BLOOM PERIODS

FOR THE LAURENTIAN MIXED FOREST PROVINCE

The following chart lists plants and the time they are in bloom throughout the growing seasons. Choose a variety of flower colors and make sure something is blooming at all times! Note for all charts: When more than one species of the same genus is useful, the genus name is followed by "spp."

Botanical Name	Common Name	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Trees & Shrubs										
Amelanchier arborea	downy serviceberry			white	white					
Arctostaphylos uva- ursi	kinnikinnick			purple- blue	purple- blue					
Cephalanthus occidentalis	common buttonbush									
Cornus canadensis	bunchberry dogwood				white	white	white	white		
Crataegus crus-galli	cockspur hawthorn			white, yellow- green	white, yellow- green	white, yellow- green	white, yellow- green	white, yellow- green		
Dasiphora fruticosa	shrubby cinquefoil			yellow	yellow	yellow				
Gaultheria procumbens	eastern teaberry					pinkish white	pinkish white	pinkish white		
Hamamelis virginiana	American witch-hazel								yellow	yellow
llex verticillata	common winterberry				white	white				
Prunus virginiana	chokecherry			white	white					
Rhus typhina	staghorn sumac				yellow green	yellow green	yellow green			
Sambucus canadensis	black elderberry				white	white				
Sorbus americana	American mountain ash			white	white					
Tilia americana	American basswood			yellow	yellow					
Vaccinium angustifolium	low sweet blueberry			pinkish white	pinkish white					
Viburnum acerifolium	mapleleaf viburnum			white	white					
			Peren	nial Flov	vers					
Aconitum uncinatum	eastern monkshood						blue	blue	blue	
Actaea rubra	red baneberry			white	white					
Aquilegia canadensis	red columbine			red yellow	red yellow	red yellow				
Campanula rotundifolia	harebell				blue	blue	blue	blue	blue	
Caltha palustris	marsh marigold		yellow	yellow	yellow					
Chelone glabra	white turtlehead					white	white	white		
Doellingeria umbellata	flat-topped aster					white yellow	white yellow	white yellow		
Eupatorium maculatum	parasol whitetop					lavender pink	lavender pink	lavender pink	lavender pink	
Gentiana andrewsii	closed bottle gentian						blue violet	blue violet		

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Perennial Flowers continued										
Geum rivale	water avens			purplish red	purplish red	purplish red				
Hepatica nobilis var. acuta	sharplobe hepatica	white to pale blue	white to pale blue	white to pale blue						
Iris versicolor	harlequin blueflag			blue purple	blue purple	blue purple				
Monarda fistulosa	wild bergamont				lavender pink to violet blue	lavender pink to violet blue	lavender pink to violet blue	lavender pink to violet blue		
Packera aurea	golden ragwort			dark yellow	dark yellow					
Penstemon digitalis	tall beardstongue				white	white				
Phlox maculata	wild sweetwilliam		pink to lavender	pink to lavender	pink to lavender					
Physostegia virginiana	obedient plant						pale to dark pink	pale to dark pink	pale to dark pink	
Rudbekia hirta	black-eyed susan				yellow with dark brown center	yellow with dark brown center	yellow with dark brown center	yellow with dark brown center	yellow with dark brown center	
Sisyrinchium angustifolium	narrow leaf blue-eyed grass			blue- purple, yellow center	blue- purple, yellow center	blue- purple, yellow center				
Trillium erectum	red trillium			violet red	violet red					
Veratrum viride	green false hellebore				yellow green	yellow green				
Viola canadensis	Canadian white violet		white with yellow, purple streaked center	white with yellow, purple streaked center	white with yellow, purple streaked center	white with yellow, purple streaked center				
Zizia aurea	golden zizia			yellow	yellow	yellow				
				Vines						
Celastrus scandens	American bittersweet				yellowish white	yellowish white				
Linnaea borealis	twinflower				pink	pink	pink			
Lonicera dioica	limber honeysuckle				yellow to red	yellow to red	yellow to red			
Mitchella repens	partridgeberry			white	white	white				

PLANTS THAT ATTRACT POLLINATORS

The following chart lists plants that attract pollinators. It is not exhaustive, but provides guidance on where to start. Annuals, herbs, weeds, and cover crops provide food and shelter for pollinators, too.

