

Union Plaza Plant Guide

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TREES

1. Serbian Spruce
2. Limber Pine
3. Kentucky Coffeetree
4. Prairie Gold Aspen
5. Swamp White Oak
6. Skyline Honeylocust
7. Sycamore
8. Redbud
9. Princeton Sentry Ginkgo
10. Dynasty Elm
11. Cornelian Cherry Dogwood
12. Shawnee Brave Baldcypress
13. Slender Silhouette Sweetgum
14. European Birdcherry
15. Columbia Plan Tree

SHRUBS

1. Taylor Juniper
2. Arctic Fire Dogwood
3. Gro Low Sumac
4. Lo & Behold Purple Haze Butterflybush
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6. Petite Blue Caryopteris
7. Smooth Sumac
8. Mohican Viburnum
9. Early Amethyst Purple Beautyberry
10. Glossy Black Chokeberry
11. Arctic Blue Willow
12. Autumn Amber Sumac
13. Dark Knight Caryopteris
14. Scarlet Snowberry
15. Pawnee Buttes Sand Cherry
16. Sem Sorbaria
17. Regents Servicberry
18. Black Viking Chokeberry
19. Dwarf Fothergilla
20. Chicago Lustre Viburnum
21. Iroquois Beauty Chokeberry
22. Muskingum Dogwood
23. Gold Tide Forsythia
24. Staghorn Sumac
25. Prairie Fire Sumac
26. Buttonbush
27. Purple Pavement Rose
28. White Snowberry
29. Red Snowberry
30. Candy Coralberry
31. Cranberrybush Viburnum

Plant List



PERENNIALS

1. Wild Dwarf Indigo (*Baptisia australis*)
2. White Swan Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea* 'White Swan')
3. Mongolian Gem Allium (*Allium* 'Mongolian Gem')
4. Alert Aster (*Aster novi-belgii* 'Alert')
5. Beauty Dark Blue Aster (*Aster alpinus* 'Dark Beauty')
6. Professor Kippenberg Aster (*Aster novi-belgii* 'Professor Anton Kippenberg')
7. My Antonia Aster (*Aster fenderleri* 'My Antonia')
8. October Skies Aster (*Symphotrichum oblongifolium* 'October Skies')
9. Rattlesnake Master (*Eryngium yuccifolium*)
10. Sapphire Skies Yucca (*Yucca rostrata* Sapphire)
11. Lemon Queen Helianthus (*Helianthus* 'Lemon Queen')
12. Maximilian Helianthus (*Helianthus maximilliani*)
13. Fireworks Goldenrod (*Solidago rugosa* 'Fireworks')
14. Pasque Flower (*Pulsatilla vulgaris*)
15. Hardy Verbena (*Verbena Canadensis*)
16. Ruby Star Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea* 'Rubinstern')
17. Sweet Autumn Clematis (*clematis paniculata*)
18. Caesar's Brother Siberian Iris (*Iris sibirica* 'Caesar's Brother')
19. Welcome Returns Iris (*Iris sibirica* 'Welcome Return')
20. Walkers Low Catmint (*Nepeta racemosa* 'Walker's Low')
21. Dwarf Purple Gayfeather (*Liatris spicata* 'Kobold')
22. Purple Prairie Clover (*Dalea purpurea*)
23. Missouri Primrose (*Oenothera macrocarpa*)
24. Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)
25. Butterfly Milkweed (*Asclepia tuberosa*)
26. New England Aster (*Symphotrichum novae-angliae*)
27. Pitcher Sage (*Salvia spathacea*)
28. Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)
29. Sky Blue Aster (*Symphotrichum oolentagiense*)
30. Spiked Gayfeather (*Liatris spicata*)
31. Pale Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea pallida*)
32. Lemon Mint (*Monarda citriodora*)
33. Goldsturm Rudbeckia (*Rudbeckia* 'Goldstrum')
34. Little Joe Pye weed (*Eupatorium dubium* 'Little Joe')
35. Prairie Gypsy Monarda (*Monarda bradburnia* 'Prairie Gypsy')
36. Leadplant (*Amorpha canescens*)
37. Black Samson (*Echinacea angustifoli*)
38. Prairie Snow Penstemon (*Penstemon grandiflorus* 'Prairie Snow')
39. Petite Delight Monarda (*Monarda* 'Petite Delight')
40. Purple Poppy Mallow (*Callirhoe involucrata*)
41. Ruby Star Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea* 'Ruby Star')
42. Blue Bird Aster (*Aster laevis* 'Bluebird')
43. Manchurian Clematis (*Clematis mandshrica*)
44. Dwarf Southernwood (*Thelypteris ovata lindheimerii*)
45. Raydon's Favorite Aster (*Aster oblongifolius* 'Raydon's Favorite')

