

Viburnum spp. **Viburnum**

Provides berries for birds.

Rosea spp. **Rose**

Provides rose hips for birds, nectar for butterflies, browse for deer & cover for rabbits.

Salix spp. **Willow**

Provides nectar for butterflies, browse for deer & shelter for rabbits.

Flowers

All flowers listed provide food for birds & wildlife

Botanical Name **Common Name**

Monarda **Bee Balm**

Provides nectar for hummingbirds

Cleome spinosa **Spider Plant**

Provides nectar for hummingbirds & seeds for many birds

Heuchera sanguine **Coral Bell**

Provides nectar for hummingbirds & butterflies

Cornus canadensis **Bunchberry**

Provides berries for grouse, sparrows, thrushes, and buds & browse for deer

Nepeta cataria **Catnip**

Provides seeds for goldfinches, house finches, purple finches & grosbeak, also nectar for hummingbirds & butterflies

Cosmos spp. **Cosmos**

Provides nectar for hummingbirds & butterflies

Digitalis purpurea **Foxglove**

Provides nectar for hummingbirds & seed for many birds

Hyssop officinalis **Hyssop**

Provides nectar for butterflies & resting spot for birds

Lavandula spp. **Lavender**

Provides nectar for butterflies & seeds for birds

Trillium erectum **Trillium**

Provides berries for birds

Salvia officinalis **Sage**

Provides nectar for butterflies & hummingbirds & seeds for many birds

Achillea millefolium **Yarrow**

Provides nectar & resting spot for butterflies

Sumphoricarpus **Snowberry**

Provides winter berries for birds

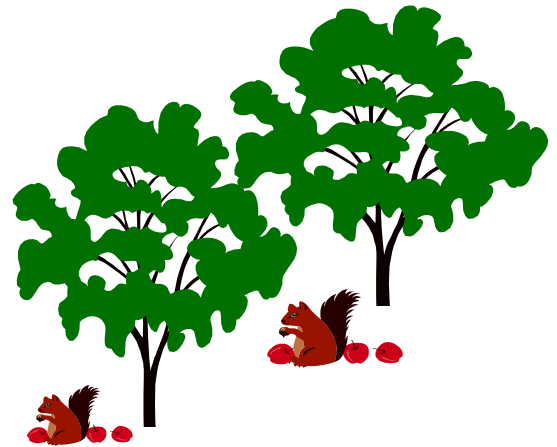


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Planting for Wildlife

Gardens are planted with the intent of bettering our home environment, adding beauty, shelter, food, and a sense of well being. We create gardens with our needs in mind, but did you know that the typical backyard garden shelters 25 different kinds of birds and mammals?

We often don't realize how we are contributing to our wild friends. This idea can be expanded upon. With a bit of research and planning, we can create wildlife sanctuaries that include food and shelter for birds, butterflies, chipmunks, squirrels, and insects etc.

The goal of planting for wildlife is creating habitat. Habitat consists of four basic elements - food, water, shelter, and space. Food might include seeds, berries, nuts, flower nectar, and insects. Water can be provided with puddles, ponds, sprinklers, birdbaths, and streams. Shelter is made by providing trees, shrubs, brush, and rock piles. Space consists of corridors (for travel from one area to another), territories, open space, and undisturbed areas for quiet.

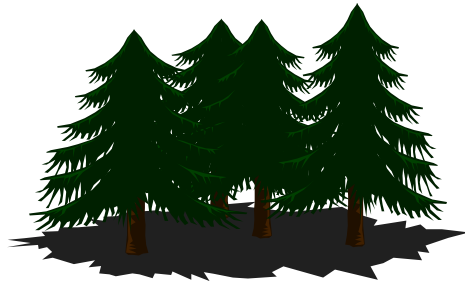
The first step in developing a wildlife planting is to assess what already exists on your property. Take a complete inventory of trees, plants, and shrubs and then identify which are beneficial to different types of wildlife. Map out their locations and approximate size, and note if any are diseased



(remove diseased plants, trees, or shrubs). Next, make a map of features that are part of your home landscape. Include existing structures such as your home, garage, sheds, decks, patios, sidewalks, and driveways. Also include sprinklers, underground pipes, drain-fields, and utilities. This will help avoid placing trees and shrubs in problem locations and will help identify suitable locations for future additions. Include information about structures and plantings at the perimeter of your yard or property (neighbor's trees, shed, or fences etc.). If there are any dead snags, hollow logs, ponds, or streams, note these as well.

After assessing how much food, shelter, and water you already can provide for wildlife, decide how much more you can realistically provide. Keep areas in mind for you and your family to use, such as patios, decks, and sitting areas from which to view your visiting wild

friends. Then map out additions, keeping in mind the different types of habitat you are trying to provide and remember: the greater the diversity the richer the habitat. The most important thing to keep in mind if you are going to commit to creating a backyard wildlife sanctuary is not to use lots of chemicals in your garden. Garden chemicals can be toxic or lethal to wildlife. Try to keep as organic as possible, using Integrated Pest



management techniques.

The following is a brief list of various plants trees, and shrubs suitable for wildlife. Hopefully this will assist you in making planting choices for your wildlife sanctuary.

Trees

All trees listed provide food, shelter, and nesting for birds and wildlife

<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
<i>Alnus spp.</i>	Alder
Provides seeds for chickadees	
<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	Arborvitae
Provides berries for many kinds of birds	
<i>Robina pseudoacacia</i>	Black Honeylocust
Provides nectar for Hummingbirds	
<i>Juglans cinera</i>	Butternut
Provides nuts for squirrels	
<i>Malus spp.</i>	Crab Apple
Provides nectar for hummingbirds and fruit for birds	
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Horsechestnut
Provides nectar for hummingbirds	
<i>Larix spp.</i>	Larches
Provides nesting & shelter for many kinds of birds & insects	
<i>Sorbus spp.</i>	Mountain Ash
Provides berries for many kinds of birds	

<i>Pinus spp.</i>	Pine
Provides seeds for many kinds of birds	
<i>Amalanchieralinifolia</i>	Service Berry
Provides berries for chipmunks, birds & squirrels. Also browse for deer.	

<i>Acer spp.</i>	Maple
Provides buds, flowers, & seeds for chipmunks, squirrels, & many birds.	

Shrubs

All shrubs listed provide food, shelter, and nesting for birds & wildlife.

<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
<i>Vaccinium spp.</i>	Blueberry
Provides berries for grouse, songbirds, raccoons, squirrels, and browse for deer.	
<i>Sambucus spp.</i>	Elderberry
Provides fruit for many birds & browse for deer.	
<i>Ribes spp.</i>	Currant
Provides berries & nectar for grouse, waxwings, hummingbirds, raccoons, swuirrels & browse for deer	
<i>Corylus spp.</i>	Hazelnut/Filbert
Provides nuts for chipmunks & squirrels, browse for deer & cover for rabbits	
<i>Chaenomeles spp.</i>	Quince
Provides fruit and cover for small birds	
<i>Caragana aborescens</i>	Russian pea-shrub
Provides nectar for hummingbirds & butterflies	