

Creating a Garden for Birds

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Few things are as interesting and beautiful as songbirds. They brighten up each day, adding music and color to our lives. I cherish my morning coffee, watching and listening to all the birds in my backyard. Never before has suitable habitat for birds been in such short supply. By creating bird gardens we can provide an oasis in our yards and public parks. The Florida native bird population is in a dangerous decline. Did you know that 96% of all bird species feed their nestlings insects? Florida native plants give insects the food they need to survive. Our Nursery carries a wide variety of Florida native bird, butterfly and pollinator friendly plants. We also present on site Bird, Pollinator and Native Plant programs and bird watching trails to groups of 15 or more. We stock over 300 species of Florida native trees, shrubs, flowering perennials, grasses and vines. This is a list of some of the bird friendly plants we carry...

Bottlebrush Buckeye	Common Persimmon	Wild Olive tree
Red Buckeye	Coral Bean	Hoptree
Serviceberry tree	Strawberry Bush (Euonymus)	Virginia Creeper
Columbine	Firebush	Florida Red Bay
Orange Milkweed	Witch Hazel	Chickasaw Plum
White Milkweed	Scarlet Hibiscus	Hog Plum
Pink Milkweed	Swamp Rosemallow Hibiscus	American Plum
Pawpaw	Swamp Hibiscus	Sand Live Oak
Salt Bush	American Holly	Southern Live Oak
Cross Vine	Dahoon Holly	Laurel Oak
Beautyberry	Possumhaw Holy	White Oak
Trumpet Creeper	Yaupon	Red Oak
Sugarberry tree	Weeping Yaupon	Sabal Palm
Fringe Tree (Gracie Garybeard)	Gallberry	Saw Palmetto
Flowering Dogwood	Dwarf Gallberry	Scarlet Sage (Salvia)
May Haw	Red Cedar	Lyre Leaf salvia
Parsley May Haw	Spicebush	Elderberry
Florida Flame Azalea	Cardinal Flower	Sassafras
Florida Pinxter Azalea	Coral Honeysuckle	Sparkleberry
Florida Swamp Azalea	Coneflower	Highbush Blueberry
Florida Plum Leaf Azalea	Southern Bull Magnolia	Elliott's Blueberry
Florida White Azalea	Southern Crabapple	Shiny Blueberry
Winged Sumac	Dotted Horsemint	Darrow's Blueberry
Goldenrods	Wax Myrtle	Deerberry
Winged Elm tree	Dwarf Wax Myrtle	American Wisteria
Walters Viburnum	Water Tupelo tree	Clump Grasses
Possumhaw Viburnum	Black Gum Tree	Swamp Sunflowers
Arrowood Viburnum	White Tupelo tree	Beach Sunflowers
Coreopsis	Weeping Mary Butterfly Bush	Asters
	Buttonbush	Black-Eyed Susans



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