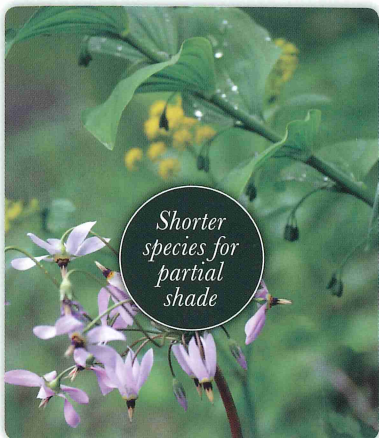


# Over 25 pre-designed seed mixes



## Shortgrass Woods Edge or Savanna Seed Mix

Sun: ☀️ Soil: Wet ☁️💧💧💧 Dry

Wooded edges and opening in the woods will work for these shorter species. A few of the many species shown in this spring photo are Midland Shooting Star, Solomon's Seal and Golden Alexanders.

131 seeds/sq. ft. • 10.1 lbs/acre • 24 species of Wildflowers (49.3% by wt), 9 species of Grasses (50.7% by wt).

## Pollinator-Palooza Seed Mix

Sun: ☀️☀️ Soil: Wet ☁️💧💧💧 Dry

We are offering this seed mix in cooperation with the "Bring Back the Pollinators" campaign of the non-profit Xerces Society. Pollinators are critical to human food crops yet our practices result in habitat loss, environmental toxins and monocultural cropping that compound stress on them, threatening their, and our, survival. To counter this trend and introduce more pollinator-friendly plant diversity, this uniquely diverse, 100% North American native mix includes species that produce not only nectar but the habitat that pollinators require for survival.

172 seeds / sq ft. • 6.65 lbs/acre • 40 species of Wildflowers (55.4% by wt), 6 species of Grasses (44.6% by wt).

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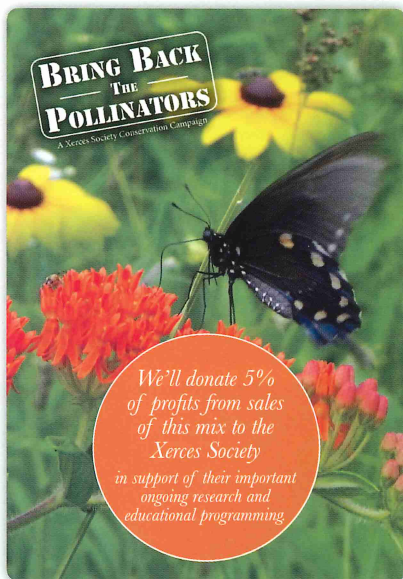


## Shady Woodland Seed Mix

Sun: ☁️ Soil: Wet ☁️💧💧💧 Dry

This native woodland seed mix is best suited for a shady site where tree branches are trimmed to allow some light to penetrate. There are bloom times throughout the growing season.

103 seeds/sq. ft. • 13.19 lbs/acre • 47 species of Wildflowers (63.7% by wt), 11 species of Grasses (36.3% by wt).



# Wildlife Need Native Plants



## BUTTERFLY WEED 🦋🦋

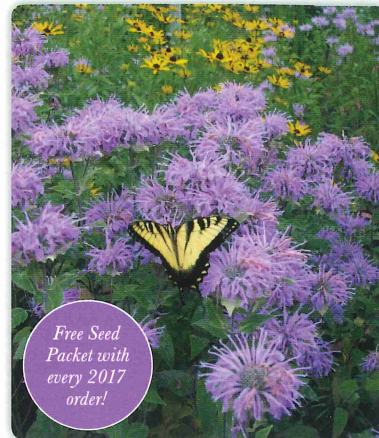
*Asclepias tuberosa*

SUN	SOIL MOISTURE	HT	BLOOM	SPACING	ZONES
☀️☀️	☁️💧💧💧	2'	Jun-Aug	1-3'	3-9

FULL PART SHD WET W/M MED. M/D DRY

One of the most popular natives for the landscape! Great for a sunny location in a medium to dry area, Butterfly Weed's vivid orange color, low mounded profile, and ability to attract and sustain butterflies make it a well-known favorite.

AVAILABLE IN SEED, ROOTS AND POTTED TRAYS (38 PLANTS)



## WILD BERGAMOT 🦋🦋

*Monarda fistulosa*

SUN	SOIL MOISTURE	HT	BLOOM	SPACING	ZONES
☀️☀️	☁️💧💧💧	4'	Jul-Sep	2-3'	3-9

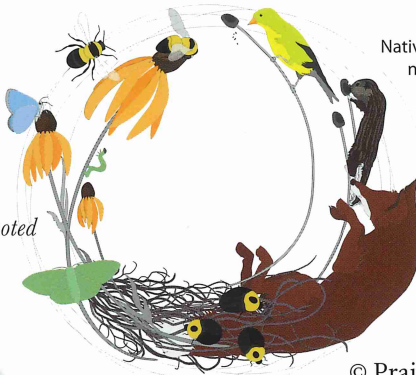
FULL PART SHD WET W/M MED. M/D DRY

Commonly called Bee Balm; violet blossoms and distinctively aromatic foliage are a familiar component of prairie and savanna communities on all but the wettest of soils. An all-around favorite of our native insects and birds.

