



8.2 Central USA Plains



Lanceleaf Coreopsis

(*Coreopsis lanceolata*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late spring through mid summer
HEIGHT: 1-2 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 Relatively free of pests and naturally resistant to deer, this attractive yellow flower draws a wide array of native pollinators. In the right conditions, this plant grows quickly and can self seed.



Prairie coreopsis

(*Coreopsis palmata*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late spring to mid summer
HEIGHT: 1-3 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This bright yellow flower attracts birds and butterflies and is ignored by deer. It is drought resistant and tolerates poor soil.

**Not native to eastern half of ecoregion*



Grass-Leaved Goldenrod

(*Euthamia graminifolia*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall
HEIGHT: 3-6 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This bushy plant has dense yellow flowers that support a wide variety of insect species and songbirds. This species has no serious pests or diseases.



Autumnale Sneezeweed

(*Helenium autumnale*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Average to high
SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid summer through fall
HEIGHT: 3-5 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This showy perennial provides a pop of color in the late summer to fall season. It is tolerant of many soil and water conditions but performs best in wet, well draining soil.



Common Evening Primrose

(*Oenothera biennis*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall
HEIGHT: 3-5 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This fragrant flower produces a profusion of yellow flowers that open in the evening and close in the morning. This species blooms in its second year, and the whole plant is edible.



Orange Coneflower

(*Rudbeckia fulgida*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid summer through fall
HEIGHT: 2-4 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This bright flower blooms profusely in full sun but can tolerate some shade. It is low maintenance, highly disease tolerant, deer resistant, and attractive to butterflies.



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Black-Eyed Susan

(*Rudbeckia hirta*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Summer through fall
HEIGHT: 2-3 ft
DURATION: Short-lived perennial
 This short-lived perennial with 3 inch blooms self seeds and can tolerate a wide range of growing conditions. It has no serious pests or diseases and is deer resistant.



Cutleaf Coneflower

(*Rudbeckia laciniata*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Average to high
SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid summer through fall
HEIGHT: 3-9 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This 3-4 inch flower grows well in a large pot with support, and its attractive seedheads extend the season of interest into the winter. It has no serious pests or diseases and is deer resistant.



Brown-Eyed Susan

(*Rudbeckia triloba*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Mid summer through fall
HEIGHT: 3-4 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This low maintenance plant is disease and deer resistant. Flowers are long lasting and are excellent cut flowers. Deadheading can be used to promote longer blooming and reduce self seeding.



Blue Wood Aster

(*Symphyotrichum cordifolium*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late summer through fall
HEIGHT: 2-5 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This densely flowering plant is a stunning late season choice, providing nectar to butterflies and visual interest. This species is generally pest free and deer resistant.



White Heath Aster

(*Symphyotrichum ericoides*)



LIGHT: Full sun
WATER: Low to average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late summer through fall
HEIGHT: 1-3 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This densely blooming and compact plant resembles a spreading Juniper shrub when not in bloom. This low maintenance species does not have any serious pests or diseases.
 *Not native to CA and NV



New England Aster

(*Symphyotrichum novae-angliae*)



LIGHT: Full sun to partial sun
WATER: Average
SEASON OF INTEREST: Late summer through fall
HEIGHT: 4-6 ft
DURATION: Perennial
 This easy to grow plant produces purple, daisy-like flowers with a yellow or red center that attracts pollinators. Do not worry if flowers close at night or in cloudy weather, they will perk up once the sun returns. Resistant to deer and rabbits.