Central Illinois Native Plants

(see KEY below for sun, soil descriptions)

Columbine (Aquilegia canadensis)
FS-Sh-M,DM,D~2' H~Red~AMJ

Blue-eyed Grass (Sisyrinchium albidum)
FS,PS~DM,D~6'' H~Blue~MJ

Prairie Phlox (Phlox pilosa)
FS,PS~WM,M,DM,D~2'H~Pink~MJJ

Pale Purple Coneflower (Echinacea pallida)
FS,PS~M,DM,D~3'H~Pink-Purple~JJ

Lanceleaf Coreopsis (Coreopsis lanceolata)
FS~DM,D~2' H~Yellow~MJJ

Prairie Baby’s Breath (Euphorbia corollata)
FS,PS~M,DM,D~1-3' H~White~JJA

Butterfly Milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa)
FS,PS~M,DM,D~2'H~Orange~JJA

Bee Balm (Monarda fistulosa)
FS~WM,M,DM,D~4''~Purple~JAS

Rough Blazing Star (Liatris aspera)
FS,PS~M,DM,D~3'H~Purple~JAS

Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia hirta)
FS,PS~WM,M,DM,D~2'H~Yellow~JJASO

Aromatic Aster (Aster oblongifolius)
FS~DM,D~2'H~Purple~ASO

Showy Goldenrod (Solidago speciosa)
FS,PS~M,DM,D~5'H~Yellow~ASO

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Soil – Wet (W), Wet Mesic (WM), Mesic (M),
Dry Mesic (DM), Dry (D)
Height – Bloom Color – Bloom Months

Central Illinois
Drought-tolerant Native Plants

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Central Illinois Native Small Trees

Downy Serviceberry (Amalanchier arborea)  
FS-Sh-M,DM,D~to 20’H~White~April~fall color

Blue Beech (Carpinus caroliniana)  
PS,Sh~WM,M~up to 30’~fall color

Redbud (Cercis canadensis)  
FS,PS~WM,M~up to 30’~Pink~AM~fall color

Cockspur Hawthorn (Crataegus crus-galli)  
FS~WM,M,DM~up to 20’~fall color,thorny

Downy Hawthorn (Crataegus mollis)  
FS~WM,M,DM~up to 25’~fall color,thorny

Eastern Wahoo (Euonymus atropurpureus)  
PS,Sh~WM,M~8-12’~Purple~JJ~red fall color

Prairie Crab Apple (Malus ioensis)  
FS,PS~WM,M,DM~up to 25’~Pink~AM~Thorny

Red Mulberry (Morus rubra)  
FS,PS~M~up to 60’~Edible Fruit

Ironwood (Ostrya virginiana)  
FS,PS~M,DM~up to 40’~yellow fall color

American Plum (Prunus americana)  
FS,PS~WM-D~to 20’~White~AM~edible fruit

Blackhaw Viburnum (Viburnum prunifolium)  
FS,PS~WM-D~up to 15’~White~June

American Filbert (Corylus americana)  
FS,PS~W,WM,M~up to 8’~edible nuts

Wahoo (Euonymus atropurpureus)  
PS,Sh~WM,M~up to 20’~Purple~JJ~fall color

Smooth Sumac (Rhus glabra)  
FS,PS~WM-D~3-10’H~Red fall color~colonizes

Central Illinois Native Shrubs

New Jersey Tea (Ceanothus americanus)  
FS,PS~M,DM,D~3’H~White~JJA

Buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis)  
FS,PS~W,WM~8’H~White~JJA

Red-osier Dogwood (Cornus sericea)  
FS,PS~W,WM,M~up to 9’H~White~MJ

Ninebark (Physocarpus opulifolius)  
FS,PS~WM,D~up to 9’H~White~July

Aromatic Sumac (Rhus aromatica)  
FS,PS~DM,D~up to 6’H~Yellow~MJ

Leadplant (Amorpha canescens)  
FS,PS~M,DM~up to 3’H~Purple~JJA

Indigo Bush (Amorpha fruticosa)  
FS,PS~WM,M,DM~to 15’~Purple~JJA

Wild Black Currant (Ribes americanum)  
PS~WM,M,DM~3-5’H~Cream~May,edible fruit

Nannyberry Viburnum (Viburnum lentago)  
FS,PS~W,WM,M~to 20’H~White~MJ

Blackhaw Viburnum (Viburnum prunifolium)  
FS,PS~WM,M,DM~to 16’H~Cream~MJ

American Cranberry (Viburnum trilobum)  
FS,PS~W,WM,M~to 12’H~White~MJ

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Dry Mesic (DM), Dry (D)
Ht.~Bloom Color~Bloom Months~Comments