

# Burnett County Native Plant Lists

## Prairie/Upland Meadow



Dry to medium soils

Full sun 8 hours

| Common Name                 | Scientific Name                | Height | Flower Color | Bloom Time | Butterflies | Hummingbirds | Songbirds | Waterfowl | Game Birds | Reptiles/Amphibians | Small Mammals | Deer |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------------|---------------|------|
| <b>Grasses</b>              |                                |        |              |            |             |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Big bluestem °              | <i>Andropogon gerardii</i>     | 3-8'   | NA           | NA         |             |              | •         |           | •          | •                   | •             | •    |
| Blue grama*                 | <i>Bouteloua gracilis</i>      | 1-2'   | NA           | NA         |             |              | •         |           | •          |                     |               | •    |
| Bottlebrush grass           | <i>Elymus hystrix</i>          | 3'     | NA           | NA         |             |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Canada wild rye             | <i>Elymus canadensis</i>       | 3-6'   | NA           | NA         | •           |              |           |           |            |                     | •             | •    |
| Indian grass °              | <i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>      | 3-6'   | NA           | NA         | •           |              | •         |           | •          |                     |               |      |
| June grass*                 | <i>Koeleria macrantha</i>      | 1-2'   | NA           | NA         |             |              |           |           |            |                     |               | •    |
| Little bluestem*            | <i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> | 2-3'   | NA           | NA         | •           |              | •         |           |            |                     |               | •    |
| Needle grass*               | <i>Stipa spartea</i>           | 3-4'   | NA           | NA         |             |              | •         |           |            |                     | •             | •    |
| Prairie dropseed*           | <i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i>  | 2-4'   | NA           | NA         |             |              | •         |           | •          |                     | •             | •    |
| Side oats grama*            | <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>  | 2-3'   | NA           | NA         |             |              | •         |           | •          |                     |               | •    |
| <b>Wildflowers</b>          |                                |        |              |            |             |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Anise hyssop*               | <i>Agastache foeniculum</i>    | 2-4'   | Lavender     | June-Oct   | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Bergamot* °                 | <i>Monarda fistulosa</i>       | 2-4'   | Lavender     | July-Aug   | •           | •            |           | •         |            |                     |               | •    |
| Black-eyed Susan*           | <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>         | 1-3'   | Yellow       | June-Oct   | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Bush clover*                | <i>Lespedeza capitata</i>      | 3-4'   | Green        | July-Oct   |             |              | •         |           | •          |                     |               | •    |
| Butterfly weed*             | <i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>      | 2-3'   | Orange       | June-Sept  | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Canada milk vetch           | <i>Astragalus canadensis</i>   | 2-3'   | White        | June-Aug   |             |              |           |           | •          |                     | •             | •    |
| Dotted mint                 | <i>Monarda punctata</i>        | 1-3'   | Lavender     | June-Sept  | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| False sunflower* °          | <i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> | 2-5'   | Yellow       | June-Oct   | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Fireweed                    | <i>Epilobium angustifolium</i> | 2-6'   | Pink         | June-Aug   | •           | •            |           |           |            |                     | •             |      |
| Frost aster °               | <i>Aster pilosus</i>           | 1-3'   | White        | Aug-Oct    | •           |              | •         | •         | •          |                     | •             | •    |
| Harebell* °                 | <i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>  | 4-20"  | Purple       | June-Sept  |             | •            |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Heath aster                 | <i>Aster ericoides</i>         | 6-36"  | White        | Aug-Oct    | •           |              | •         | •         | •          |                     | •             | •    |
| Heart-leaf golden alexander | <i>Zizia aptera</i>            | 1-3'   | Yellow       | May-June   | •           |              |           |           |            |                     |               |      |
| Hoary vervain*              | <i>Verbena stricta</i>         | 2-3'   | Blue         | June-Sept  | •           |              | •         |           |            |                     | •             |      |

