

Native Shade Plants

Plant for pollinators, clean water, and our earth

Wild ginger
Jacob's ladder
Wild geranium
Bishop's cap
Wild blue phlox
Mountain mint
Calico aster
Bloodroot
Wood lily
Alumroot

Pennsylvania sledge
Yellow violets
Solomon's seal
Pagoda dogwood
Ohio spiderwort
Common yarrow
Bearberry
False strawberry
Harebells



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bwsr.state.mn.us/l2l
monarchjointventure.org



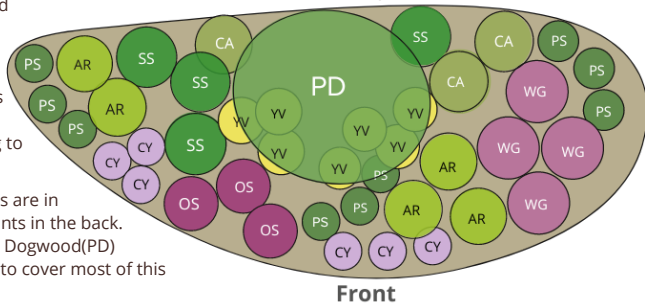
When planting in a shady spot, consider:

- **Leaving a spot of soil bare:** To support ground nesting pollinators (which make up 80% of native bees), keep an area of soil bare and mulch-free in a well-drained, ideally south-facing planting.
- **Using mulch sparingly:** Too much mulch can prevent the formation of pollinator habitats. If it is needed for weed suppression and erosion control, only apply mulch for the first few years until plants are established.
- **Creating overwintering areas:** When cutting back wildflower stems in the fall, leave standing stubble 12"-18" tall to provide nesting sites for stem nesting bees to lay their eggs in. This stubble will break down naturally with time.
- **Incorporating clean water:** Add bird baths, saucers, water features, or rocks with shallow indentations, and change the water frequently to prevent mosquito larvae from hatching. Pollinators need clean water.
- **Use this rule of thumb when selecting plants:**
 - **Part sun/shade:** between 3-6 hours of sunlight
 - **Shade:** less than 3 hours of sunlight

The plants featured in this 15'x6' template are selected for their beautiful foliage as well as continuous bloom from spring to fall.

Low-growing plants are in the front, taller plants in the back. Over time, Pagoda Dogwood(PD) foliage will spread to cover most of this garden.

Shade Garden for Pollinators



- CA Calico Aster
- CY Common Yarrow
- OS Ohio Spiderwort
- WG Wild Geranium
- PD Pagoda Dogwood
- SS Solomon's Seal
- AR Alumroot
- YV Yellow Violets
- PS Pennsylvania sedge