

Bees & Blooms

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A pollinator's dream, this garden will continue to flower from late spring through fall, tempting pollinators when there is little else for them to munch on. This garden will paint your landscape with an ever-changing and always striking southwestern sunrise with pinks, vibrant orange, and cool yellow hues.



Full sun exposure
(6 hrs of direct or indirect sun per day)



Planting maps cover 100 sq. ft.



Blooms spring to fall



Low to medium water needs



Hardiness maximum of 7,000 ft.

Individual Plant Information

N indicates a regionally native plant

AUTUMN JOY SEDUM - *Sedum* 'Autumn Joy'

QTY. 4



An umbrella of flowers change from soft pink in August to a coppery bronze seedhead in November, atop pale green, succulent-like leaves.



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



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms late summer to fall



Attracts bees, birds, butterflies



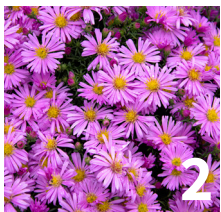
Resists deer, rabbits



CARE: Older plants tend to split in the center if not divided.

AROMATIC ASTER - *Symphyotrichum oblongifolium*

QTY. 4



Aromatic Aster forms a bushy, rounded clump of narrow, glossy, dark green foliage covered by densely packed clusters of crimson-red flowers.



Mature height 1-2'
Mature spread 1-2'



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms late summer to fall



Attracts bees, butterflies



Resists deer



CARE: Give this plenty of room to grow. It is susceptible to powdery mildew, a disease that can be prevented with good air circulation in well-draining soil. Keep in mind it spreads easily and can fill in open spaces, but if this is undesired cutting back before it seeds in the late summer is recommended.

GAY BUTTERFLY - *Asclepias tuberosa* **N**

QTY. 4



Intense tangerine orange flower clusters invite droves of butterflies. A host plant for Monarchs in particular, but hummingbirds also cherish its abundant nectar.



Mature height 18-36"
Mature spread 18-24"



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms mid to late summer



Attracts bees, butterflies



Resists deer



CARE: Low maintenance and tough, it is slow to establish (2-3 years) but long lived. It's late to emerge in spring but will self-sow readily. Asclepias do best in sunny locations with sandy soils but tolerate poor or average soils. Division not recommended due to long tap root.

MISSOURI EVENING PRIMROSE - *Oenothera macrocarpa* N

QTY. 3



Native to the High Plains, this perennial has large, square lemon-yellow flowers. Although the flowers are only open for one evening, the plant will bloom again and again throughout the season.



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



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms midsummer



Attracts bees



Resists deer,
rabbits



CARE: The Missouri Evening Primrose fares well in hot, dry areas with well-drained soil. Once established, it will become drought-tolerant. Prevent complete soil dryness, and maintain a mulch layer.

MOONBEAM COREOPSIS - *Coreopsis verticillata* 'Moonbeam'

QTY. 3



Pale yellow daisy-like flowers cover an airy mound of fine dissected foliage. Prolific bloomer throughout the summer.



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



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms midsummer
to fall



Attracts bees,
butterflies



Resists deer,
rabbits



CARE: Thrives in most soils except very heavy and very wet clay. Be sure to not let sit in wet soils for long. Often late to wake up from dormancy in the spring, could be helpful to mark its place in the summer.

PAPRIKA YARROW - *Achillea millefolium* 'Paprika' N

QTY. 2



Brick red flowers with yellow centers give this yarrow cultivar a unique place in the garden. Foliage is finely divided and feathery, in basal clumps.



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



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms summer



Attracts bees, birds,
butterflies



Resists deer,
rabbits



CARE: Best in hot, dry, sunny locations, these flowers thrive on neglect and do not need pampering. Basal foliage will remain attractive throughout the winter.

PRAIRIE WINECUPS - *Callirhoe involucrata* N

QTY. 2



These pink, chalice-shaped flowers complement the silver and deeply lobed foliage. Winecups will spread, creating a delightful mat of foliage studded with showy pink blooms.



Mature height 6-12"
Mature spread 2-3'



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms early
summer to fall



Attracts bees,
butterflies



Resists deer



CARE: Referred to as the "Buffalo Rose" because they grow well in dry, rocky areas like prairies, pastures, open woods, and roadsides. Winecups are incredibly drought resistant and foliage will stay green nearly all year. Due to long taproot, transplanting is not encouraged.

