

Augmenting Bird Feeders with Native Plants

<u>PLANT</u>	<u>SEASON</u>	<u>FRUIT</u>	<u>NECTAR</u>	<u>SEEDS</u>
<u>TREES</u>				
Cherry Laurel	Spr - Sum	√		
Common persimmons	Fall	√		
Cross Timber Trees (for buds, insects, larvae)	Spr - Fall			
Eastern red cedar (female)	Sum - Fall	√		
Mexican Plum	Sum	√		
Roughleaf Dogwood	Spr	√		
<u>SHRUBS</u>				
American Beauty Berry (perennial)	Sum - Fall	√		
Button Bush	Spr - Sum			√
Coralberry (perennial)	Fall	√		
Cotoneaster	Spr - Fall	√		√
Mahonia (Leatherleaf) (perennial)	Sum - Fall	√		
Mock Orange	Spr		√	
Nellie R. Stephens holly (perennial)	Spr - Sum	√		
Oakleaf hydrangia (perennial)	Fall			√
Pittysporum (for bird protection)	Spr - Win			
Rose of Sharon (hardy hibiscus) (perennial)	Sum		√	
Salvia gregii (perennial)	Spr - Sum		√	
Tropical hibiscus (annual)	Sum		√	
Wax myrtle	Fall	√		
Yaupon holly (perennial)	Fall	√		
<u>VINES</u>				
Blackberry (with or without thorns)	Spr	√		
Coral honeysuckle	Spr		√	
Crossvine	Spr - Fall		√	
Cyprus vine	Sum - Fall		√	
Pyracanthus	Sum - Fall	√		
<u>PERENNIALS</u>				
Amaryllis	Spr		√	
Canna	Sum		√	
Flame acanthus	Sum - Fall		√	
Lantana	Sum - Fall		√	
Pokeberry	Fall	√		
Turk's Cap	Sum - Fall		√	
Verbena	Sum - Fall		√	

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<u>ANNUALS</u>				
Callibrachoa (trailing petunia)	Spr - Fall		√	
Chile Pequin (cayenne pepper, bird pepper, turkey pepper) (re-seeds)	Spr - Fall	√	√	
Esparanza	Spr - Fall		√	
Flame acanthus (re-seeds)	Spr - Sum		√	
Purple coneflower (re-seeds)	Fall			√
Sunflowers (re-seeds)	Sum			√
<u>GRASSES</u>				
Carex	Fall			√
Mexican Feather	Fall			√
Additional Information				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Don't trim spent flowers (deadhead) until January. Leave for birds. * Audubon website - audubon.org/native-plants * Wildlife habitat - keep natural (not "manicured") * Shrubs - understory - important for shelter for birds * Have water source available for birds. * Bugs (invertebrates) are important to birds (protein source). * Spiders: important for insect control. (The more spiders you have, the healthier your gardens.) 				