plan your *high functionality*

RAIN GARDEN

High functionality rain gardens can process high volumes of runoff and sediment

Rose Mallow *(Hibiscus lasiocarpos)*
White or pink flowers with red centers grow 4 to 5 in. across. Flowers open for many weeks in mid-summer. Large fuzzy leaves and a shrublike form give this plant substantial bulk in the landscape. Plants generally break dormancy late in spring so be patient.
Height: 46-60 Inches Spread: 36 Inches

Southern Blue Flag *(Iris virginica var. shrevei)*
This moisture-loving iris has fragrant, blue violet flowers with falls crested in yellow and white. Narrow, bright green leaves often lie on the ground or in water.
Height: 15-40 Inches Spread: 18-24 Inches

Meadow Phlox *(Phlox maculata)*
Pink flower heads on top of sturdy stems with thick, glossy leaves. Hairy stems. Meadow Phlox blooms earlier than Tall Phlox (*Phlox paniculata*), has darker green leaves and better mildew resistance. Flowers are fragrant and attract butterflies and hummingbirds.
Height: 24-36 Inches Spread: 24 Inches

New England Astor *(Aster novae-angliae)*
This tall aster produces hundreds of large purple or pinkish flowers with yellow centers in Sept. and Oct. The flowers are a favorite nectar source for migrating monarch butterflies.
Height: 30-60 Inches Spread: 24-36 Inches

Tickseed Coreopsis *(Coreopsis palmata)*
Features soft yellow, daisy-like flowers with flat yellow centers on top of stiff upright stems. Plants bloom from late spring to mid-summer. Spreads by rhizomes and self-seeding.
Height: 30-60 Inches Spread: 24-36 Inches

Sweet Cone Flower *(Rudbeckia triloba)*
Golden yellow flowers with dark brown dome-shaped centers in the middle of summer makes this plant a native superstar! Plants are long-lived and resilient. Flowers in late summer, between the seasons of many other flowers. Foliage is medium green.
Height: 4-6 Feet Spread: 2-3 Feet

Northern Sea Oats *(Chasmanthium latifolium)*
Upright clumps of bamboolike foliage. Green leaves turn copper in fall and brown in winter. Attractive flat flower spikes hand down from stems. Prefers light shade and damp soil. Can self-sow prolifically.
Height: 24-36 Inches Spread: 24-30 Inches

Soft Rush *(Juncus effusus)*
This species occurs in wet soils along stream edges, sloughs, ponds, etc. This common species is easy to identify because of its inflorescence, which seems to come from the side of the stem. The plants will naturalize forming large clumps when left undisturbed.
Height: 12-18 Inches Spread: 12-18 Inches

Little Bluestem *(Schizachyrium scoparium)*
A small, non-spreading, clump-forming grass with blue-green leaves that turn reddish orange in the fall. Fluffy silver seed heads are ornamental through winter.
Height: 12-18 Inches Spread:18-30 Inches

Tussock Sedge *(Carex stricta)*
Dense mounds of rich green, fine-bladed foliage. Tolerates a wide range of soil moisture and shade. Useful for water gardens.
Height: 12-18 Inches Spread:18-30 Inches

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