



NATIVE PLANT DEMONSTRATION GARDEN AT EKAR FARM

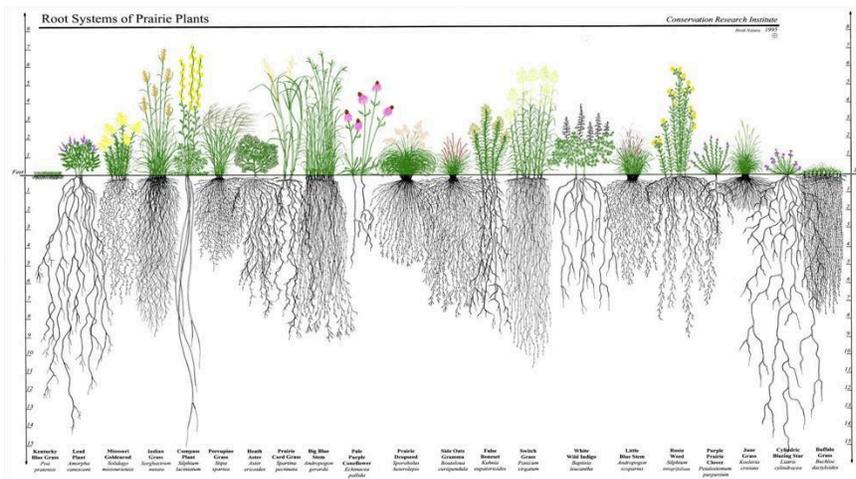
Beginning in 2020 Wild Ones Front Range Chapter has collaborated with Ekar Farm to design and install a 900 ft² demonstration garden to showcase Coloradoscaping with native plants. Ekar Farm provides space and water for irrigation and WOFR has designed, installed and maintained plants. The garden shows how native plants can be used to create a beautiful sustainable landscape.

WHY COLORADOSCAPE WITH NATIVE PLANTS?

Our native butterflies, moths and birds depend on native plants for food

- Songbirds rely on caterpillars to feed their young
- Many moths and butterflies depend on specific native host plants to feed their young
- Non-native turf and other exotic nursery plants are often not edible to our native pollinators and songbirds

Native plants create healthy soils and deep root systems that sequester lots of carbon, helping to combat climate change and retain water in the soil



Coloradoscaping with native plants saves water, fertilizer and labor because they are adapted to Colorado's harsh weather and clay soils

Replacing non-native turf with native pollinator habitat can reduce irrigation water needs by as much as 70%!

PLANT LIST FOR EKAR FARM NATIVE PLANT DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

TREES/SHRUBS

Amelanchier alnifolia	Serviceberry
Amorpha canescens	Leadplant
Chamaebatiaria millefolium	Fernbush
*Crataegus ambigua	Russian hawthorne
Ericameria nauseosus var. nauseosa	Dwarf blue rabbitbrush
Fallugia paradoxa	Apache plume
Juniperus scopularum	Rocky Mountain juniper
Prunus virginiana	Chokecherry
Quercus gambelii	Gambel oak
Rosa nutkana	Nootka rose
Rhus trilobata	Three-lobed sumac
*Xanthoceras sorbifolium	Yellowhorn

FORBS

Achillea lanulosa	Western yarrow
Amorpha nan	Dwarf leadplant
Amsonia jonesii	Jones bluestar
Antennaria neglecta	Pussytoes
Aquilegia chrysantha	Golden columbine
Asclepias sullivantii	Prairie milkweed
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly milkweed
Berlandiera lyrata	Chocolate flower
Dalea purpurea	Purple prairie clover
Engelmannia perstenia	Engelmann's daisy
Erigeron compositus	Cutleaf daisy
Eriogonum umbellatum	Sulphur buckwheat
Gaillardia aristata	Blanket flower
Geum triflorum	Prairie smoke
Helianthus maximiliani	Maximillian sunflower
Liatris ligulistylis	Meadow blazing star
Lupinus argentea	Silvery lupine
Mirabilis multiflora	Desert four o'clock
Monarda fistulosa	Bee balm
Opuntia rhodantha	Snowball prickly pear
Penstemon palmeri	Palmer's penstemon
Penstemon rostriflorus	Bridge's penstemon
Penstemon strictus	Rocky Mt penstemon
Penstemon virens	Blue mist penstemon
Ratibida columnifera	Prairie coneflower
Solidago rigida	Goldenrod
Sphaeralcea coccinea	Cowboy's delight
Sphaeralcea munroana	Munro's globemallow
Symphotrichum leave	Smooth aster
Viola petatifida	Prairie violet
Verbena stricta	Hoary vervain

GRASSES

Acnatherum hymenoides	Indian rice grass (cool season)
Bouteloua gracilis	Blue grama
Deschampsia caespitosa	Tufted hairgrass (cool season)
Koeleria macranthera	June grass (cool season)
Schyzachirium scoparium	Little bluestem
Sporobolus airoides	Alkali sacaton

*Not a western native or native cultivar