attractive in fall and winter	Up to 3'/Up to 90 cm.	Red-brown	Rush	Early spring	Sun to partial shade	Dry to moist meadows		Wood Rush
29	<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> – <b>False Solomon's Seal</b> Berries when ripe are ruby red	1-3'/ 30 to 90cm	White	Flower	May to July	Deep Shade to partial sun	Dry to moist	Birds eat berries	False Solomon's Seal
30	<i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> – <b>Starry False Solomon's Seal</b> Also known as Star-flowered Solomon's Seal or Little False Solomon's Seal. Berries when ripe turn a port wine colour	2'/ 60cm	White	Flower	May to August	Sun	Moist soil	Birds eat berries	Starry False Solomon's Seal
31	<i>Mitella diphylla</i> – <b>Mitrewort or Bishop's Cap</b>	10-18"/ 25 to 45cm	White	Flower	April to May	Sun in spring then shade	Moist soil		Mitrewort or Bishop's Cap
32	<i>Panicum virgatum</i> – <b>Panic Grass, Switch Grass</b> Robust clump former. Loose seedhead	4-6'/ 120 to 180 cm.	Purple in flower, then tan	Grass	Mid-summer to autumn	Sun	Medium to dry soil. Tall grass prairies, sand dunes etc.	Migrating birds eat seeds	Panic Grass, Switch Grass
33	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i> – <b>Foxglove Beardtongue</b> Tubular flowers	2-3'/60 to 90 cm.	White	Flower	May to July	Sun	Fields, prairies, open woods	Seeds for birds and small mammals	Foxglove Beardtongue
34	<i>Penstemon hirsutus</i> - <b>Hairy Beardtongue</b> Showy trumpet-shaped flower	1-3'/30 to 90cm	Blue/Purple	Flower	June to July	Sun	Medium dry soil Prairie/Savannah	Seed for birds and small mammals	Hairy Beardtongue
35	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i> - <b>Ninebark</b> . Reddish-green seeds late summer to fall. Peeling bark. Yellow to bronze fall color	6-10'/2-3m	White-pinkish flowers	Thicket-forming deciduous shrub	May - June	Sun or partial sun, adaptable	Moist well-drained soil, but adaptable	Birds eat seeds, foliage for deer	Ninebark

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36	<i>Quercus velutina</i> - <b>Black Oak</b>	70"/20m		deciduous tree	Spring	Sun	dry, slopes, mixed stands	shelter, winter and summer food for birds and mammals, butterfly larval plant	Black Oak
37	<i>Rhus typhina</i> – <b>Staghorn Sumac</b> . Ornamental tree (1 gallon pots)	Up to 15'/Up to 4.5 metres	Red fall colour	Tree	Foliage turns bright red-orange to crimson in fall	Full sun	Rocky hillside. Dry to moist	Seeds and fruit used by birds and mammals	Staghorn Sumac
38	<i>Rosa Blanda</i> – <b>Smooth Rose</b> Fragrant. Thornless	2-5'/60 to 150 cm.	Pale Pink	Flower	June to August	Sun	Dry sandy soil	Butterflies	Smooth Rose
39	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> – <b>Black-eyed Susan</b> . Dazzling Sunflower-type	2-3'/60 to 90 cm.	Yellow	Flower	June to October	Sun	Dry soil		Black-eyed Susan
40	<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> – <b>Green-headed Coneflower</b> Yellow daisy-like flowers	3-12'/Up to 3.5 metres	Yellow	Flower	July to September	Partial shade/sun	Meadowlands	Seeds for birds	Green-headed Coneflower
41	<i>Sambucus canadensis</i> – <b>Common Elderberry</b> Purplish-black berries used for wine and jelly	10'/3m	White	Flowering shrub with berries	June	Partial shade	Moist well-drained	Dark-purple fruit attracts song birds	Common Elderberry
42	<i>Sambucus pubens</i> - <b>Red Elderberry</b> . Red berries for birds only, poisonous to humans	10'/3m	White	Flowering shrub with berries	May	Partial shade	Moist well-drained	Red fruit attracts song birds	Red or Scarlet Elderberry
43	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> – <b>Little Bluestem Grass</b> . Leaves range through blue and green hues to bright red	2-4'/12 to 120 cm.	Blue/green/red hues	Grass	White seedstalks in late October	Sun	Dry to moist soil	Butterflies. Birds eat seeds	Little Bluestem Grass
44	<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i> – <b>Cup Plant</b> Leaves form cup that holds water for thirsty insects	6'/2m	Yellow daisy like flower	Flower	July to September	Full sun	Tolerates moist soil	Birds, butterflies and insects	Cup Plant
45	<i>Sisyrinchium montanum</i> – <b>Blue-eyed Grass</b> Grass-like foliage	24"/60cm	Light-blue flowers with a yellow eye	Flower	June to July	Full sun	Moist well-drained	Bees	Blue-eyed Grass
46	<i>Solidago bicolor</i> – <b>Silverrod</b> Rare goldenrod - wand-like white flower spike	24-30"/ 60 to 75 cm	White	Flower	July to October	Sun	Dry to medium soil	Butterflies	Silverrod
47	<i>Solidago nemoralis</i> – <b>Gray Goldenrod</b> . Small goldenrod	1-2'/30 to 60 cm.	Bright yellow-gold	Flower	August to October	Full sun	Well drained to dry soil	Nectar for butterflies, seeds for birds	Gray Goldenrod
48	<i>Solidago parvicoides</i> – <b>Upland White Goldenrod</b>	10-12"/ 25 to 30cm	White	Flower	August to September	Sun	Well drained to dry soil	Nectar for butterflies, seeds for birds	Upland White Goldenrod
49	<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i> – <b>Indian Grass</b> . Six to ten inch graceful plumes. Very ornamental. Silky soft golden-brown seed heads	3-5'/90 to 150 cm.	Dangling flower parts bright yellow	Grass	Autumn	Sun	Medium to dry soil. Prairie/savannah	Butterflies and birds	Indian Grass
50	<i>Thalictrum polygamum</i> – <b>Tall Meadow Rue</b> Delicate foliage. Starry bursts of long white stamens	36-96"/ 90 to 240 cm	White	Flower	July to September	Shade	Moist forest		Tall Meadow Rue
51	<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> - <b>Foam Flower</b> Delicate white spike. Long stamens. Spreading habit. Also called Baby Horses' Hooves	20 to 30cm/8 to 12"	White	Flower	April to May	Shady woodlands	Prefers moist to medium soil,	Seeds eaten by ruffed grouse	Foam Flower