

GRASSES



Blue Grama
Bouteloua gracilis

Blue grama grass is an ornamental grass that grows 12-14" high. It grows in bunches and produces blue-green seedheads which are suspended from the tip of each stem.



June Grass
Koeleria macrantha

June grass is a perennial grass that can reach 24" high. This grass has narrow flat leaves and the seeds are in dense spikes which are pale green to light purple.



Little Bluestem*
Schizachyrium scoparium

Little bluestem is a perennial ornamental grass that can reach 36" tall by September. It becomes red with white seed tufts in the fall.



Native Plant Species List

Suitable for Boulevard and Centre Median gardens

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*This plant will grow over 24" tall and should not be planted within five metres of an intersection.

NATIVE PRAIRIE PLANTS

The plants in this guide are hardy, drought-tolerant plants that are native to Saskatchewan, like to be neglected after establishment and will thrive in areas of sun with dry soils. They have been established in native plant gardens around the city and can be found behind the Nutrien Wonderhub and other park locations.



If the plant name has a star beside it, then the plant will grow over two feet tall. This means you should not plant them within five metres of an intersection.



Lindley's Aster*
Symphyotrichum ciliolatum

Pale purplish daisy-like flowers that grow 12–36" tall. There are normally fewer than 50 flowers on a plant and they bloom August to September.



Hairy Golden Aster
Heterotheca villosa var. villosa

Yellow daisy-like flowers that grow 6–24" tall. There are normally up to 25 flowers on a plant and they bloom July to September. These asters have a tendency to spread.



Many-Flowered Aster*
Symphyotrichum ericoides var. pansum

White daisy-like flowers with a yellow centre, grows 8–36" tall. The stems are loaded with flowers that bloom from August to October.



Wild Blue Flax*
Linum lewisii var. lewisii

Wild blue flax grows up to 28" tall and blooms each morning in July and August. This plant has a small blue flower and will self-seed once established.



Prairie Sage
Artemisia ludoviciana ssp. ludoviciana (spreads)

Prairie sage grows 12–24" tall, and has silvery-green leaves.



Pasture Sage
Artemisia frigida (spreads)

Pasture sage grows up to 12" tall and has silvery-green frilly leaves.

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Western Red Lily*

Lilium philadelphicum

The western red lily has red-orange flowers with dark spots. They grow approximately 18–36” tall and bloom in July and August.



American Hedysarum*

Hedysarum alpinum var. americanum

Hedysarum grows 18–36” tall and blooms in May to June. It has white/pink flowers in a stalk-like orientation.



Bergamot*

Monarda fistulosa var. menthaefolia

Bergamot grows 18–36” tall and blooms in July and August. They have pink disc-shaped flowers.



Many-Flowered Yarrow*

Achillea alpina

Many-flowered yarrow grows approximately 18–36” tall and blooms from June to September. This plant has small white flowers and soft, toothed leaves.



Yarrow*

Achillea millefolium (spreads)

Yarrow grows approximately 18–30” tall and blooms from June to September. This plant has small white flowers in clusters at the tip of the stem. Yarrow spreads aggressively.



Smooth Aster*

Symphyotrichum laeve var. geyeri

Purple daisy-like flowers with a yellow centre, grows 12–36” tall. Blooms in August to September.



Slender Beardtongue

Penstemon procerus

Tubular purple flowers in a compact arrangement. This plant grows 6–18” tall and blooms in May to July.



Purple Prairie Clover

Dalea purpurea var. purpurea

Cone-shaped flowers that are purple in colour. Grows up to 18” tall and blooms from July to September.



Meadow Blazingstar*

Liatriis ligulistylis

Meadow blazingstar has disc-shaped purple flowers that are arranged in a spike orientation. Grows from 12–36” and blooms in July and August. It may take three years to bloom.



Dotted Blazingstar*

Liatriis punctata var. punctata

Dotted blazingstar grows up to 36” tall. This plant has rose-lavender disc flowers with up to 30 heads occurring in a dense spike-like cluster. Blooms in August to October.



Blanket Flower

Gaillardia aristata

Yellow-orange flowers that have a red centre. This plant grows 8–24” tall and blooms in July to September.



Long-Fruited Anemone

Anemone cylindrica

Long-fruited anemones have white to light pink petalled flowers and grow 6–20” tall. They bloom in late May or June and spread aggressively.



Canada Goldenrod*

Solidago canadensis

Canada goldenrod grows from 18–36” tall and blooms in August until October. They have yellow clustered flowers arranged into small heads.



Mountain Goldenrod*

Solidago simplex var. simplex

Mountain goldenrod has yellow flowers arranged in clusters. This plant grows from 8” to almost 24” tall and blooms in August to early October.



Stiff Goldenrod

Solidago rigida ssp. humilis

Stiff goldenrod has yellow flowers on the tips of the stems and grows 4” to almost 18” tall. It blooms in August to October.



Black-eyed Susan

Rudbeckia hirta var. pulcherrima

Black-eyed Susans grow 4–18” tall and bloom in July to August. They have yellow flowers with dark centres and are biennial.



Prairie Crocus

Anemone patens var. multifida

Prairie crocuses grow 4–12” tall and have blue or purple flowers. These are perennials who bloom in mid-April to June. They are slow to establish and may take seven years to bloom.



Prairie Coneflower

Ratibida columnifera

Prairie coneflowers grow 12–24” tall and bloom in July to September. They have yellow flowers with a dark brown centre.



Northern Bedstraw

Galium boreale (spreads)

Northern bedstraw grow approximately 12–18” tall and blooms in June. These plants have clusters of white flowers and spread aggressively.



Harebell

Campanula rotundifolia

Harebells grow up to 18” tall and bloom from June to September. They are perennials that have purple bell-shaped flowers.