SUNSET HYSSOP - *Agastache rupestris* N

QTY. 2



Bold spikes of sunset-orange flowers, which have a wonderful root beer aroma, are borne from August to frost. Native to the American Southwest, it will thrive in our hot, dry climate in sun or partial shade.



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



Adaptable



Low water needs



Blooms summer to
fall



Attracts bees, birds,
hummingbirds



Resists deer,
rabbits



CARE: Water regularly for the first season to establish the root system. Make sure the soil is well drained, as Hyssop does not tolerate soil that is constantly wet. After it is established, it is very drought tolerant.

WHITE SWAN CONEFLOWER - *Echinacea purpurea* 'White Swan' N

QTY. 5



Large, deep green leaves form a wide base becoming progressively smaller moving up the dainty, yet sturdy stems. Large, daisy-like flowers with white rays are held above the foliage throughout summer.



Mature height 24-30"
Mature spread 18-24"



Full sun



Low water needs



Blooms mid to
summer



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butterflies

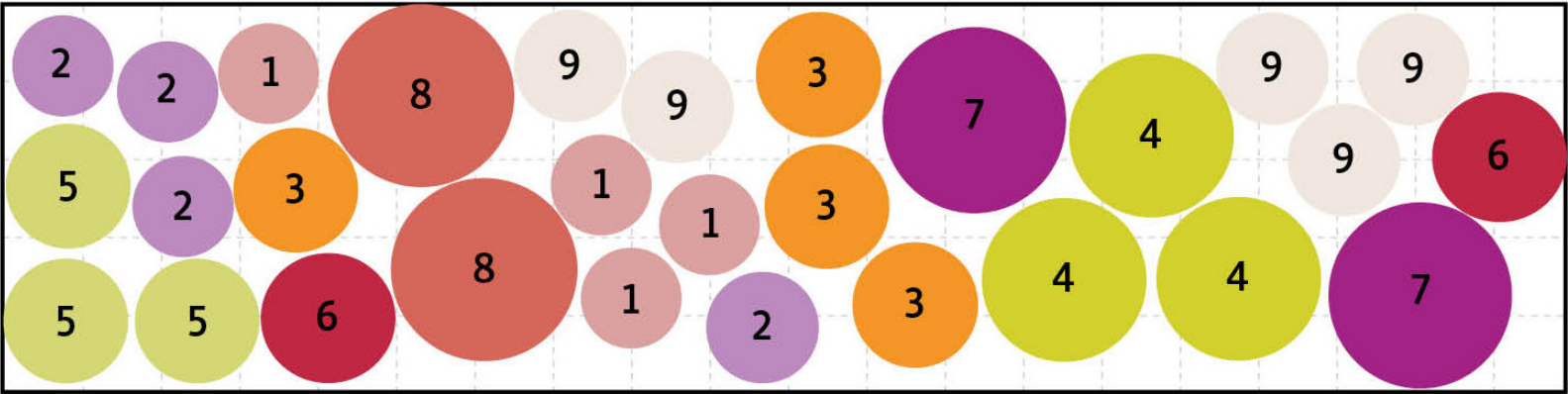


CARE: Division is not recommended due to long tap root.

Plant Maintenance by Season

MAINTENANCE TASKS	PLANT
SPRING (AFTER FIRST GROWING SEASON)	
Divide mature plants in early spring every 3-4 years, as desired.	Autumn Joy Sedum, Aromatic Aster, Moonbeam Coreopsis
Cut back old growth or winter damage in mid to late spring.	Autumn Joy Sedum, Gay Butterfly, Missouri Evening Primrose, Moonbeam Coreopsis, Paprika Yarrow, Prairie Winecups, Sunset Hyssop, White Swan Coneflower
SUMMER	
Deadhead spent flowers to encourage new blooms and compact growth, and/or to minimize self-seeding.	Aromatic Aster, Gay Butterfly, Missouri Evening Primrose, Moonbeam Coreopsis, Paprika Yarrow, Prairie Winecups, White Swan Coneflower
Water sparingly once established.	Sunset Hyssop
FALL	
Leave last round of blooms to self-seed and/or to provide food for birds.	Autumn Joy Sedum, Gay Butterfly, Missouri Evening Primrose, Moonbeam Coreopsis, Paprika Yarrow, White Swan Coneflower
Do not prune or cut back! Wait until spring to cut back to avoid crown rot.	Sunset Hyssop

