

Hummingbird Garden Plants for the Pikes Peak Area

Common Name	Latin Name	Plant Type	Zone	Comments
Ohio buckeye	<i>Aesculus glabra</i>	Tree	4	All parts are poisonous; squirrels eat seeds; large creamy-white flowers
Texas Hummingbird Mint	<i>Agastache cana</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; deer/rabbit resistant
New Mexico Hummingbird Mint	<i>Agastache neomexicana</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; attracts butterflies; deer/rabbit resistant
Sunset Hyssop, Licorice Mint	<i>Agastache rupestris</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; deer/rabbit resistant
Century Plant	<i>Agave</i> sp.	Large Succulent	5+	Xeric; hardiness depends on species; native; deer/rabbit resistant
Hollyhocks	<i>Alcea</i> hyb.	Biennial	3	Choose pinks & purples
Columbine	<i>Aquilegia species</i>	Short-lived perennial	3 - 4	Some are xeric; deer/rabbit resistant
Butterfly Weed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Perennial	4	Attracts butterflies; native to eastern US; deer resistant
Aster 'Dream of Beauty'	<i>Aster oblongifolius</i>	Perennial	4	Prairie native
Butterfly Bush	<i>Buddleia alternifolia</i>	Shrub	5	Don't cut back in spring; attracts butterflies; deer resistant
Butterfly Bush	<i>Buddleja davidii</i>	Shrub	5	Attracts butterflies; deer resistant
Trumpet Vine	<i>Campsis radicans</i>	Vine	4 or 5	Requires sturdy trellis
Indian Paintbrush	<i>Castilleja integra</i>	Perennial	4	Difficult to grow, native, parasitic; deer/rabbit resistant
Montbretia	<i>Crocasmia</i> 'Lucifer'	Perennial corm	5	Plant corms deeply to avoid freezing
Delphinium	<i>Delphinium</i> spp.	Perennial	2	Needs regular garden watering
Bleeding Heart	<i>Dicentra spectabilis</i>	Perennial	2	Needs water, dies back late summer
Strawberry Foxglove	<i>Digitalis mertonensis</i>	Perennial	4	Deer resistant; regular watering & part shade
Claret Cup Cactus	<i>Echinocereus</i> sp.	Small cactus	5	Huge flowers

Fireweed	<i>Epilobium angustifolium</i>	Perennial	2	Needs moist soil; great at highest elevations
Texas Red Yucca	<i>Hesperaloe parviflora</i>	Perennial Succulent	5	Xeric; Texas native
Coral Bells	<i>Heuchera sanguinea</i>	Perennial	3	Deer resistant?
Impatiens	<i>Impatiens wallerana</i>	Annual	n/a	Shade; ample water
Scarlet Gilia	<i>Ipomopsis aggregate</i>	Perennial	3	Native wildflower
Red Hot Poker, Torch Lily	<i>Kniphofia</i> sp.	Perennial	4 - 5	Xeric, deer/rabbit resistant
Beautybush	<i>Kolkwitzia amabilis</i>	Shrub	4	Regular watering
Lantana	<i>Lantana camara</i>	Perennial treated as annual	8	Good in hanging baskets
Gayfeather	<i>Liatris</i> spp.	Perennial		Native
Lilies	<i>Lilium</i> spp.	Perennial		Red varieties
Cardinal Flower	<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Tender perennial	5 - 6	Annual unless lucky; requires wet soil
Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera sempervirens</i>	Vine or shrub	3	Vigorous grower
Catchfly, Maltese Cross	<i>Lychnis viscaria</i> or <i>chalcedonica</i>	Perennial	3	Needs regular watering
Wild Four O'clock	<i>Mirabilis multiflora</i>	Perennial	4	Extremely xeric; deer/rabbit resistant
Bee Balm, Monarda, Bergamont	<i>Monarda didyma</i>	Perennial	4	Deer resistant?; attracts butterflies
Wild Bergamont	<i>Monarda fustulosa</i>	Perennial	4	Attracts butterflies; xeric; plains native
Flowering Tobacco	<i>Nicotiana</i> hyb.	Annual	n/a	Needs regular watering; bedding plant
Evening Primrose	<i>Oenothera</i> sp.	Perennial	4	Some species are very xeric
Elfin Pink Penstemon	<i>Penstemon barbatus</i> 'Elfin Pink'	Perennial	4	Regular watering; rabbit resistant
Schooley's Coral Beardtongue	<i>Penstemon barbatus</i> 'Schooley's Coral'	Perennial	4	Xeric; rabbit resistant
Cardinal Penstemon	<i>Penstemon cardinalis</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; rabbit resistant; native; evergreen rosette of large green leaves
Firecracker Beardtongue	<i>Penstemon eatonii</i>	Perennial	4	Utah native; xeric; rabbit resistant
Red Rocks Penstemon	<i>Penstemon Mexicali</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric but prefers regular watering; rabbit resistant; 1999 Plant Select®

Pineleaf Penstemon	<i>Penstemon pinifolius</i>	Perennial	4	Xeric; rabbit resistant; native
Rocky Mountain Penstemon	<i>Penstemon strictus</i>	Perennial	4	Xeric; rabbit resistant; native—you may have this growing wild in your yard!
Blue Mist Beardtongue	<i>Penstemon virens</i>	Perennial	4	Xeric; rabbit resistant; native—you may have this growing wild in your yard!
Petunias	<i>Petunia</i> spp.	Annual	n/a	Good in hanging basket, bedding
Clove-Scented Currant	<i>Ribes odoratum</i>	Shrub	4	Also provides fruit; native; xeric
Sage	<i>Salvia</i> spp.	Perennial	5	Huge group of plant species
Desert Purple Sage	<i>Salvia dorrii</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; deer/rabbit resistant
Giant Purple Sage	<i>Salvia pachyphylla</i>	Large perennial	5	2005 Plant Select® winner; xeric; deer /rabbit resistant
Pitcher's Blue Sage	<i>Salvia pitcheri</i>	Perennial	4	Xeric; attracts butterflies
West Texas Grass Sage	<i>Salvia reptans</i>	Perennial	5	Xeric; attracts butterflies; deer /rabbit resistant; fine textured foliage resembles grass
Salvia (annual)	<i>Salvia</i> spp.	Annual	n/a	Lady in Red & other reds
Redbirds in a Tree	<i>Scrophularia macrantha</i>	Perennial vine	5	Xeric, rabbits resistant; Penstemon relative
Catch Fly, Campion	<i>Silene</i>	Perennial	4	Native prairie wildflower
Nasturtiums	<i>Tropaeolum majus</i>	Annual	n/a	Edible leaves & flowers
Prince Red Weigelia	<i>Weigela florida</i>	Large shrub	5	
Arizona Hummingbird Trumpet	<i>Zauschneria arizonica</i>	Perennial	5	Native; deer resistant; xeric
California Hummingbird Trumpet	<i>Zauschneria californica</i>	Perennial	5	Native; deer resistant; xeric
Garrett's Hummingbird Trumpet	<i>Zauschneria garrettii</i>	Perennial	5	Native; deer resistant; xeric