

FAIRCHILD TROPICAL BOTANIC GARDEN

Native Plants for your School Garden

Scientific Name	Common Name	Notes
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly weed	Orange flowers that attract butterflies and hummingbirds. 18-36 inches. Part to full sun.
<i>Coreopsis leavenworthii</i>	Tickseed	Florida state wildflower. Yellow daisy-like flower, 18-36 inches. Self-seeding annual. Grow in full sun.
<i>Flaveria linearis</i>	Yellowtop	Clusters of small yellow flowers, 24-48 inches tall. Perennial. Part to full sun.
<i>Galliardia pulchella</i>	Indian Blanket	Red flowers with yellow-tipped petals, 12-24 inches tall. Annual or short-lived perennial, reseeds easily. Grow in full sun.
<i>Callicarpa americana</i>	Beautyberry	Shrub 4-8 ft, insignificant flowers but very showy clusters of purple fruit. Part to full sun. Good food source for birds.
<i>Hamelia patens</i>	Firebush	Small to medium shrub, orange tubular flowers, blooms throughout year. Part sun. Attracts butterflies.
<i>Lantana involucrata</i>	Wild Sage	Small woody shrub, small white flowers, 24-48 inches. Full sun. Attracts butterflies.
<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>	Wild Coffee	Small to medium shrub, dark green glossy leaves, showy red berries. Part to full shade.
<i>Senna mexicana</i> var. <i>chapmanii</i>	Bahama senna	Small shrub with bipinnate leaves and clusters of showy orange-red flowers. Part to full sun.
<i>Stachytarpheta jamaicensis</i>	Blue Porterweed	Small shrub, bluish-purple flower spikes, 12-36 inches. Perennial. Part to full sun. Attracts butterflies.
<i>Tetrazygia bicolor</i>	West Indian Lilac	Med-lg shrub, showy white flowers, purple-black berries; part to full sun.
<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>	Corky-stemmed passionflower	Slender vine, dark green lobed leaves, small white-green flowers, dark blue-purple fruits; attracts butterflies
<i>Jacquemontia pentanthos</i>	Sky-blue Clustervine	Vine or groundcover; many showy small blue flowers; part to full sun
<i>Guaiacum sanctum</i>	Lignum vitae	Small slow-growing tree; showy blue flowers, yellow seed pods, and red seeds; full sun.
<i>Serenoa repens</i>	Saw Palmetto	Clumping fan palm, 3-8 ft; part to full sun.
<i>Thrinax radiata</i>	Florida thatch palm	Fan shaped leaves, 25 ft; showy clusters of white fruit; part to full sun.
<i>Zamia floridana</i>	Coontie	Only native cycad in Florida; 1-5 ft; part to full sun; sole food source for Atala butterfly.
<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i>	Muhly grass	Ornamental grass, 2-3 ft; feather-like, pink flower spikes; part to full sun.

Other Natives to Consider:

Acacia pinetorum
Byrsonima lucida
Coccothrinax argentata
Liatis spicata
Peperomia obtusifolia
Pityopsis graminifolia
Rudbeckia hirta

For More Information:

Association of Florida Native Nurseries –
www.afnn.org
 Florida Native Plant Society –
www.fnps.org
 Institute for Regional Conservation –
www.regionalconservation.org

Native Plants at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

Scientific Name	Common Name	Map Area (Plot #) at FTBG
<i>Bursera simaruba</i>	Gumbo Limbo	Overlook (21), Tropical Flower Garden (43), Sunken Garden (110), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (158, 164), Keys Coastal (197, 199)
<i>Guaiacum sanctum</i>	Lignum Vitae	Vine Pergola (34), Gallery (137), Corbin Bldg (138), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (158), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (166), Pine Rockland (170), Keys Coastal (195)
<i>Lysiloma latisiliquum</i>	Wild Tamarind	Cycad Vista (133), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (164), Keys Coastal (192, 199)
<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	Live Oak	Vine Pergola (2), Overlook (21), Arboretum (27), Overlook (53), Sunken Garden (112, 120), Palmetum (121), Rainforest (131, 132, 152), Cycad Circle/Vista (133), Butterfly Garden (144), Hammock (Lake) (147), Keys Coastal (199)
<i>Peperomia obtusifolia</i>	Florida Piperomia	Butterfly Garden (19B), Sunken Garden (112)
<i>Pinus elliotii</i>	Slash Pine	Gate House (3B), Pine Rockland
<i>Psychotria nervosa</i>	Wild Coffee	Gate House (3B), Arboretum (24, 25), Hammock (Lake) (64), Keys Coastal (199)
<i>Sabal palmetto</i>	Sabal or Cabbage Palm	Between Pandanus Lake and Mangrove Lake (61), Amphitheater (72), South Gate/Gallery (102), Palmetum (106, 109), Gallery (137), Butterfly Garden (144), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (163), Africa (183)
<i>Schaefferia frutescens</i>	Florida Boxwood	Hammock (Lake) (64), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (164)
<i>Serenoa repens</i>	Saw Palmetto	Hammock (Lake) (64, 68), Butterfly Garden (145), South Gate/Gallery (102), Palmetum (107)
<i>Zamia pumila</i>	Coontie	Butterfly Garden (19A), South Gate (102), Palmetum (107), Cycad Circle (124), Cycad Vista (133, 136), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (158), Seasonally Dry Forest/Jewels of the Caribbean (164, 166)

Native plants are dispersed throughout the garden but the **Pine Rockland, Keys Coastal Habitat,** and **Hammock** areas are three good places to find a concentration of natives. To identify a native plant, find the accession tag on the plant – it will tell you the native range.