



Bloom Guide

Fall

Anemone “Honorine Jobert” and “Curtain Call Pink”

In the fall you will find the center parterres and the area by the flagpole packed with a mix of the pink blooms of “Curtain Call Pink” and white blooms of “Honorine Jobert.” Set atop tall, slender stems they bob gently along when rustled by wind, perhaps leading to their nickname, windflower.



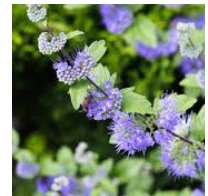
Euphorbia 'Diamond Frost'

With a profusion of tiny white flowers, it's easy to see where this evergreen perennial gets its name. The proudly upright stems boast a profusion of narrow green leaves. This hearty bloomer can flower from late spring through until the first frost, providing months of dainty beauty. You'll find them growing in the parterres down the middle of the Park.



Caryopteris clandonensis

For a plant known as Bluebeard, this low mound of blue blossoms isn't particularly scary. Instead it's another of the many plants in the Park that brings butterflies and bees around for a visit. The silvery green leaves are covered with feathery flowers in the late summer and you can spot them blooming throughout the Park.



Rudbeckia “Goldstrum” and “Denver Daisy”

This North American native is easy to spot. Its bright yellow daisy-like blooms are popular in gardens for their long late-summer bloom time and cheery appearance. Their simple yellow petals surround a dark center, giving a hint to their common name, black-eyed Susan. You can spot our Susan's in the beds around the Park, they peek out from behind benches and in the beds East of the Arch.



Summer

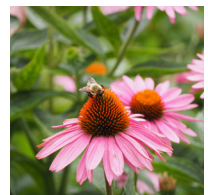
Ligularia 'Bottle Rocket'

This showoff is easy to spot thanks to yellow flower spikes that reach high towards the sky. The bright flowers contrast against dark brown stems, hence the plant's other nickname "leopard plant." Not to be outdone by the flowers, the plant's foliage is thick and dark green, with an interesting serrated edge. They can be found on the west side of the Park near Washington Place and in the SW corner near the chess tables.



Echinacea purpurea

One of the many pollinator-friendly varieties in the Park, the purplish-pink blooms of the coneflower can be found in bloom all over the Park, but especially by the Flagpole, in Garibaldi Plaza, and the beds by the Thompson Street Entrance. where their bright color, nectar and pollen attract bees and butterflies in abundance.

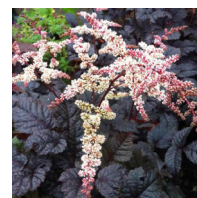




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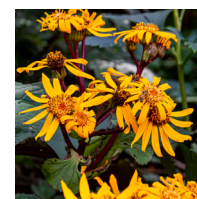
Astilbe “Chocolate Shogun”

Look for foliage a bit different from the expected green and you may have spotted the rich purple-brown leaves of false spirea, which is sometimes known by the more whimsical name of false goat’s beard. During the summer plume-like pink flowers shoot up above the contrasting dark leaves. They enjoy a shady spot, so you’ll find them in the pollinator gardens at the SE and SW corner entrances to the Park.



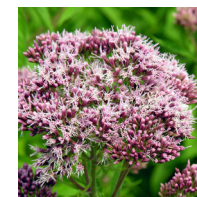
Coreopsis “Moonbeam”

Throughout the summer you can find these creamy yellow multi-petalled flowers with dark yellow centers blooming above wispy green foliage. Look for the low, compact plants in the beds near Chess Plaza. Don’t worry so much about the common name, tickseed. The flower doesn’t attract ticks but the seeds do resemble them a bit.



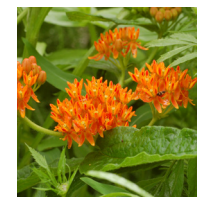
Eutrochium purpureum

Shooting up in the late summer, the tall, sturdy Joe Pye weed can be spotted in several places in the Park, including the beds near Chess Plaza and the pollinator garden in the NW Corner. The stalks can grow up to seven feet tall and are topped by dusky pink blooms. Legend has it that the plant earned its moniker in honor of a Native American healer.



Asclepias tuberosa

The name is kind of a giveaway as to why this native plant is so popular with beautiful winged creatures. Throughout the summer the bright orange blooms of butterfly weed attract the attention of monarch butterflies flitting through the Park as well as bees, who aren’t fussy about the preferential name. Visit Garibaldi Plaza and you can spot butterfly weed growing in the beds just behind the monument.



Agastache “Blue Fortune”

From late summer to fall spikes of lavender blue flowers shoot up from this compact plant. If you have a sensitive sniffer you might be able to detect a hint of the aroma of anise coming from the leaves of the hyssop plant. The flowers are popular with butterflies and if you enjoy the blooms you can spot them in numerous spots in the Park, including in beds by the stage in Garibaldi Plaza, the entrance at Thompson Street, and near Chess Plaza.



Liatris spicata

These spikes of bright purple blooms stand up straight, like guardians of the garden. Looking a bit like brushes, the flowers can grow several feet tall and bloom in the late summer and fall in planting beds near Chess Plaza, the dog runs, and Garibaldi Plaza. Their bright, bold character, visible in several planting beds throughout the Park, is one of the reasons the plant is known as the dense blazing star.