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46. Jim Crockett Boltonia (*Boltonia asteroides* var. *latisquama* 'Masbolimket')
47. Little Lemon Goldenrod (*Solidago* hybrid 'Little Lemon')
48. Concord Grape Spiderwort (*Tradescantia* 'Concord Grape')
49. Sweet Autumn Clematis (*Clematis paniculata*)
50. Blue Fortune Agastache (*Agastache* 'Blue Fortune')
51. Kickin Carmine Red Aster (*Aster* Kickin Carmine Red')
52. Snow Flurry Aster (*Symphotrichum ericoides* 'Snow Flurry')
53. Aromatic Aster (*Symphotrichum oblongifolium*)
54. Fringed Poppy Mallow (*Callirhoe digitata*)
55. Wild Quinine (*Parthenium integrifolium*)
56. Prairie Onion (*Allium stellatum*)
57. Fragrant False Indigo (*Amorpha nana*)
58. Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)
59. Dream of Beauty Aster (*Symphotrichum oblong.*)
60. New England Aster (*Symphotrichum novae-angliae*)
61. Blue Mistflower (*Conoclinium coelestinum*)
62. Prairie Giant Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea* 'Prairie Giant')
63. Queen of the Prairie (*Filipendula rubra*)
64. Eureka Liatris (*Liatris pycnostachya* 'Eureka')
65. Rocky Mountain Blazing Star (*Liatris ligulistylis*)
66. Wichita Mountain Goldenrod (*Solidago* 'Wichita Mts.')
67. Hello Yellow Milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa* 'Hello Yellow')
68. Cinderella Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata* 'Cinderella')
69. Lilac Blue Aster (*Aster* kickin 'Lilac Blue;')
70. Little Adder Hyssop (*Agastach rugos* 'Little Adder')
71. White Baptisia (*Baptisia alba*)
72. Eureka Blazing Star (*Liatris pycnostac* 'Eureka')

73. Meadow Blazingstar (*Liatris ligulistylis*)
74. Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)
75. Prairie Blazing Star (*Liatris pycnostachya*)
76. Prairie Snow Penstemon (*Penstemon* Grand.P.S.)
77. Purple Haze Agastache (*Agastache foeniculum*)
78. Wild Senna (*Senna hebecarpa*)
79. Heartleaf Golden Alexander (*Zizia aptera*)
80. Milkweed species.

GRASSES

1. Blond Ambition Blue Grama
2. Equisetum
3. Little Bluestem
4. Blaze Little Bluestem
5. Ruby Ribbons Switchgrass
6. Sideoats Grama
7. Trailway Sideoats Grama
8. Blue Zinger Carex
9. Northern Lights Grass
10. Gold Sedge
11. Korean Feather Reed Grass
12. Adagio Maidengrass
13. The Blue Little Bluestem
14. Shenandoah Switchgrass
15. Prairie Dropseed
16. Blue Heaven Bluestem
17. Dallas Blues Switchgrass
18. Prairie Sky Switchgrass
19. Heavy Metal Switchgrass
20. Blue Indian Grass (*Sorghastrum nutans* 'Indian Steel')
21. Northwind Switchgrass
22. Melica sp.
23. Prairie June Grass (*Koeleria macrantha*)

UNION PLAZA Pollinator Favorites by Season

EARLY



Pasque Flower

Height: 0.75 to 1.00 feet
Spread: 0.75 to 1.00 feet
Bloom Time: April to May
Bloom Description: Pale or dark violet, rarely white
Sun: Full sun to part shade
Early species including some bees.



