Resource List for Native Pollinators and Plants

This list of books, publications and web sites is far from comprehensive. However, I am familiar with each resource listed; and where appropriate, I have included a description of important features. Some resources can fit under multiple categories.

- David Redhage

* marks resources that are particularly good for Oklahoma.

**Plant Identification Guides**

Handheld guide with brief written descriptions along with photos.

Available for purchase as a print on demand document.

Black and white drawings w/ state map of range and plant description.

Covers trees, shrubs and flowers and as the title indicates, their importance to wildlife.


Most plant descriptions indicate whether it is native or introduced, which I have found lacking in some other guides. It also indicates if a plant is more common in the eastern or western parts of Oklahoma - important to know for planting success.

A good guide to help identify potential problem plants.


While the title says Ozarks, this guide also covers the Ouachita Mountains of Oklahoma and Arkansas.


Old publication with color plates of plants. Indicates how the plants respond to grazing management. Very good resource for Oklahoma prairie plants.


Great photos with good descriptions. Be sure to visit the corresponding website listed below.


Good color guide which lists origin of each plant.


General Plant/Landscaping Guides


Propagation Guides


Some plants listed are more successful in the northern prairie regions and the northeast, but many work well in Oklahoma.


Pollinators

Very good resource for knowledge on native pollinators.


Seed Catalog/Nursery Sources

**Bustani Plant Farm** (Stillwater, OK)
http://www.bustaniplantfarm.com/store
Seasonal regional nursery open in the spring and fall. Plant pickup at nursery only.

**Forest Farm** (Williams, OR)
http://www.forestfarm.com/

**Grasslander** (Hennessey, OK)
http://www.grasslander.com/

**Johnston Seeds** (Enid, OK)
http://www.jeinc.com/seed

**Lorenz Seeds** (Okeene, OK)
http://www.lorenzsokseedsllc.com/

**Native American Seed** (Junction, TX)
http://www.seedsource.com
Good source of seed for the Southern Central Plains region of the United States

**Prairie Moon Nursery** (Winona, MN)
http://www.prairiemoon.com
Catalog is an excellent source of cultural information on growing and propagating various native prairie plants.

**Sunshine Nursery** (Clinton, OK)
http://www.sunshinenursery.com/Welcome.html

**Wild Things Nursery**
http://www.wildthingsnursery.com/
Oklahoma based. Website lists sales locations for the upcoming year. Good list of books, including many covering butterflies.

**Wildseed Farms** (Fredricksburg, TX)
www.wildseedfarms.com
Good catalog descriptions of species. Does carry seed for some non-native species (cosmos, corn poppy, chicory, etc.) which is indicated in the plant descriptions, so attention is necessary if only native plants are wanted.

Web Resources

*The Biota of North America Program* http://www.bonap.org/ (the home page) or http://bonap.net/NAPA/Genus/Traditional/County#ref

Bug Guide
Digital Museum of Natural History
very good poster on bees

Discover Life
www.discoverlife.org/

eXtension- Identification of Native Bees
www.extension.org/pages/26310/indentification-of-native-bees

Flora of Oklahoma Project
http://www.biosurvey.ou.edu/floraok/

Lady Bird Johnston Wildflower Center (Austin, TX)
http://www.wildflower.org/

*Noble Foundation (Ardmore, OK)
Great online plant photo resource. Names of plants of interest (common or scientific) need to be known in order to use the database. Several companion printed books are also available for purchase.

NRCS Technical Information
http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/plantmaterials/technical/publications/?cid=stelprdb1044847

Oklahoma Native Plant Society
http://oknativeplants.org/

Oklahoma Natural Heritage Inventory
http://www.oknaturalheritage.ou.edu/index.htm

US Wildflowers
The link is to the ‘wildflowers of Oklahoma’ section.

USDA Plants Fact sheets and Guides
http://plants.usda.gov/java/factSheet

*Xerces Society
http://www.xerces.org/