

Native Woodland Plants that Support Birds

Trees and Vines

Red cedar

(*Juniperus virginiana*)

- Evergreen, fragrant tree
- Varies in color from gray-green to blue-green
- Most widely distributed eastern conifer



Virginia creeper

(*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*)

- Woody, deciduous vine
- Leaves turn red and purple in early fall



Wildflowers

Cardinal flower

(*Lobelia cardinalis*)

- Produces bright red flowers
- Grows up to 6 ft tall



Great blue lobelia

(*Lobelia siphilitica*)

- Produces lavender flowers
- Blooms July-October
- Grows 2-3 ft tall



Jack-in-the-pulpit

(*Arisaema triphyllum*)

- Grows 1-3 ft tall
- Blooms from March-June



Shrubs

Spicebush

(*Lindera benzoin*)

- Deciduous shrub
- Glossy leaves
- Grows 6-12 ft tall



Wild hydrangea

(*Hydrangea arborescens*)

- Deciduous shrub
- Grows 12 ft tall



Chokecherry

(*Prunus virginiana*)

- Grows 20 ft tall
- Red cherries ripen from July-August



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With donations from the Indiana University Caving Club and a grant from the Sassafras Audubon Society, we installed owl and bat boxes in Dunn's and Latimer Woods this spring. Owls are predators that can help keep small herbivores, such as rabbits in check. Bats help to control mosquitos.

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Why Plant Native?

Native plants support insect populations that provide food sources to many bird species.



Some fruit producing trees are also critical resources for native birds.



Native trees and shrubs provide shelter to birds, butterflies, and other wildlife.

Resources

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