° = Clay tolerant

\* = Best for driest sites

NA = Not Applicable – no flowers or inconspicuous flowers

|                        |                                |       |          |           |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|----------|-----------|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| Lance-leaf coreopsis*  | <i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>    | 2-3'  | Yellow   | June-Aug  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Leadplant*             | <i>Amorpha canescens</i>       | 2-3'  | Blue     | June-July | • |  | • |  |   |  | • | • |
| Lupine*                | <i>Lupinus perennis</i>        | 1-2'  | Blue     | May-July  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Pasque flower*         | <i>Anemone patens</i>          | 2-14" | Lavender | Mar-May   |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |
| Prairie coreopsis      | <i>Coreopsis palmata</i>       | 1-2'  | Yellow   | June-Oct  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Prairie phlox          | <i>Phlox pilosa</i>            | 1-2'  | Pink     | May-June  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Prairie sage*          | <i>Artemisia ludoviciana</i>   | 2-3'  | White    | July-Oct  |   |  | • |  |   |  | • |   |
| Prairie smoke*         | <i>Geum triflorum</i>          | 6-13" | Red      | May-June  |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |
| Prairie violet         | <i>Viola pedatifida</i>        | 6-8"  | Blue     | May-June  | • |  | • |  | • |  | • |   |
| Pearly everlasting*    | <i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>  | 1-2'  | White    | June-Aug  |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |
| Purple prairie clover* | <i>Dalea purpurea</i>          | 1-3'  | Purple   | May-Sept  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Rough blazing star* °  | <i>Liatris aspera</i>          | 2-3'  | Purple   | Aug-Sept  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Showy goldenrod °      | <i>Solidago speciosa</i>       | 2-4'  | Yellow   | Aug-Oct   | • |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| Smooth blue aster      | <i>Aster laevis</i>            | 2-3'  | Blue     | Aug-Oct   | • |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| Sky blue aster         | <i>Aster oolentangiensis</i>   | 1-4'  | Blue     | Aug-Oct   | • |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| Spike lobelia*         | <i>Lobelia spicata</i>         | 8-40" | Lavender | June-Aug  | • |  |   |  |   |  |   | • |
| Stiff goldenrod °      | <i>Solidago rigida</i>         | 1-5'  | Yellow   | Aug-Sept  | • |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| Upland white aster     | <i>Solidago ptarmicoides</i>   | 1-2'  | White    | June-Sept |   |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| Western sunflower*     | <i>Helianthus occidentalis</i> | 2-3'  | Yellow   | June-Sept |   |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |
| White prairie clover*  | <i>Dalea candida</i>           | 1-3'  | White    | May-Sept  | • |  |   |  |   |  | • | • |
| Yarrow* °              | <i>Achillea millefolium</i>    | 2-3'  | White    | June-July |   |  |   |  | • |  | • |   |
| <b>Shrubs</b>          |                                |       |          |           |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |   |
| New Jersey tea*        | <i>Ceanothus americanus</i>    | 1-3'  | White    | May-June  |   |  |   |  |   |  | • |   |
| Prairie rose           | <i>Rosa arkansana</i>          | 2-3'  | Pink     | June-Aug  |   |  | • |  | • |  | • | • |

° = Clay tolerant

\* = Best for driest sites

NA = Not Applicable – no flowers or inconspicuous flowers

Wildlife information sources:

Craven, Scott R. and Edward R. Hasselkus. *Landscape Plants that Attract Birds*. University of Wisconsin Extension.

Martin, Alexander C. et.al., *American Wildlife and Plants, a Guide to Wildlife Food Habits; the Use of Trees, Shrubs, Weeds, and Herbs by Birds and Mammals in the United States*. 1951.

Shaw, Daniel and Rusty Schmidt. *Plant Species Selection for the Upper Midwest*. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. 2003.

Connecticut Botanical Society web site: [www.ct-botanicalsociety.org](http://www.ct-botanicalsociety.org)

Illinois Wildflowers web site: [www.illinoiswildflowers.info](http://www.illinoiswildflowers.info)

NPIN: Native Plant Database: [www.wildflower.org](http://www.wildflower.org)

For a pdf copy of this handout, go to [Burnettcounty.com/shoreline](http://Burnettcounty.com/shoreline)

# Selected Species

## Prairie/Upland Meadow



Dry to medium soils

Full sun 8 hours



Big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)



Bottlebrush grass (*Elymus hystrix*)



Indian grass (*Sorghastrum nutans*)



Little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scorparium*)



Side oats grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*)



Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*)



Black eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)



False sunflower (*Heliopsis helianthoides*)



Fireweed (*Epilobium angustifolium*)



Heart leaf golden alexander (*Zizia aptera*)



Lupine (*Lupinus perennis*)



Prairie coreopsis (*Coreopsis palmata*)



Prairie phlox (*Phlox pilosa*)



Pearly everlasting (*Anaphalis margaritacea*)



Purple prairie clover (*Dalea purpurea*)



Rough blazing star (*Liatrix aspera*)



Smooth blue aster (*Aster laevis*)



Sky blue aster (*Aster oolentangiensis*)

Photo Source: "Wisconsin Botanical Information System" UW Madison Wisconsin State Herbarium