

# Plants for Birds

Creating a bird-friendly landscape is a great way to create a healthy ecosystem. The presence of birds reduces pest populations, increases reseeding of plants, and controls weed development. Bristol's Garden Center have compiled a list of plant with essential characteristics to provide food and shelter for a wide variety of bird species. Please note, this list does not include plants for pollinators, including humming birds. Refer to our 'Plants for Pollinators' handout for more information. Feel free to ask our knowledgeable staff for guidance as well!

## TREES

*Abies spp.* – Fir  
*Acer spp.* – Maples  
*Amelanchier spp.* – Serviceberry  
*Asimia triloba* – Paw Paw  
*Betula spp.* – Birch  
*Carpinus caroliniana* – American Hornbeam  
*Carya spp.* –Hickories  
*Cercis canadensis* – Redbud  
*Celtis occidentalis* – Hackberry  
*Chionanthus virginicus* – American Fringetree  
*Cornus alnifolia* – Pagoda Dogwood  
*Cornus florida* – Flowering Dogwood  
*Cornus kousa* – Kousa Dogwood  
*Cornus mas* – Cornelian Cherry  
*Crataegus spp.* – Hawthorn  
*Diospyros virginiana* – Persimmon  
*Fagus grandifolia* – American Beech  
*Fraxinus spp.* – Ash  
*Juglans nigra* – Black Walnut  
*Juniperus spp.* – Juniper  
*Larix spp.* – Larch  
*Magnolia spp.* – Magnolias

*Malus spp.* – Apple/Crabapple  
*Morus spp.* – Mulberry  
*Nyssa sylvatica* – Blackgum  
*Ostrya virginiana* – Ironwood/Hop Hornbeam  
*Plantanus occidentalis* – American Sycamore  
*Plantanus x acerifolia* – London Planetree  
*Picea abies* – Norway Spruce  
*Picea pungens* – Blue Spruce  
*Picea glauca* – White Spruce  
*Pinus spp.* – Pines  
*Populus spp.* – Poplars/Aspen  
*Prunus virginiana* – Chokecherry  
*Prunus serotina* – Black Cherry  
*Prunus spp.* – Cherry/Plum  
*Pyrus spp.* – Pear  
*Quercus spp.* – Oaks  
*Sassafras albidum* – Sassafras  
*Salix spp.* – Willow  
*Sorbus spp.* – Mountain Ash  
*Tilia americana* – Basswood  
*Thuja spp.* – Arborvitae/Cedar  
*Tsuga canadensis* – Canadian Hemlock

## SHRUBS

*Aesculus parviflora* – Bottlebrush Buckeye  
*Aronia arbutifolia* – Red Chokeberry  
*Aronia melanocarpa* – Black Chokeberry  
*Callicarpa spp.* – Beautyberry  
*Calycanthus floridus* – Carolina Allspice  
*Ceanothus americanus* – New Jersey Tea  
*Cephalanthus occidentalis* – Buttonbush  
*Cornus alba* – Tartarian Dogwood  
*Cornus amomum* – Silky Dogwood  
*Cornus stolonifera* – Redosier Dogwood  
*Cornus sericea* – Redosier Dogwood  
*Corylus americana* – American Hazelnut  
*Euonymus alatus* – Burning Bush  
*Forsythia spp.* – Forsythia  
*Gaylussacia spp.* – Huckleberry

*Hamamelis vernalis* – Vernal Witch Hazel  
*Hamamelis virginiana* – Common Witch Hazel  
*Ilex spp.* – Holly/Winterberry  
*Lindera benzoin* – Spicebush  
*Mahonia aquifolium* – Oregon Grape Holly  
*Myrica pensylvanica* – Bayberry  
*Physocarpus opulifolius* – Ninebark  
*Rhus spp.* – Sumac  
*Ribes spp.* – Gooseberry/Currant  
*Rosa spp.* – Roses  
*Rubus spp.* – Blackberry/Raspberry  
*Sambucus canadensis* – Elderberry  
*Symphoricarpus spp.* – Snowberry/Coralberry  
*Vaccinium spp.* – Blueberry, cranberry, etc.  
*Viburnum spp.* – Viburnum



