

Deer-resistant Native Plants

Although they will browse on almost anything if they are sufficiently hungry, deer tend to find the plants on this list distasteful. The list is not complete but provides some guidance on selecting plants which deer dislike. Always use the Latin names when buying plants to assure that you purchase the species you want.

<i>Actaea pachypoda</i> (toxic)	White baneberry, doll's eyes
<i>Actaea rubra</i> (toxic)	Red baneberry
<i>Allium</i> spp.	Wild onions/garlic/leeks
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	Wild columbine
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed
<i>Baptisia leucantha</i>	White wild indigo
<i>Baptisia leucophaea</i>	Cream wild indigo
<i>Aster</i> spp.	Asters
<i>Cimicifuga racemosa</i>	Black cohosh, false bugbane
<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	Sand coreopsis
<i>Coreopsis palmata</i>	Prairie coreopsis
<i>Dentaria laciniata</i>	Toothwort
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple coneflower
<i>Filipendula rubra</i>	Queen of the prairie
<i>Galium boreale</i>	Northern bedstraw
<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	Wild geranium
<i>Geum</i> spp.	Geum
<i>Gramineae</i>	Grass species
<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	Sneezeweed
<i>Hypericum</i> spp.	St. John's Wort
<i>Iris virginica</i> var. <i>shrevei</i>	Blue flag
<i>Heuchera richardsonii</i>	Alum root (Prairie)
<i>Lupinus perennis</i>	Wild lupine
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild bergamot
<i>Penstemon calycosus</i>	Smooth beard tongue
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	Foxglove beard tongue
<i>Penstemon pallidus</i>	Pale beard tongue
<i>Polemonium reptans</i>	Jacob's ladder
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	Brown-eyed Susan
<i>Solidago</i> spp.	Goldenrod species
<i>Thalictrum</i> spp.	Meadow rue
<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i>	Foam flower
<i>Tradescantia ohiensis</i>	Common spiderwort

