Native Plants

Prairie Willow

Botanical Name: *Salix humilis*

**Sun Exposure:** Full sun to partial shade  
**Blooms:** early spring  
**Soil Types/Tolerance:** Adaptable to a wide range of soil conditions.  
**Plant Habit:** Deciduous shrub growing 3-9’ tall and 4-8’ wide with white flowers (catkins) from March-May.  
**Other Notes:** Willows provide some of the greatest benefits to wildlife offered by any plant. Beneficial for pollinators, it acts as a host for many species of moths and butterflies and provides food and cover for birds and other wildlife.

American hazelnut

Botanical Name: *Corylus americana*

**Sun Exposure:** Full sun to partial shade  
**Blooms:** early spring  
**Soil Types/Tolerance:** Moist, well-drained soils.  
**Plant Habit:** Deciduous shrub or small tree grows to a height of 6-15’.  
**Other Notes:** Flowers provide an early spring food source for native pollinators and this plant is a host for the larvae of many moth and butterfly species which, in turn, are an important food source for countless bird species. Produces edible nuts in late summer that are highly attractive to a variety of wildlife.

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