Botanical Name	Common Name	Color	Height	Flower Season	Sun	Soil	Visitation by pollinator	Also a host plant		
Trees & Shrubs										
Amelanchier arborea	downy serviceberry	white	25'+	May-June	sun to partial sun	moist, well drained	bees, flies	x		
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	kinnikinnick	purple-blue	2-6″	May-June	sun to partial sun	sands, excessively drained	bees	x		
Cephalanthus occidentalis	common buttonbush	white	to 9'	June-July	sun	moist to flooded	moths, butterflies, bees, hummingbirds	x		
Cornus canadensis	bunchberry dogwood	white bracts, yellow green	6″	May-June	shade to sun	moist, acidic	bees, beetles	x		
Crataegus crus-galli	cockspur hawthorn	white	to 30'	May-June	sun to partial sun	dry to moist, well drained	bees, flies, beetles, butterflies	x		
Dasiphora fruticosa	shrubby cinquefoil	yellow	3-4′	May-July	sun to partial sun	dry to wet	bees, flies, butterflies	x		
Gaultheria procumbens	eastern teaberry	pinkish white	4-8″	July-Sept	sun to shade	dry to moist, acidic	bees	x		
Hamamelis virginiana	American witch-hazel	yellow	15-20'	Oct-Nov	shade to sun	moist	moths	X		
llex verticillata	common winterberry	white	7-10′	May-June	sun to shade	moist to wet	bees, flies	X		
Prunus virginiana	chokecherry	white	20'+	May-June	sun to partial sun	moist, well drained	bees	x		
Rhus typhina	staghorn sumac	yellow-green	10-15'	June- August	sun to partial sun	dry to moist, well drained	butterflies, bees	x		
Sambucus canadensis	black elderberry	white	8-10′	June-July	sun to partial sun	dry to wet	bees, bettles, flies	х		
Sorbus americana	American mountain ash	white	to 30'	May-June	sun to partial sun	moist	bees, flies	x		
Tilia americana	American basswood	yellow	80'+	May-June	sun to partial sun	moist, well drained	bees, flies, moths	x		
Vaccinium angustifolium	low sweet blueberry	white tinged with pink	2-14″	May-June	sun	dry to moist, acidic	bees	х		
Viburnum acerifolium	mapleleaf viburnum	white	4-5'	May-June	shade to sun	dry to moist	bees, beetles, flies	х		
		P	erennial	Flowers						
Aconitum uncinatum	eastern monkshood	blue	30-36″	July-Oct	sun to partial sun	moist	bees	x		
Actaea rubra	red baneberry	white	20-30″	May-June	shade to partial sun	moist	bees, beetles, flies	Х		
Aquilegia canadensis	red columbine	red, yellow	12-36″	May-July	partial shade to sun	well drained	hummingbirds, bees	х		
Campanula rotundifolia	harebell	blue	8-24″	June-Oct	partial sun to sun	dry to moist, well drained	bees	Х		
Caltha palustris	marsh marigold	yellow	10-22″	May-June	sun to shade	moist to wet	flies, bees	Х		





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Chelone glabra	white turtlehead	white	28-36″	July-August	sun to partial sun	wet to moist	bees	x	
Doellingeria umbellata	flat-topped aster	white, yellow	30-72″	August-Sept	sun to partial sun	wet to moist	bees, butterflies, beetles	х	
Eupatorium maculatum	parasol whitetop	lavender pink	30-96″	August-Sept	sun to partial sun	moist to wet	bees, butterflies, moths	х	
Gentiana andrewsii	closed bottle gentian	blue, violet	18-24″	August-Sept	sun to partial sun	moist	bees	х	
Geum rivale	water avens	purplish red	14-24″	June-July	sun to partial sun	moist to wet	bees, flies, beetles	х	
Hepatica nobilis var. acuta	sharplobe hepatica	white to pale blue	2-6″	Mar-May	partial shade	moist	bees		
Iris versicolor	harlequin blueflag	blue, purple	20-40″	May-July	sun to partial sun	wet to moist	bees		
Monarda fistulosa	wild bergamont	lavendar pink to violet blue	24-46″	July-Sept	sun to partial sun	moist	bees, wasps, butterflies, hummingbirds	x	
Packera aurea	golden ragwort	dark yellow	10-22′	May-June	sun to shade	moist to wet	bees, flies, butterflies, moths	х	
Penstemon digitalis	tall beardstongue	white	36-60″	June-July	sun to partial sun	moist	bees	х	
Phlox maculata	wild sweetwilliam	pink to lavender	20-30″	Apr-June	sun to partial sun	moist	bees, butterflies		
Physostegia virginiana	obedient plant	pale to dark pink	22-36″	August-Sept	sun to partial sun	dry to wet	bees, hummingbirds		
Rudbekia hirta	black-eyed susan	yellow with dark brown center	16-40″	June-Sept	sun to partial sun	moist to dry	bees, butterflies, beetles, wasps	x	
Sisyrinchium angustifolium	narrow leaf blue-eyed grass	blue-purple, yellow center	10-12″	May-July	sun to partial sun	moist	bees, butterflies		
Trillium erectum	red trillium	violet red	8-20″	May-June	partial shade	moist	flies		
Veratrum viride	green false hellebore	yellow green	22-48″	June-July	partial sun to shade	moist to wet	bees, moths, flies, butterflies		
Viola canadensis	Canadian white violet	white with yellow, purple streaked center	8-15″	Apr-July	partial sun to shade	moist	bees	x	
Zizia aurea	golden zizia	yellow	14-38″	May-July	sun to partial sun	moist to wet	flies, bees	х	
			Vin	es					
Celastrus scandens	American bittersweet	yellowish white	48'+	June-July	sun to partial sun	dry to moist	bees		
Linnaea borealis	twinflower	pink	5″	June- August	partial sun	moist	bees, wasps		
Lonicera dioica	limber honeysuckle	yellow to red	3-10′	June- August	sun to partial sun	moist to wet	hummingbirds, bees		
Mitchella repens	partridgeberry	white	10-16″	May-July	partial sun	moist	bees		