

Summer Shadows

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Invite the butterflies and hummingbirds into your garden with this luscious array of blues, yellows, and pinks! The delicate whimsy of the Crystal River™ Speedwell and Blue Harebell strike a beautiful balance against the bold yellow of the Yellow Avens and Columbine. This adaptable garden will thrive and bring color to areas of your yard that may receive less direct sunlight than the rest.



Adaptable sun exposure - sun or part shade (requires 4 to 6 hrs of direct or indirect sun per day)



Planting maps cover 100 sq. ft.



Blooms early spring to fall



Low to medium water needs



Hardiness maximum of 7,000 ft.

Individual Plant Information

N indicates a native plant

BLUE NATIVE HAREBELL - *Campanula rotundifolia* **N**

QTY. 3



Coming from the Latin word campana meaning “bell,” this perennial features loose rosettes of foliage with blue, bell-shaped flowers on wiry stems.



Mature height 6-18"
Mature spread 12-18"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms spring to summer



Attracts hummingbirds



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: This adaptable plant performs well on rocky mountain slopes, dry meadows and prairies, and open woods with moist soils.

CRYSTAL RIVER™ SPEEDWELL - *Veronica repens*

QTY. 3



Masses of tiny, blue flowers bloom in spring almost completely covering the plant, and later recur lightly sprinkled amongst the foliage throughout the summer.



Mature height 2-3"
Mature spread 20-30"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms spring to summer



Attracts bees, butterflies



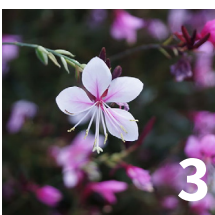
Resists deer



CARE: This plant is low maintenance and grows best in full sun to part shade.

PINK WHIRLING BUTTERFLIES - *Gaura lindheimeri* ‘Pink Cloud’ **N**

QTY. 2



A loosely branching perennial with wand-like panicles, it gives the impression of butterflies whirling in the breeze with its delicate but tough pink flowers.



Mature height 2-3'
Mature spread 2-3'



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms mid to late summer



Attracts bees, butterflies, hummingbirds



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: An extremely low maintenance plant! Division is not necessary or recommended due to its deep tap root. Prefers well drained soils, so it appreciates added compost to its planting hole if planting in heavy clay soils.

PLUMBAGO - *Ceratostigma plumbaginoides*

QTY. 3



This hardy perennial's striking blue flowers intermingle with shiny, green, ovate leaves that form an attractive spreading mound. In late autumn leaves turn burgundy red.



Mature height 8-12"
Mature spread 18-24"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms midsummer to fall



Attracts butterflies



Resists deer



CARE: During the winter, it will go dormant and it is late to emerge in spring so be sure to mark its spot in the garden to avoid accidental damage to the plant. Does not tolerate poorly drained soils.

BRILLIANT POPPY - *Papaver orientale* 'Brilliant'

QTY. 3



This gorgeous spring-time favorite boasts outstanding and paper-thin bright red flowers that float above thin, hairy green stalks and deeply lobed leaves.



Mature height 18-24"
Mature height 15-18"



Adaptable to full sun



Low water needs



Blooms spring to summer



Attracts bees, butterflies



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: Hardier than its delicate flower suggests, this plant performs well on rocky mountain slopes, dry meadows and prairies, and open woods, and tolerates a variety of soil conditions.

PRAIRIE JUNEGRASS - *Koeleria macrantha* N

QTY. 3



This cool season clump forming grass has stiff upright stems and come mid-summer, develops tan feathery plumes of seeds.



Mature height 1-2'
Mature height 9-15"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms summer



Attracts birds



Resists deer



CARE: Thrives in rocky, well-drained soils.

YELLOW COLUMBINE - *Aquilegia chrysantha* N

QTY. 3



Its large long-spurred, but dainty, golden flowers dangle gracefully above attractive lobed blue-green leaflets.



Mature height 2-3'
Mature spread 18-24"



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms late spring to summer



Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: Columbines are relatively short lived, so allow some of the plants to seed and self-sow.