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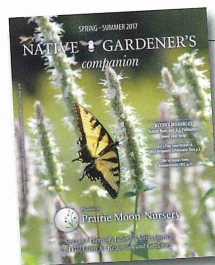
## THE CIRCLE OF LIFE

The Foundation of our Ecosystem is Rooted in Native Plants. Bee Sustainable. Plant Natives.



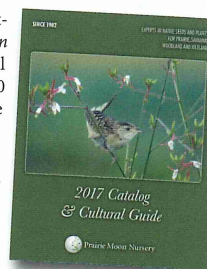
Native plants co-evolved with native insects and wildlife; they are deeply dependent on one another. Plants provide food and shelter to insects, birds, and other small animals, which, in turn support larger predators. Native plants are the fundamental stepping stones of a healthy eco-system.

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Do you have a friend or family member who is interested in native plants? *The Native Gardener's Companion* is designed to provide easy access for readers of all experience levels to gardening information on ~130 of the more popular native plants and seeds that we offer.

In addition to this *Native Gardener's Companion*, we also publish our annual *Cultural Guide* with detailed horticultural information about the ~600 natives we carry.



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# Native Seeds & Plants

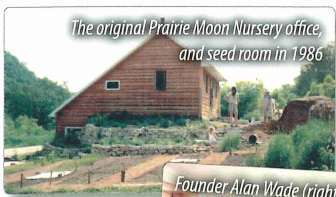
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Since 1982

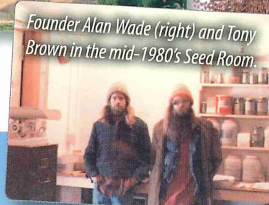


## Prairie Moon® Nursery

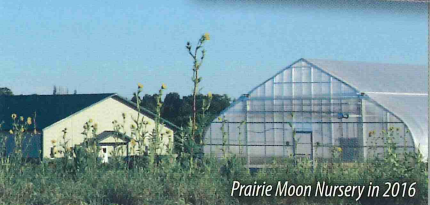
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The original Prairie Moon Nursery office and seed room in 1986



Founder Alan Wade (right) and Tony Brown in the mid-1980s Seed Room.



Prairie Moon Nursery in 2016

# About our products

## SEEDS & SEED MIXES

*Best value, some patience required*

We offer seeds of over 700 native species, the largest variety of any native nursery, shipping year-round. One big advantage of using seeds is affordability, especially when planting larger areas.

*Native plant communities provide the inspiration for our seed mix designs*

All of our mixes are a diverse balance of native species with high seeding rates, which, when mature will have species blooming throughout the year. We are the only native plant nursery with the diversity of species and over 30 years experience of working with natives to be able to provide you the highest quality wildflower and grass seed mixes possible.

## BARE ROOT PLANTS

*A more mature plant, wide selection*

Our experience shows that plants transplant most successfully when they are dormant. Accordingly, we dig our plants from outdoor beds and ship them April-May and October. Most of our plants are at least one growing season old. Many are two years or older. We are among the few still employing this production method, which is labor-intensive but plant-friendly.



**ALL OF OUR PLANTS ARE GROWN FOR SALE, NEVER WILD-DUG.**

*Since digging of wild plants can deplete and destroy local native plant populations, it is important to be aware of the origin of commercially sold plants.*

# Our History

Prairie Moon Nursery began more than 30 years ago south of Winona, MN, on Wiscoy Valley Land Cooperative, where a dozen families manage their 358 acres of wooded hills and valleys. Some of Prairie Moon's owners and workers are still members of the land co-op, which was organized in 1976 around principles of collective organic land stewardship, social justice and consensual decision-making.

In 1982 Alan Wade and several fellow land co-op members started selling native seeds and plants out of his living room. We can trace our roots back farther still. Prairie pioneers of the early 1970s envisioned a network of nurseries to propagate native plants. Alan's parents, Dot and Doug Wade, a student of Aldo Leopold, embarked on this dream in northern Illinois, opening Windrift Prairie Nursery, one of the first to commercially offer native seeds and plants. We still grow plants from ecotypes first collected by the Wades, along with a wide range of ecotypes from across the Midwest.

We are inspired and energized by our daily contacts with so many individuals and organizations who share our passion for ecological preservation and restoration. We're all learning how to better assist nature from our small backyard plantings to multi-acre projects. Thank you for joining us.



