

Pollinator Friendly Habitat Certification

A non-refundable processing fee of \$10.00 is required to review and process your application. Information on how to submit the fee is included on the online application. All required plants should be established on the property for at least one year before applying.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- 1. You will need your name, address, county, email and phone number
- 2. Is your pollinator friendly habitat address different from the address above?

If yes, what is the address of the habitat?

- 3. In what type of area is your property located in? Urban Suburban Rural
- 4. Choose the option that best describes the property where your pollinator habitat is located:

Home Government Building or Park
Apartment/Condo Nature Center/Arboretum
Farm Museum/Conservatory

Business Master Gardener Demo Garden

School Other, please describe

5. How large is your property?

Less than 1/4 acre 1/2 to 1 acre 5-10 acres

HABITAT REQUIREMENTS - STEP 1 - PROVIDE FOOD - Nectar and Pollen Sources

1. Pollinators require a diversity of nectar and pollen sources to sustain. Does your property include the following certification requirements?

Native plants that provide pollen and nectar sources from early spring to late fall No Unsure Yes A variety of flower shapes and sizes Yes No Unsure Clustered perennials, with a minimum of 5 of each kind planted close together Yes No Unsure Avoid cultivars with flowers very different from the straight species Unsure Yes No

2. For your property to be certified, it must contain at least 4 different species of native, pollinator-friendly trees and shrubs. This can be any combination. Straight species are preferred. Pollinator friendly cultivars will be considered. From the options below, please select the statement below that best describes your property.

Has a mix of native, pollinator-friendly trees and shrubs

Has only native, pollinator-friendly trees

Has only native, pollinator-friendly shrubs

Does not meet this requirement



3. POLLINATOR FRIENDLY NATIVE TREES

From the list below, select the pollinator-friendly, native trees that you have on your property. "H" beside a plant indicates it is also a host plant for butterfly larvae. **All plants should be established on your property for at least 1 year**.

Please also list the number of each kind of tree on your property

Botanical name	Common name	# of each	Botanical name	Common name	# of each
Aesculus pavia	Red buckeye		Ostrya virginica	American hophornbeam (H)	
Acer rubrum	Red maple (H)		Oxydendrum arboreum	Sourwood	
Acer saccharum	Sugar maple		Prunus serotina; Prunus virginiana	Black Cherry ; Chokecherry (H)	
Amelanchier spp	Serviceberry (H)		Quercus spp.	Pin oak, White oak, Red oak (H)	
Betula nigra	River birch (H)		Salix nigra	Black willow (H)	
Cercis canadensis	Redbud (H)		Sassafras albidum	Sassafras ()	
Celtis occidentalilis	Hackberry (H)		Tilia americana	Basswood (H)	
Cornus florida	Flowering dogwood (H)		Other pollinator-friendly	native trees—please specify:	
Liriodendron tulipfera	Tulip poplar (H)				

4. POLLINATOR FRIENDLY NATIVE SHRUBS From the list below, select the pollinator-friendly, native shrubs that you have on your property. "H" beside a plant indicates it is also a host plant for butterfly larvae

Botanical name	Common name	# of each	Botanical name	Common name	# of each	
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Bearberry		Lindera benzoin	Spicebush (H)		
Calycanthus floridus	Sweet shrub		Rhus spp	Sumac (H)		
Ceanothus americana	New Jersey tea		Rosa caroliniana	Carolina rose (H)		
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Buttonbush		Rosa palustris	Swamp roser (H)		
Clethra alnifolia	Summersweet		Rosa virginiana	Virginia rose (H)		
Cornus alternifolia	Pagoda dogwood		Salix discolor	Pussy willow (H)		
Cornus amomum, Cornus racemosa	Silky dogwood, Gray dogwood		Symphoricarpos alba, S. occidentalis	Snowberry Coralberry		
Cornus sericea	Red twig dogwood		Vaccinium spp.	Blueberry		
Hypericum prolificum	Shrubby St. Johnswort		Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood viburnum		
Ilex glabra	Inkberry holly		Viburnum nudum	Possumhaw viburnum		
llex verticillata	Winterberry holly		Viburnum prunifolium	Blackhaw viburnum		
Itea virginica	Virginia sweetspire		Other pollinator-friendly	y native shrubs—please spe	cify:	
Kalmia latifolia	Mountain laurel					



5. POLLINATOR FRIENDLY NATIVE PERENNIAL FLOWERS—Pollinators need food from March to late October

For your property to be certified, it must contain at least 3 different species of native, pollinator-friendly perennial flowers for each bloom season. Each species must be planted in groupings of 5 or more. (Some plants, such as *Baptisia*, are quite large with many blossoms and you may only need 1. We take size into consideration when reviewing your application.) Straight species are preferred, pollinator friendly cultivars will be considered. All plants must be established on your property for at least 1 year. From the statements below, please check all that describe your property.

