



The Fort Worth Pollinator Ambassadors are a group of nonprofit and governmental organizations brought together by the National Wildlife Federation to support the efforts of the City of Fort Worth and Mayor Betsy Price to fulfill the “Mayors’ Monarch Pledge.”

Plant List for a Fort Worth Pollinator Garden

This is meant to be a starter list only, and does not include all the wonderful native plants that can be in a Fort Worth pollinator garden.

Small Trees: Desert Willow (*Chilopsis linearis*), Goldenball Leadtree (*Leucaena retusa*), Eve’s Necklace (*Styphnolobium affine*), Yaupon Holly (*Ilex vomitoria*), American Smoke Tree (*Cotinus obovatus*), False Indigo (*Amorpha fruticosa*)

Bushes/shrubs: Texas Lantana (*Lantana urticoides*), Turkscap (*Malvaviscus drummondii*), Autumn Sage (*Salvia greggii*), Cenizo (*Leucophyllum frutescens*), Flame Acanthus (*Anisacanthus quadrifidus*), Rock Rose (*Pavonia lasiopetala*), Kidneywood (*Eysenhardtia texana*), Buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*)

Milkweeds: Larval host plants for Monarch and Queen butterflies. Butterflyweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), Antelope Horns (*Asclepias asperula*), Zizotes (*Asclepias oenotheroides*), Green Milkweed (*Asclepias viridis*)

Others: Mealy Blue Sage (*Salvia farinacea*), Gregg’s Mistflower (*Conoclinium greggii*), Winecup (*Callirhoe involuncrata*), Four-nerve Daisy (*Tetranuris scaposa*), Zexmenia (*Wedelia hispida*), Gayfeathers (*Liatris spp.*), Goldenrod (*Solidago spp.*), Maximillian Sunflower (*Helianthus maximiliani*), Fall Blooming Asters (*Symphiotrichum spp.*), Coneflower (*Echinacea spp.*), Pitcher Sage (*Salvia azurea*), Scarlet Sage (*S. coccinea*), Frostweed (*Verbesina virginica*), White Mistflower (*Ageratina havanensis*), Gaillardia (*Gaillardia spp.*), Frog Fruit (*Phyla nodiflora*), Little Bluestem Grass (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), Sideoats Grama Grass (*Bouteloua curtipendula*), Blue Muhly Grass (*Muhlenbergia lindheimeri*), Inland Sea Oats (*Chasmanthium latifolium*)

For information on plant *bloom times, sizes, water needs, sun/shade, soil type* and more go to the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center’s native plant data base. wildflower.org

Ask your local Native Plant Society of Texas - North Central Chapter (txnativeplants.org) or native nursery’s staff for advice on other native plant choices for your pollinator garden.

National Wildlife Federation: <https://www.nwf.org/Garden-for-Wildlife/About/National-Initiatives/Mayors-Monarch-Pledge>