

Deer-Resistant Native Plants

Replacing any amount of your turfgrass lawn with native plants will create positive benefits that extend beyond your yard. Here are 20 deer-resistant plants native to CT that we recommend to get you started.




- Ornamental qualities
- Nectar for pollinators
- Support moth and butterfly populations
- Seed heads feed birds

#1 Prairie Dropseed
Sporobolus heterolepis



#2 Little Bluestem
Schizachyrium scoparium



#3 Switchgrass
Panicum virgatum



'Shenandoah'

'Heavy Metal'

#4 Yarrow
Achillea millefolium



'Moonshine'

#5 Hyssop
Agastache



'Blue Fortune'

'Black Adder'

#6 Blue Star
Amsonia hubrichtii



Fall color

#7 Milkweed
Asclepias



Swamp Milkweed
A. incarnata

Butterfly Weed
A. tuberosa

#8 Aster
Symphyotrichum



Aromatic Aster

Panicled Aster

#9 False/Wild Indigo
Baptisia



False Blue Indigo



White Wild Indigo

#10 Coreopsis



Lanceleaf



Threadleaf tickseed

#11 Coneflower
Echinacea purpurea



#12 Eupatorium



Joe Pye Weed
E. maculatum



Boneset
E. hyssopifolium

#13 Helenium



Sneezeweed



Red Shades

#14 Blue Flag Iris
Iris versicolor



#15 Blazing Star
Liatis spicata



#16 Bee Balm
Monarda



Wild Bergamot
M. fistulosa



Dotted Mint
M. punctata

#17 Mountain Mint
Pycnanthemum



Blunt/clustered
P. muticum



Slender
P. tenuifolium

#18 Goldenrod
Solidago



Showy
S. speciosa



'Fireworks'
S. rugosa

#19 Ironweed
Veronia



NY Ironweed
V. noveboracensis



Iron Butterfly
V. lettermani

#20 Culver's Root
Veronicastrum



'Fascination'