WHITE NANCY NETTLE - *Lamium album*

QTY. 3



Creamy white clusters of small, hooded flowers bloom atop silvery-green leaves that make this groundcover a striking perennial even when not blooming.



Mature height 6-12"
Mature spread 12-18"



Partial shade



Medium water needs



Blooms spring



Attracts bees



Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: Avoid planting in full sun and dry soil. Appreciates regular watering to get established, but can tolerate drought after first year. Semi-evergreen.

YELLOW AVENS - *Geum chiloense* 'Lady Strathaden'

QTY. 3



Sparsely leaved stalks produce dark green leaves and yellowish orange double flowers. Blossoms remain on the plant for many weeks before they are carried away by the wind.



Mature height 18-24"
Mature spread 12-18"



Adaptable



Medium water needs



Blooms late spring to midsummer



Attracts bees, butterflies



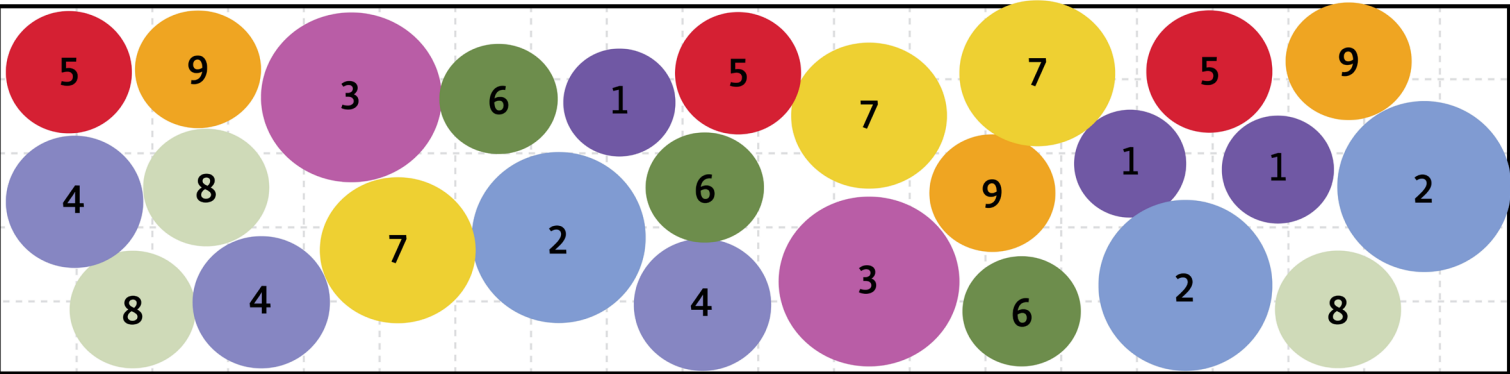
Resists deer



CARE: This easy to care for variety appreciates well drained soil and regular watering during the first growing season to establish a strong root system.

Plant Maintenance by Season

MAINTENANCE TASKS	PLANT
SPRING (AFTER FIRST GROWING SEASON)	
Cut back old growth or winter damage before new growth begins to show.	Prairie Junegrass, White Nancy Nettle, Yellow Avens, Yellow Columbine
Divide mature plants in early spring every 3 years, as needed.	Crystal River™ Speedwell, Plumbago, Yellow Avens
“Comb out” or remove dead foliage.	Pink Whirling Butterflies, Plumbago
SUMMER	
Deadhead spent flowers to encourage new blooms and/or minimize self-seeding.	Blue Native Harebell, Pink Whirling Butterflies, White Nancy Nettle, Yellow Avens, Yellow Columbine
Benefits from shearing back by about 1/3 after first round of blooms.	Crystal River™ Speedwell
If foliage becomes ragged during summer heat, cut back to a few inches above the ground to encourage fresh growth.	Yellow Columbine
FALL	
Leave last round of blooms to self-seed and/or to provide food for birds.	Plumbago, Yellow Avens
Do not prune or cut back! Plant susceptible to winter damage if pruned.	Brilliant Poppy, Yellow Columbine



5' x 20' rectangle
SUGGESTED FRONT SIDE OF GARDEN

Plant-by-Number Design Suggestions