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## PERENNIALS

*Achillea* spp. – Yarrow  
*Actaea rubra* – Red Baneberry  
*Allium* spp. – Ornamental Onion  
*Andropogon gerardii* – Big Blue Stem  
*Aquilegia* spp. – Columbine  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi* – Bearberry  
*Arisaema* spp. – Jack-in-the-Pulpit  
*Aruncus* spp. – Goatsbeard  
*Asclepias* spp. – Butterfly Weed  
*Aster* spp. – Aster  
*Athyrium felix-femina* – Lady Fern  
*Baptisia* spp. – False Indigo  
*Bouteloua curtipendula* – Side Oats Grama  
*Caltha palustris* – Marsh Marigold  
*Carex* spp. – Sedges  
*Caulophyllum thalictroides* – Blue Cohosh  
*Chasmanthium* spp. – Northern Sea Oats  
*Chrysogonum virginianum* – Golden Star  
*Coreopsis* spp. – Tick Seed  
*Cornus canadensis* – Bunchberry  
*Deschampsia cespitosa* – Tuftedhair Grass  
*Digitalis* spp. – Foxglove  
*Echinacea* spp. – Coneflower  
*Eupatorium* spp. – Joe Pye Weed  
*Fragaria* spp. – Strawberries  
*Gaillardia* spp. – Blanket Flower  
*Gaultheria* spp. – Wintergreen  
*Gaura* spp. – Beeblossom  
*Geranium maculatum* – Wild Geranium  
*Geum triflorum* – Prairie Smoke

*Campsis radicans* – Trumpet Vine  
*Celastrus scandens* – Bittersweet  
*Lonicera sempervirens* – Trumpet Honeysuckle

*Amaranthus* spp. – Love-Lies-Bleeding  
*Centaurea* spp. – Bachelor's Button  
*Cosmos* spp. – Cosmos  
*Gaillardia* spp. – Blanket Flower  
*Helianthus* spp. – Sunflowers  
*Impatiens* spp. – Impatiens

*Helianthus* spp. – Perennial Sunflower  
*Hibiscus moscheutos* – Rose Mallow  
*Iris domestica* – Blackberry Lily  
*Juncus effuses* – Soft Rush  
*Liatris* spp. – Blazing Star  
*Liriope muscari* – Lilyturf  
*Lobelia cardinalis* – Cardinal Flower  
*Lupinus* spp. – Lupine  
*Matteuccia struthiopteris* – Ostrich Fern  
*Monarda* spp. – Bee Balm  
*Muehlenbergia* spp. – Muhly Grass  
*Osmunda cinnamomea* – Cinnamon Fern  
*Panicum* spp. – Switch Grass  
*Phlox* spp. – Phlox  
*Polygonatum biflorum* – Solomon's Seal  
*Primula* spp. – Primrose  
*Ratibida* spp. – Prairie Coneflower  
*Rosa rugosa* – Rugosa Rose  
*Rudbeckia* spp. – Black-eyed Susan  
*Scabiosa* spp. – Pincushion  
*Schizachyrium* spp. – Little Blue Stem  
*Sedum* spp. – Sedum  
*Sisyrinchium* spp. – Blue-eyed Grass  
*Solidago* spp. – Goldenrod  
*Sporobolus heterolepis* – Prairie Dropseed  
*Verbena hastata* – Blue Vervain  
*Vernonia* spp. – Ironweed  
*Veronicastrum virginicum* – Culver's Root  
*Viola* spp. – Violets

## VINES

*Ipomoea tricolor* – Morning Glory  
*Parthenocissus quinquefolia* – Virginia Creeper  
*Vitis* spp. – Grape

## ANNUALS

*Lantana* spp. – Lantana  
*Nigella* spp. – Love-in-a-Mist  
*Papaver* spp. – Poppies  
*Tithonia* spp. – Mexican Sunflower  
*Verbena* spp. – Vervain



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