Golden Alexanders

Height: 1.50 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 1.50 to 2.00 feet
Bloom Time: May to June
Bloom Description: Yellow
Sun: Full sun to part shade
Host plant for swallowtail butterflies.

MID



Yellow Coneflower

Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 1.00 to 1.50 feet
Bloom Time: June to August
Bloom Description: Yellow
Sun: Full sun
Attractive to bees, butterflies and other pollinators.



Purple Prairie Clover

Height: 1.00 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 1.00 to 1.50 feet
Bloom Time: June to August
Bloom Description: Rose/Purple
Sun: Full sun
Host to dogface butterfly and provides nectar to many bees and butterflies.



Pale Purple Coneflower

Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 1.00 to 1.50 feet
Bloom Time: June to July
Bloom Description: Pale purple
Sun: Full sun to part shade
Butterflies, humming birds and even goldfinches with their seedheads.



Common Milkweed

Height: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 0.75 to 1.00 feet
Bloom Time: June to August
Bloom Description: Pink, mauve, white
Sun: Full sun
Host for monarchs and includes visits from native bees, honey bees, butterflies, beetles, flies and hummingbirds.



Swamp Milkweed

Height: 4.00 to 5.00 feet
Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Bloom Time: July to August
Bloom Description: White, pink, mauve
Sun: Full sun
Host for monarchs and includes visits from native bees, honey bees, butterflies, beetles, flies and hummingbirds.

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Millineum Allium

Height: 1.00 to 1.50 feet
Spread: 1.00 to 1.50 feet
Bloom Time: July to August
Bloom Description: Rose-purple
Sun: Full sun to part shade
A favorite of bees both native and honey as well as painted ladies.



Rattlesnake Master

Height: 4.00 to 5.00 feet
Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Bloom Time: June to September
Bloom Description: Greenish-white
Sun: Full sun
Diverse insects including the rattlesnake master borer moth.



Buttonbush

Height: 5.00 to 12.00 feet
Spread: 4.00 to 8.00 feet
Bloom Time: June
Bloom Description: White
Sun: Full sun to part shade
Diverse insects - all bees, butterflies, skippers and moths.

MID-LATE



Ironweed

Height: 4.00 to 6.00 feet
Spread: 3.00 to 4.00 feet
Bloom Time: August to September
Bloom Description: Purple
Sun: Full sun
Attracts late summer butterflies and bees including carpenter bees and bumble bees



Joe Pye Weed

Height: 5.00 to 7.00 feet
Spread: 2.00 to 4.00 feet
Bloom Time: July to September
Bloom Description: Mauve pink
Sun: Full sun to part shade
Attracts diverse insects from wasps, bees to swallowtail butterflies.



Pitchers Sage

Height: 2.00 to 4.00 feet
Spread: 2.00 to 3.00 feet
Bloom Time: July to October
Bloom Description: Blue
Sun: Full sun
Attracts diverse bee population and sphinx moths among others



Aromatic Aster

Height: 1.00 to 3.00 feet
Spread: 1.00 to 3.00 feet
Bloom Time: August to September
Bloom Description: Blue, purple
Sun: Full sun
Attracts long tongued bees, short tonged bees, skippers, butterflies and many moths.

Union Plaza Map



Union Plaza (21s & 22nd & O to R)

Union Plaza is a first of its kind six acre urban park that is located north of “O” Street between 21st and 22nd Streets in the heart of central Lincoln. As part of a roadway and stormwater improvement project of Antelope Valley, this public and privately funded park has blossomed into one of the area’s largest collections of native plants. Opened in 2012 and entering its fourth growing season, Union Plaza offers more than (30) species of shrubs, (25) varieties of grasses and (80) different native perennials and forbs. The most recent addition to the park is a 20,000 square foot pollinator garden with an emphasis on milkweed and monarch habitat. Planting combinations include both naturalistic mixes of species typically found in the region as well as stylized prairie combinations. The plant collections offer home owners friendly combinations – showing how native plants may be introduced into the more traditional landscape.

