

## Why do we need drought-tolerant gardens?

Weather patterns are shifting in Western Canada, and summers are getting hotter and dryer.

Less rain throughout the summer increases the risk of drought and the stress on your garden.

## How can native plants help?

Native plants are adapted to Alberta's extreme climates. They can withstand the hot summers AND the frigid winters.

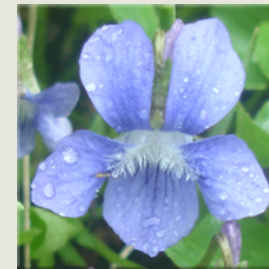
They also play an important role in supporting Alberta's unique ecosystems.

# Growing Drought-Tolerant Gardens With Native Plants

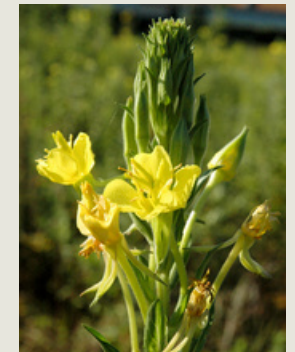
## Native plants to get you started



Pearly Everlasting  
*Anaphalis margaritacea*



Early Blue Violet  
*Viola adunca*



Evening Primrose  
*Oenothera biennis*



Hops  
*Humulus lupulus*



Little Bluestem  
*Schizachyrium scoparium*



Ground Juniper  
*Juniperus communis*

### Do

Choose plants that are pollinator-friendly

Choose plants that bloom throughout the entire growing season

### Don't

Choose plants that could potentially overrun your garden

Plant native plants without verifying their scientific names

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