# 385
**Acorus calamus**
*(Sweet Flag)*
- 1 to 4 feet tall
- Semi aquatic plant and full to partial sun
- Flower blooms late spring to early summer for about a month
- Plan spreads vegetatively and often forms colonies
- Aromatic plant

# 365
**Alnus rugosa**
*(Red Alder)*
- Grows 15 to 25 feet tall and has multiple thin trunks
- Shade tolerant and prefers wet soils

# 101
**Andropogon gerardii**
*(Big bluestem)*
- 5 to 7 feet tall
- Varied soils and full sun
- This tall plant is often burgundy colored in the fall.
- Provides cover, nesting, and food for wildlife
# 321
**Anemone canadensis**
(Canada anemone)
- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Varied soils and partial sun
- The bright white flowers bloom in June.
- The plant makes an attractive ground cover.

# 218
**Anemone virginiana**
(Thimbleweed)
- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Varied soils and shade
- The creamy white flower blooms in June. This hardy plant provides clumped ground cover.

# 381
**Angelica atropurpurea**
(Angelica)
- 4 to 6 feet tall
- Wet to moist soil, sun to partial shade.
- Smooth dark purple stem with large green flowers in round heads blooming in June.
#220

*Aquilegia canadensis*

(Wild columbine)

- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Dry, sandy soil and partial sun
- The showy red and yellow flowers bloom in June.
- Attracts hummingbirds

#211

*Aralia racemosa*

(Spikenard)

- 2 to 6 feet tall
- Rich soils and partial sun
- The white flowers bloom May to July and produce deep purple berries in late summer.
- Behaves more like a shrub and is an under-story plant in woodland gardens. Allow room for it to grow.

#104

*Aristida purpurascens*

(Three awned grass)

- 1 to 1.5 feet tall
- Dry sandy soil and full sun
- A small, hearty bunch grass with light colored, delicate seed stalks.
Aronia prunifolium (Black Chokeberry)
- 3 to 6 feet tall and wide
- Grows in both wet and dry areas in full sun to light shade
- Glossy leaves in the summer that turn red in the fall.
- Produces small white flowers in May followed by small black fruit

Artemisia campestris (Wormwood)
- 4 inches to 3 feet tall
- Sandy soil, full sun
- Grows on Michigan’s sand dunes. The plant has a silvery blue-green color to its foliage and yellow blooms.

Asclepias incarnata (Swamp milkweed)
- 3 to 4 feet tall
- Moist soil and partial sun
- The pink and purple flowers bloom in late summer.
- Attracts butterflies
#124

_Asclepias syriaca_  
(Common milkweed)

- 3 to 4 feet tall
- Dry soil and full sun
- The white and lavender flowers bloom in June and July.
- Attracts butterflies and bees. Very important to insects, including Monarchs

#125

_Asclepias tuberosa_  
(Butterflyweed)

- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Dry soil and full sun
- The attractive orange flowers bloom in July.
- Attracts butterflies

#180

_Asclepias verticillata_  
(Whorled milkweed)

- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Full sun and dry soils; excellent plant for nutrient-poor sites
- Leaves thin and thread-like
- Very important host and nectar plant for many insects
#183
**Asclepias viridiflora**
(Green Milkweed)
- Grows 1 to 3 feet
- Bloom from June to September
- Prefers full sun and dry soils
- Pale green flowers occur in clusters

#285
**Aster cordifolius x A. sagittifolius**
(Aster Hybrid)
- Full sun to partial shade
- Dry to moist soil

#323
**Aster firmus**
(Smooth swamp aster)
- 2 to 8 feet tall
- Wet soil and partial shade or full sun
- White flowers bloom late summer to fall
- Attracts butterflies and bees
Aster laevis (Smooth aster)
- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Dry soil and full sun
- The attractive blue and violet flowers bloom in late fall. This plant is drought tolerant.
- Attracts butterflies and bees

Aster lateriflorus (Calico Aster)
- Small white flowers with yellow centers that age to reddish purple
- Grows 1 to 3 feet
- Light shade to partial sun and moist soil
- Attract a variety of insects and caterpillars

Aster macrophyllus (Big-leaved aster)
- 1 to 2 feet tall
- Varied soils and shade
- The attractive light purple flowers bloom in the fall.
- This plant provides a hearty ground cover.
#127
*Aster novae-angliae*  
(New England aster)
- 4 to 5 feet tall
- Varied soils and full sun
- The purple/pink flowers bloom in late fall.
- Attracts butterflies and bees

#128
*Aster oolentangiensis*  
(Prairie heart-leaved aster)
- 2 to 4 feet tall
- Dry soil and full sun
- The bright purple flowers bloom in late fall. This plant is drought tolerant.
- Attracts butterflies and bees

#324
*Aster puniceus*  
(Swamp aster)
- 4 to 5 feet tall
- Wet soil and full sun
- Lavender to purple flower heads contrast the dark purple stem of this attractive, long-lived wetland perennial
- Attracts bees and butterflies
#325

*Aster umbellatus*
*(Flat-topped aster)*

- 2 to 3 feet tall
- Moist soil and full sun
- This plant has erect stems with bright white flat-topped flowers that bloom in late summer.
- Pollinated by moths, bees, and butterflies