



## Native Gardening and Pollinator Conservation Resources

UW-Madison Arboretum: Visit our Wisconsin Native Plant Garden!

<https://arboretum.wisc.edu>

Here is our garden map: [https://arboretum.wisc.edu/content/uploads/2020/03/NPG-map-2019\\_web.pdf](https://arboretum.wisc.edu/content/uploads/2020/03/NPG-map-2019_web.pdf)

### Plant lists and resources

Pollinator Partnership <https://www.pollinator.org/guides>

FHWA Ecoregional Revegetation Application Tool <http://www.nativerewegetation.org/era/>

Wild Ones <http://www.wildones.org/>

<https://www.audubon.org/native-plants> Use to select plants for your area, nurseries listed.

National Wildlife Federation Plant finder site <https://www.nwf.org/NativePlantFinder/>

Bee and pollinator books by Heather Holm (and other resources) <https://www.pollinatorsnativeplants.com/>

*Pollinators of Native Plants: Attract, Observe and Identify Pollinator and Beneficial Insects with Native Plants*,

Heather Holm, Pollinator Press, LLC, 2014

*Bees: An Identification and native plant forage guide*, 2017

*Wasps: Their Biology, Diversity, and Role as Beneficial Insects and Pollinators of Native Plants*, 2021

*100 Plants to Feed the Bees: Provide a Healthy Habitat to Help Pollinators Thrive*

The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation, Storey Publishing, 2016.

### Pollinator Conservation resources

The Xerces Society

<http://www.xerces.org/> Excellent resources

## Rusty patched bumble bee

**Join Bumble Bee Brigade-submit your bumble bee photos for ID and mapping**

<http://wiatri.net/inventory/bbb>

See the Wisconsin Bumble Bee Observers Facebook page for ID tips and feedback.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/555238811914604/>

Two surveys now demonstrate that quite a number of early-season (spring ephemeral) flowers are commonly visited by RPBB queens. Those surveys also extend the range of floral visits observed in the late season. [Wolf et al 2022 Natural Areas Journal](#), [Cardin 2022 online resource](#)

USFWS Fact Sheet <https://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/insects/rpbb/factsheetrpbb.html>

Endangered species page

<https://www.fws.gov/midwest/endangered/insects/rpbb/index.html>

Video: *A Ghost in the Making: Searching for the rusty-patched bumble bee*, <http://www.rustypatched.com/>

Monarch Joint Venture

<http://www.monarchjointventure.org/>

A partnership of conservation, education, and research organizations from across the United States are working together to conserve the monarch migration.

Examples of pollinator protection plans: In 2015-16, the Federal, State of Wisconsin, Dane County, and City of Madison pollinator protection task forces published recommendations:

White House Pollinator Health Task Force. 2015. "National strategy to promote the health of honey bees and other pollinators." Available online.

State of Wisconsin. 2016. "The Wisconsin Pollinator Protection Plan" Available online.

Dane County Pollinator Protection Task Force. 2015. "Report to the Dane County Board of Supervisors." [https://board.countyofdane.com/documents/pdf/DCPPTF\\_Final\\_Report.pdf](https://board.countyofdane.com/documents/pdf/DCPPTF_Final_Report.pdf)

City of Madison Pollinator Protection Task Force. 2015. "Pollinator Protection Task Force Report." [http://www.cityofmadison.com/sites/default/files/city-of-madison/mayors-office/documents/Pollinator\\_Protection\\_Task\\_Force\\_Report\\_Final.pdf](http://www.cityofmadison.com/sites/default/files/city-of-madison/mayors-office/documents/Pollinator_Protection_Task_Force_Report_Final.pdf)

Plant identification, uses, and ecological relationships:

Illinois Wildflowers website <http://www.illinoiswildflowers.info/>

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Wisconsin references

Wisconsin State Herbarium, UW—Madison Botany Department  
<http://wisflora.herbarium.wisc.edu/>

Native Plant Network <http://www.nativeplantnetwork.org>

*Prairie Plants of the University of Wisconsin—Madison Arboretum*  
Cochrane, T. S., K. Elliot and C. S. Lipke, University of Wisconsin Press, 2006.

*Wildflowers of Wisconsin and the Great Lakes Region*  
Black, M. R. and E. J. Judziewicz, University of Wisconsin Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2009.

*Native Trees of the Midwest: Identification, Wildlife Value and Landscaping Use*  
Weeks, S. S., H. Weeks, and G. Parker, Purdue University Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2010.

*Vegetation of Wisconsin*

Curtis, J. T., University of Wisconsin Press, 1959, 1971. (detailed descriptions of Wisconsin plant communities, some of these apply more broadly in the Midwest)

*Flora of the Chicago Region*

Wilhelm, G. & L. Rericha, The Indiana Academy of Science, 2017.  
(describes which plants grow together)

*The Tallgrass Prairie Center Guide to Seed and Seedling Identification in the Upper Midwest*

Dave Williams, University of Iowa Press, 2010.

*Insects and Gardens: In Pursuit of a Garden Ecology*

Eric Grissell, Timber Press, 2001.

*The Prairie in Seed: Identifying Seed-Bearing Prairie Plants in the Upper Midwest*

Dave Williams, University of Iowa Press, 2016

Insect ID and monitoring

**Bumble Bee Brigade** <http://wiatri.net/inventory/bbb/> (submit your bumble bee photos for ID and mapping)

Bug Guide <http://bugguide.net/node/view/15740submit>

(submit photos of insects, spiders, etc. for ID)

Wisconsin butterflies <http://wisconsinbutterflies.org> (ID, submit photos)

Xerces Society <http://www.xerces.org>

Butterflies and Moths of North America <http://www.butterfliesandmoths.org/>

(submit photos, ID resource)