My property:

Has native, pollinator-friendly perennials for early season bloom (March - May)

Has native, pollinator-friendly perennials for mid bloom season (June - August)

Has native, pollinator-friendly perennials for late bloom season (September - October)

6. From the list below, select the pollinator-friendly, native, early-season-bloom (March - May) perennials that are on your property. Straight species are preferred, pollinator friendly cultivars will be considered. To be sure that the plant you have corresponds to the botanical name, please click the following link to see the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center database for pictures and more information about these plants. *"H" beside a plant indicates it is also a host plant for butterfly larvae Note: You must have at least 3 different species of native pollinator plants for early season. Each species must be planted in groupings of 5 plants or more for a total of 15 plants minimum.

Botanical name	Common name	# of each	Botanical name	Common name	# of each
Amsonia tabernaemontana	Bluestar		Packera aurea	Golden ragwort (H)	
Aquilegia canadensis (Please provide picture)	Wild columbine (H)		Phlox divaricata	Wild blue phlox	
Baptisia australis (only 1 required)	False blue indigo (H)		Phlox stolonifera	Creeping phlox	
Claytonia virginica	Spring beauty		Phlox subulata	Moss phlox	
Dicentra cucullaria	Dutchman's breeches		Polemonium reptans	Spreading Jacob's ladder	
Erythronium americanum	Trout lily		Sanguinaria canadensis	Bloodroot	
Geranium maculatum (Please provide picture)	Wild geranium (H)		Tiarella cordifolia	Foamflower	
Jeffersonia diphylla	Twinleaf		Zizia aurea	Golden Alexanders (H)	
Mertensia virginica	Virginia blue bells				

Other pollinator friendly native early season perennials -please specify and note quantity of each:



POLLINATOR FRIENDLY NATIVE PERENNIAL FLOWERS—Continued

7. From the list below, select the pollinator-friendly, native, mid season-bloom (June-August) perennials that are on your property. Straight species are preferred, pollinator friendly cultivars will be considered. To be sure that the plant you have corresponds to the botanical name, please click the following link to see the <u>Ladybird Johnson Wildflower</u> <u>Center database</u> for pictures and more information about these plants. *"H" beside a plant indicates it is also a host plant for butterfly larvae. Note: You must have at least 3 different species of native mid-season pollinator friendly perennials. <u>Each species must be planted in groupings of 5 or more for a total of 15 plants minimum.</u>

Botanical name	Common name	# of each	Botanical name	Common name	# of each
Agastache foeniculum	Anise hyssop		Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal flower	
Allium cernuum	Nodding onion		Lobelia siphilitica	Great blue lobelia	
Asclepias incarnata	Swamp milkweed (H)		Monarda didyma	Scarlet bee balm	
Asclepias syriaca	Common milkweed (H)		Monarda fistulosa	Wild bergamot	
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly milkweed (H)		Oenothera fruticosa	Narrowleaf evening primrose	
Coreopsis rosea	Pink tickseed		Penstomon digitalis	Smooth white beardtongue	
Coreopsis verticillata	Threadleaf tickseed		Penstemon calycosus	Calico penstemon	
Echinacea purpurea	Purple coneflower		Physostegia virginiana	Obedient plant	
Eutrochium spp.	Joe Pye		Pycnanthemum spp	Mountain mint	
Eupatorium perfoliatum	Boneset (H)		Scutellaria incana	Downy skullcap	
Helenium autumnale	Helen's flower		Tradescantia ohioensis	Ohio spiderwort	
Helianthus spp (perennial, not annual)	Perennial sunflowers (H)		Vernonia glauca	Upland ironweed	
Heliopsis helianthoides	False sunflower		Vernonia novaboracensis	New York ironweed	
Liatris spicata	Blazing star		Veronicastrum virginicum	Culver's root	

Other Pollinator-friendly mid season native perennials—Please specify and note quantity of each:



POLLINATOR FRIENDLY NATIVE PERENNIAL FLOWERS—Continued

8. From the list below, select the pollinator-friendly, native, late-season-bloom (September-late October) perennials that are on your property. Straight species are preferred, pollinator friendly cultivars will be considered. To be sure that the plant you have corresponds to the botanical name, please click the following link to see the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center database for pictures and more information about these plants. *"H" beside a plant indicates it is also a host plant for butterfly larvae. Note: You must have at least 3 different species of late season native pollinator plants. Each species must be planted in groupings of 5 for a total of 15 plants minimum.