**CREATE YOUR OWN!**  
38 PLANT MIX & MATCH POTTED TRAYS

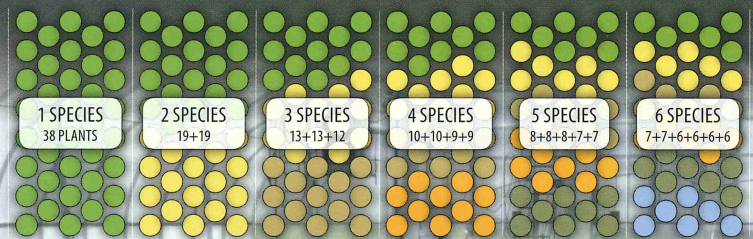
CHOOSE UP TO SIX SPECIES PER TRAY, FROM NEARLY 80 SPECIES OF WILDFLOWERS, GRASSES AND SEDGES.

## POTTED PLANTS

*Fast to establish, a great value*

*We have 3 options for potted trays:*  
SINGLE SPECIES, PRE-DESIGNED GARDEN KITS, AND MIX/MATCH

Full trays (38 plants) leave our Midwest greenhouses based on order date and when all species are transit-ready; usually shipping begins early-May and goes into June. Each of the 38 plant cells are 2" wide at top x 5" deep; ideal for deep-rooted natives. Full-color tags and planting instructions are included with each order.



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## WILD GERANIUM

*Geranium maculatum*

SUN	SOIL MOISTURE	HT	BLOOM	SPACING	ZONES
		1'	Apr-Jul	10-12"	3-8
FULL PART SHD	WET W/M MED. M/D DRY				

Native to the eastern half of North America, the almost-indestructible Wild Geranium never disappoints. It is easy to transplant, grows in full-shade to full-sun and will spread slowly by seed and rhizomes.

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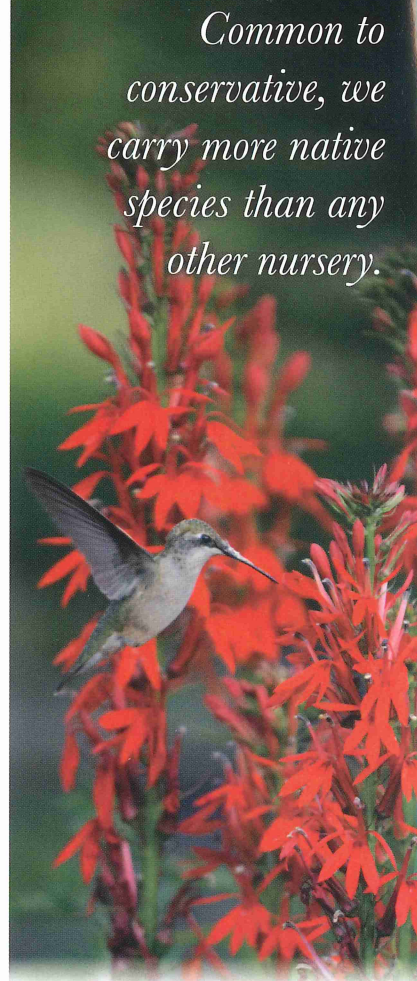
## NEW JERSEY TEA

*Ceanothus americanus*

SUN	SOIL MOISTURE	HT	BLOOM	SPACING	ZONES
		3'	Jun-Aug	18-36"	3-9
FULL PART SHD	WET W/M MED. M/D DRY				

A pollinator and customer favorite! A deciduous shrub that is compact and rounded by nature. Deep tree-like roots make it very drought-tolerant. The dried leaves were used to make tea during the Revolutionary War.

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## CARDINAL FLOWER

*Lobelia cardinalis*

SUN	SOIL MOISTURE	HT	BLOOM	SPACING	ZONES
		4'	Jul-Sep	6-16"	4-9
FULL PART SHD	WET W/M MED. M/D DRY				

Named for its beautiful scarlet red flowers which are an important nectar source for hummingbirds and swallowtail butterflies. The flowering spikes open from the bottom to the top and bloom for several weeks.

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## Just Say No to Neonicotinoids

To learn more about neonicotinoids and the decline of pollinators visit: [prairiemoon.com/what-are-neonicotinoids](http://prairiemoon.com/what-are-neonicotinoids) or The Xerces Society at [xerces.org](http://xerces.org)

(neo-nih-CAH-tin-oids) are systemic chemicals, which are absorbed into the plant's vascular system, leaving the entire plant toxic to both target and non-target insects. This class of insecticides is particularly harmful to bees.

Prairie Moon has never used these insecticides and is proudly neonicotinoid-FREE. We have also confirmed that our partnering seed and plant producers do not use this persistent and harmful class of chemicals.