Shoreline Friendly Demonstration Garden
Lake Lansing Park South

Lakeshore Garden Plant List

A. Sweet Flag (Acorus americanus)
B. Blue Star (Amsonia hubrectii)
C. Swamp Milkweed (Asclepias incarnata)
D. Astilbe
E. Canna
F. Buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis)
G. Michigan Holly (Ilex verticillata)
H. Queen of the Prairie (Filipendula rubra)
I. Cardinal Flower (Lobelia cardinalis)
J. Swamp Rose Mallow (Hibiscus moscheutos)
K. Japanese Iris (Iris ensata)
L. Blue Flag Iris (Iris virginica)
M. Blazing Star (Liatris spicata)
N. Common Arrowhead (Sagittaria latifolia)
O. Ohio Goldenrod (Solidago ohioensis)
P. Culver’s Root (Veronicastrum virginicum)

* Indicates native species

Why Plant a Lakeshore Friendly Garden?

Benefits to recreation and wildlife:
- Erosion control - deeper roots hold soil in place against waves, runoff, and ice push
- Deters geese, which contribute to the growth of bacteria such as E. coli
- Reduces nutrient effluent (phosphorus & nitrogen from fertilizer), which can cause algae blooms that deplete oxygen in the lake, killing fish
- Filters pollutants entering waterways through runoff
- Provides habitat for pollinators and other wildlife

Tips:
- Match your selected species with the wetness of the site and you can save time and money by not having to water or mow!
- Maintain and enhance your view of the lake by placing species based on their height expectations
- Find sources for native plants at mnppa.org

- Blue Flag
- Sweet Flag
- Arrowhead
- Cardinal Flower
- Ohio goldenrod
- Swamp Milkweed
- Japanese Iris
- Cattail Iris
- Buttonbush
- Rose Mallow
- Astilbe
- Culver’s Root
- Swamp Milkweed
- Marsh Blazing Star
- Michigan Holly
- Siberian Iris
- Canna
- Queen of the Prairie
- Blue Star

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