Botanical name	Common name	# of each	Botanical name	Common name	# of each
Chelone glabra	White turtlehead (H)		Solidago rigida	Stiff goldenrod	
Chelone lyonii	Pink turtlehead		Solidago rugosa 'Fireworks'	Rough leaf goldenrod	
Conoclinium coelestinum	Blue mistflower		Solidago speciosa	Showy goldenrod	
Eupatorium hyssopifolium	Thoroughwort		Solidago sphacelata	Autumn goldenrod	
Eurybia divaricata	White wood aster		Symphyotrichum cordifolium	Blue wood aster (H)	
Solidago caesia	Wreath goldenrod		Symphyotrichum laeve	Smooth aster (H)	
Solidago flexicaulis	Zig zag goldenrod		Symphyotrichum novae-angliae	New England aster (H)	
Solidago juncea	Early goldenrod		Symphyotrichum novi-belgii	New York aster (H)	
Solidago nemoralis	Gray goldenrod		Symphyotrichum oblongifolium	Aromatic aster (H)	
Solidago odora	Anisescented goldenrod				

Other pollinator-friendly native late season perennials—Please specify and note quantity of each:

9. HOST PLANTS

For your property to be certified, <u>it must contain at least 3 host plants that serve as caterpillar food sources</u>. <u>Plants must be native perennials - trees, shrubs or perennial flowers.</u>

In the blanks below, please list the plants you noted in this application that serve as caterpillar food sources along with the butterfly larvae (caterpillars) that each listed plant supports. For more information on host plants, click here.

	Plant Name	Butterfly Larva Name
Food Source 1		
Food Source 2		
Food Source 3		





10. WATER SOURCE For your property to be certified, it must contain at least 1 water source for pollinators.

From the options below, please check all that describe your property. Shallow sources are best.

Birdbath or shallow water source Stream
Water garden/pond Spring

Butterfly puddling area Other water source on my property– please specify

I don't have a water source on my property. Please

explain

11. NESTING SITES For your property to be certified it must contain at least 2 places for pollinators to nest.

Spaces of bare ground Dead wood

Rock pile or wall Man-made bee boxes

Other nesting and/or overwintering I do not have nesting sites on my property

sites: please specify

OVERWINTERING For your property to be certified you must <u>leave garden cleanup till spring.</u>

Many pollinators overwinter in plant stems or under leaves in garden beds, so it is important to leave garden cleanup until spring. This means leaving perennial stems stand for the winter and raking leaves off lawn into beds under trees and shrubs to provide cover for insects and "soft landings" for butterfly larvae.

Lleave	garden	cleanup	until	spring	*	Required

12. SAFEGUARDING POLLINATOR HABITAT - MANAGING INVASIVE PLANTS

For your property to be certified, you must manage invasive plants. From the options below, please select all the options that describe how you manage invasive plants on your property. For more information about plants that are invasive to Pennsylvania,

I do not have invasive ornamental plants on my property

I have removed or am removing invasive plants that are currently on my property.

I will avoid acquiring invasive ornamental plants

Please indicate which invasive plants you are removing or controlling: Select all that apply.

Autumn Olive Japanese honeysuckle Paulownia (Princess tree)

Bishop's weed (goutweed) Japanese knotweed Periwinkle (vinca

Burning bush Japanese spirea Privet

Bush honeysuckleJapanese stiltgrassPurple loosestrifeButterfly bushLesser celandineTree of heavenCallery pear (Bradford)Multiflora roseYellow flag iris

English ivy Norway maple Other—please specify:

Japanese barberry Oriental bittersweet

___I am not currently removing any invasive plants on my property

Master Gardener



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13. PESTICIDES

For your property to be certified, you must use limited-to-no use of pesticides on your property. From the options below, please select the one that best describes the level of pesticide use on your property.

I don't use pesticides.

I occasionally use pesticides

If you use pesticides, review the following items and check all that describe your pesticide use on your property. Note: **All must be checked for certification**

Clearly identify the pest before taking action

Use less toxic pesticides such as horticultural oil and insecticidal soap

Always follow label directions

Never spray plants in bloom

Spray late in the evening when bees are less active

Target spray only the problem spots

Avoid systemic pesticides

14. PHOTOS—REQUIRED

Pictures are important! Please share at least 5 pictures of your property. More are welcome. Include an overview of your landscape. We especially want to see the gardens that contain the plants listed in this application. **Important—Please label the required plants in your pictures.** We are most interested in the layout of your gardens and don't need to see closeups of pollinators.

PHOTO RELEASE: By submitting photos with this application, I confirm I am the photographer. I also agree to grant the Pennsylvania State University the right to use the photo in print and online publications with no restrictions and without compensation. I understand that my photo or photos may never be featured but, if it is, the credit for the photo will be given to me.

Pay By Check or Credit Card: A non-refundable processing fee of \$10.00 is required to review and process your application. After your application has been reviewed we will register your habitat and send you the official certificate. You then become eligible to receive the Penn State Pollinator Friendly Habitat sign to display in your garden for \$30.00.

Instructions for submitting the \$10.00 fee will be in the online application.

The Completed Process: Certification will be at the discretion of the committee based on the completeness and clarity of the information submitted . You may be contacted by the Review Committee for additional information.

Thank you for helping Pollinators in Pennsylvania!

MAP OF CERTIFIED PROPERTIES

Certified properties will be placed on the map on the website, using coordinates, but no names or addresses. On the application you will be asked if you want to opt out of this option if certified.