

# Raingarden kit



## Grey Headed Coneflower

This coneflower is much taller than the related Prairie Coneflower, blooms later, and has much larger leaves. Typically blooms from late June through August and can reach mature heights of 3-7 feet tall.



## Blue Flag Iris

Matures to a height of 24-36" and grows best in wet and mesic soil conditions. Prefers full sun to partial shade and blooms in late May through July. It's deep purple flowers are very showy and attract a multitude of pollinators.



## New England Aster

Like most asters it blooms late in the season and provides a critical fall nectar source for pollinators. This deer resistant native prefers moist, rich soils and can reach heights up to 6 feet tall.



## Marsh Milkweed

Also known as Swamp Milkweed, this native grows in damp to wet soils and also in cultivated gardens. The flowers attract butterflies and other pollinators with nectar. Like other milkweeds it has a latex chemical that repels insects and other herbivorous animals.



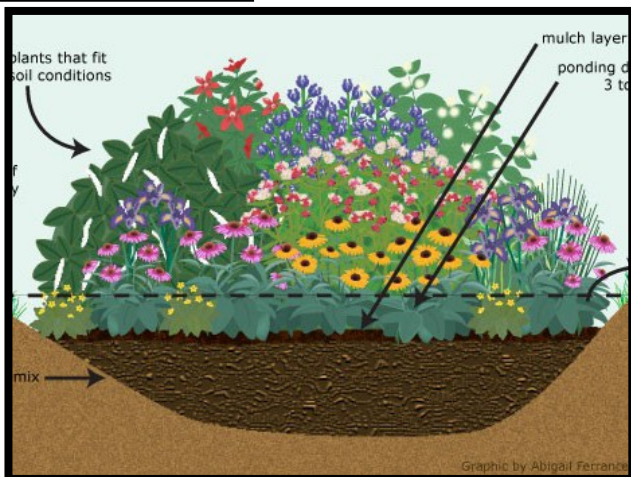
## Sweet Black Eyed Susan

This native flower grows at the base to form large clumps with strong multiple stems. The numerous large blooms persist from late summer into fall. Plant in clay or any reasonably rich soil and it will reward you with years of beautiful flowers.



## Blue Vervain

Easily grown in average, medium to wet soils in full sun. It is a clump forming perennial with stiff upright habit typically 2-4 foot tall. Purplish flowers appear over a long July–September bloom period.



**Steele County Soil and Water Conservation District** has Native Pollinator Flower packs available. Each pack contains the 6 species listed above and contains a total of 36 plants.

If you are interested in purchasing one of these packs contact Steele County SWCD by phone at **(507) 451-6730** or in person at **235 Cedardale Drive SE Owatonna, MN 55060**

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