

Focus These Native Plants to Support Pollinators

Keystone Genera for Hamilton County, TN

5% of the available native plant genera (keystone genera) support 73% of the available caterpillar species. Woody plants are most effective. Oak trees support over 400 species of Lepidoptera.



Woody plants

Oaks (Quercus)

Native Cherries/Plums (Prunus)

Hickories (Carya)

Maples (Acer)

Birches (Betula)

Willows (Salix)

Blueberries (Vaccinium)

Crabapple (Malus)

Elms (Ulmus)

Pine (Pinus)

Herbaceous Plants

Goldenrods (Solidago)

Joe-Pye, Boneset (Eupatorium)

Wild Strawberries (Fragaria)

Sunflowers (Helianthus)

Violet (Viola)

False Indigo (Amorpha)

Ironweed (Vernonia)

Evening Primrose (Oenothera)

