

# Joe Pye Weed in bloom

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# In the fall..

- Purple beauty berry (*Callicarpa dichotoma*)\*
- Amsonia or Arkansas blue star (*Amsonia hubrechtii*)



# To keep the birds happy

- Horry skullcap (*Scutellaria incana*)
- Joe Pye Weed
- Limelight hydrangea tree\*
- Tree peony\*
- Balloon flower\*





# Another photo of Swamp Rose Mallow

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# For medicinal uses....

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- St. John's wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)
- St. John's wort has been used in alternative medicine as a possibly effective aid in treating depression, hot flashes caused by menopause and topically, in healing skin wounds, or treating skin irritation.



## These are the good guys!

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- A praying mantis has a very big appetite, so it's fortunate that it is also an accomplished hunter. They help farmers and gardeners by eating moths, mosquitoes, roaches, flies and aphids, as well as small rodents in their fields and gardens.







# A rain barrel...

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- Rain barrels help to create healthy plants and soil. Tap water contains inorganic ions and fluoride compounds that accumulate in the soil over time and potentially harm plant roots and microorganisms in the soil.
- Rain barrels also help to reduce the flow of storm runoff.





## And lots of native plants.

- Coneflower or echinacea (*Echinacea* x 'Balsomsed')
- Black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia Goldsturm*)
- Cranesbill geranium (*Geranium* x 'Rozanne')
- Goldenrod (*Solidago rugosa*)
- Ninebark shrub (*Physocarpus opulifolius*)
- Catmint (*Nepeta* x *faassenii*)



Golden  
ragwort  
(*Packera  
aurea*)





# Eastern redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)





# From spring to fall...

- Spring witch hazel  
(*Hamamelis vernalis*)





The glory of gardening: hands in  
the dirt, head in the sun, heart  
with nature. To nurture a garden  
is to feed not just the body, but  
the soul.

Alfred Austin

