

Plants in Explore the Wild



Thornless Blackberry (*Rubus sp.*)

- 6'
- Full Sun
- North American
- Edible fruit
- Blooms attract bees



Piglet Fountain Grass (*Pennisetum 'Piglet'*)

- 1.5' tall
- Sun
- Provides cover for insects and nesting material and seed for birds



Adagio Maiden Grass (*Miscanthus sinensis 'Adagio'*)

- 4' tall
- Partial to full sun
- Leaves have a white stripe in the center
- Provides cover for insects and nesting material and seed for birds



Gulf Coast Muhly (*Muhlenbergia capillaris*)

- 3' tall
- Full Sun
- Pink Seed heads – also have a white variety in the garden
- Provides cover for insects and nesting material for birds



Bamboo Muhly (*Muhlenbergia dumosa*)

- 4' tall
- Sun
- Provides cover for insects



Cassian Fountain Grass (*Pennisetum alopecuroides* 'Cassian')

- 3' tall
- Full Sun
- White seed heads attract birds and provide cover for insects



Gold Bar Grass (*Miscanthus sinensis* 'Gold Bar')

- 4' tall
- Full Sun
- Asian
- Provides cover for insects and nesting material for birds



Dutchman's Pipe (*Aristolochia fimbriata*)

- 6" tall
- Sun
- South American
- Larval host for Pipevine Swallowtail Butterfly
- Yellow and brown flowers attract flies for pollination



Lemon Verbena (*Aloysia citrodora*)

- 3' tall
- Full Sun
- Edible lemon scented leaves
- South American
- Small white blooms attract bees



Flowering Senna (*Cassia corymbosa*)

- 5' tall
- Sun
- South American
- Yellow blooms attract hummingbirds, bees, and butterflies
- Used as larval host for Sulphur Butterflies



Rangoon Creeper (*Quisqualis indica*)

- 30' vines
- Sun
- Asian
- Most fragrant at night/early morning
- White/pink/red blooms attract bees and butterflies



Mexican Mint Marigold (*Tagetes lucida*)

- 2' tall
- Sun
- Mexico/Central American
- Edible anise scented leaves
- Yellow blooms attract bees and butterflies



Red Shrimp Plant (*Justicia brandegeana*)

- 3'
- Full Sun – Part Shade
- Mexico
- Red shrimp-shaped bloom
- Attracts bees



Flame Acanthus (*Anisacanthus wrightii*)

- 3' tall
- Sun-Part Shade
- Texas – Mexico
- Red/orange blooms attract Hummingbirds, butterflies, and bees
- Larval host for the Texan Crescent Butterfly



Mexican Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias curassavica*)

- 2' tall
- Full Sun
- South American
- Red/orange and yellow flowers attract butterflies and hummingbirds
- Larval host for Monarch Butterflies
- People should consider cutting it to the ground in fall to cut down the spread of OE and to encourage the monarchs to finish their fall migration



White Shrub Penta (*Penta* 'White Upright')

- 2' tall
- Full Sun
- African
- White flowers attract butterflies and bees



Whirling Butterfly (*Gaura lindheimeri*)

- 2' tall
- Full Sun
- Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma
- White flowers attract bees
- Flowers on slender stems blowing in the breeze look a little like butterflies



Upright Rosemary (*Rosemarinus officinalis*)

- 4' tall
- Full Sun
- Lavender colored blooms attract bees
- Edible, scented leaves



Bat Face Cuphea (*Cuphea llavea*)

- 2' tall
- Full to Partial Sun
- Mexico
- Dark purple and red flowers look like a bat face
- Attracts hummingbirds and bees



Pink Skullcap (*Scutellaria suffrutescens*)

- 1' tall
- Full Sun
- Mexico
- Pink flowers attract bees and butterflies



African Blue Basil (*Ocimum x*)

- 3' tall
- Full Sun
- African
- Bee magnet
- Edible, scented leaves



Yellow Flag Iris (*Iris pseudacorus*)

- 4' tall
- Full sun to part shade
- Europe
- Attracts bees



Gulf Coast Penstemon (*Penstemon tenuis*)

- 1.5' tall
- Sun to part shade
- Gulf Coast prairies and marshes
- Small purple flowers attract bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds



Mexican Bauhinia (*Bauhinia lunarioides*)

- 7' tall
- Sun to part shade
- Texas and Mexico
- White flowers attract bees and butterflies



Henry Duelberg Salvia (*Savia farinacea* 'Henry Duelberg')

- 3' tall
- Full sun
- Texas
- Blue/Purple flowers attract bees and hummingbirds



Turk's Cap (*Malvaviscus arboreus* v. *drummondii*)

- 3' tall
- Full sun to part shade
- Texas east to Florida
- Red blooms attract butterflies, hummingbirds, and bees
- The fruit attracts birds



Texas Frogfruit (*Phyla nodiflora*)

- 3-6" tall
- Sun to part shade
- Southern half of the US to the tropics
- Small white flowers attract butterflies and bees
- Larval host for Phaon Crescentspot, Buckeye, and White Peacock butterflies



Pura Vida Passionvine (*Passiflora* 'Pura Vida Purple')

- Sun to light shade
- Purple flowers attract bees and butterflies
- Larval host for Gulf Fritillary Butterflies