Plant-by-Number Design Suggestions



20' x 5' rectangle
SUGGESTED FRONT SIDE OF GARDEN

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Key

1. Autumn Joy Sedum (Qty. 4)

2. Aromatic Aster (Qty. 4)

3. Gay Butterfly (Qty. 4)

4. Missouri Evening Primrose (Qty. 3)

5. Moonbeam Coreopsis (Qty. 3)
6. Paprika Yarrow (Qty. 2)

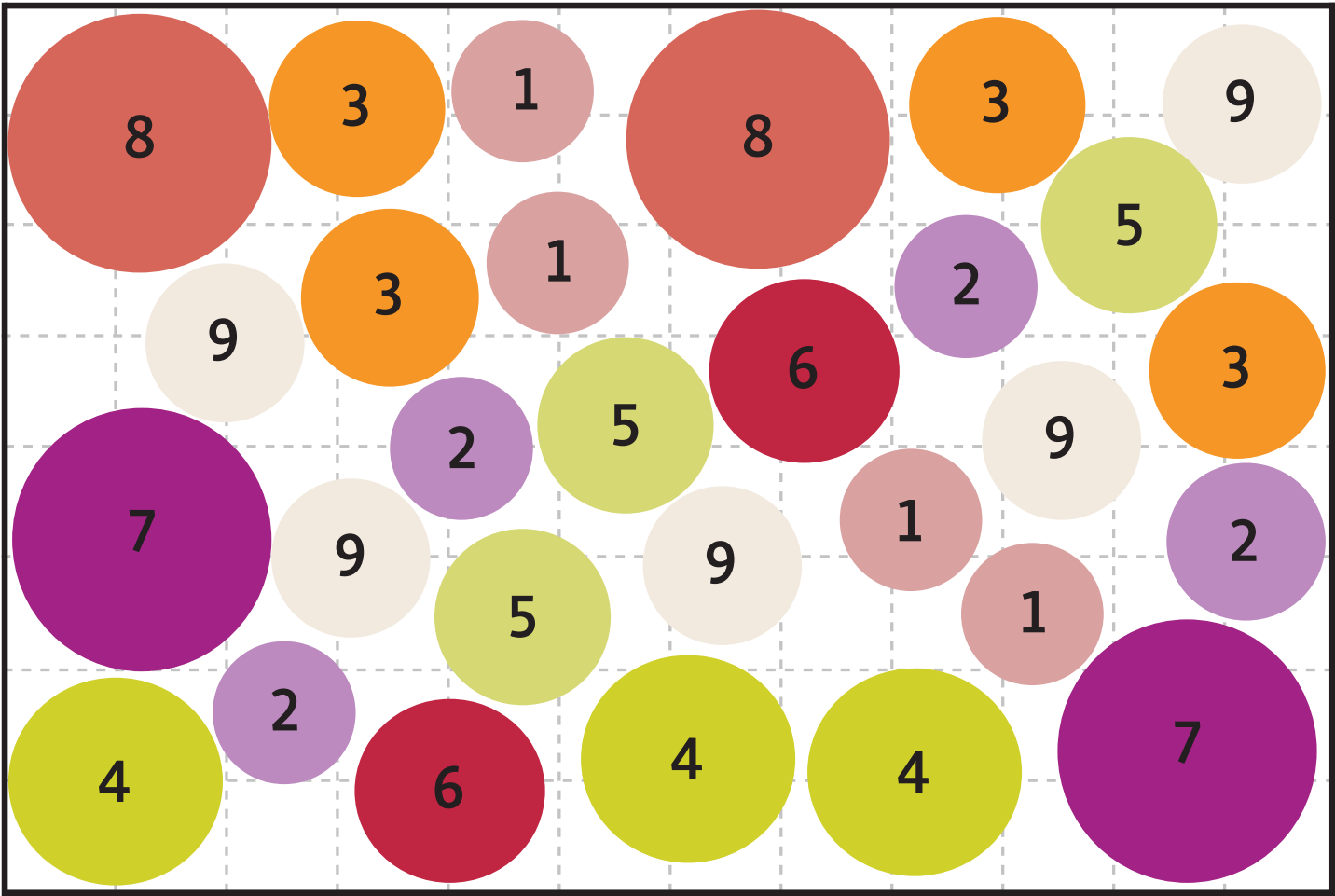
7. Prairie Winecups (Qty. 2)

8. Sunset Hyssop (Qty. 2)

9. White Swan Coneflower (Qty. 5)

1 box = 1 square foot

Maps reflect showy bloom or foliage color.



12' x 8' rectangle
SUGGESTED FRONT SIDE OF GARDEN