



SUMMER-BLOOMING POLLINATOR-FRIENDLY PLANTS

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Trees



Linden, *Tilia spp.*



Oak, *Quercus spp.*



Shrubs/vines



Aralia, *Aralia spp.*



Abelia, *Abelia x grandiflora*



Butterfly bush,
Buddleja spp. (low-seed varieties)



Bottlebrush buckeye,
Aesculus parviflora



Buttonbush,
Cephaelanthus occidentalis



Diervilla,
Diervilla spp.



Panicle hydrangea,
Hydrangea paniculata



St. John's Wort 'Sunburst',
Hypericum frondosum



Herbs



Dill
Anethum graveolens



Fennel,
Foeniculum vulgare



Thyme
Thymus spp.



Mints,
Mentha spp.



Lavender,
Lavandula spp.



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Perennials



Russian sage,
Perovskia atriplicifolia



Coneflower (single bloom),
Echinacea spp.



Liatris, *Liatris spp.*



Bee balm, *Monarda spp.*



Ornamental onion 'Millenium',
Allium 'Millenium'



Joe Pye weed,
Eupatorium maculatum



Milkweed, *Asclepias spp.*



Annuals



Pentas, *Pentas spp.*



Salvia, *Salvia spp.*



Tall verbena,
Verbena bonariensis



Zinnia, *Zinnia spp.*



Sunflowers,
Helianthus spp.



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