

Suggested reading – Prairies, habitat improvement, native plants		
Title	Author	Summary
Restoring the Tallgrass Prairie	Shirley Shirley	Planning, planting and maintaining prairie
The Prairie in Seed	Dave Williams	Identifying prairie plants at the seed stage
Trees and Shrubs of Minnesota	Welby R. Smith	Comprehensive guide to native trees and shrubs in MN
Minnesota Gardener's Guide	Melinda Myers	General gardening guide including native plants
Landscaping with Native Plants in Minnesota	Lynn M. Steiner	General landscaping guide with all native plants
My Healthy Woods	Steve Swenson- Aldo Leopold Foundation	Handbook for woodland owners
Field Guide to the Native Plant Communities of Minnesota - The Prairie Parkland and Tallgrass Aspen Parklands Provinces	MN DNR	Field guide

A Practical Guide to Prairie Reconstruction	Carl Kurtz	Step-by-step guide to create or restore prairie grasslands
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THE POLLINATOR VICTORY GARDEN	Kim Eirman	Planting gardens for pollinators
BEES - AN IDENTIFICATION AND NATIVE PLANT FORAGE GUIDE	Heather Holm	Identification and plantings to support bees
POLLINATORS OF NATIVE PLANTS	Heather Holm	Native insect pollinators and their plants
NATURE'S BEST HOPE	Douglas W. Tallamy	Creating native biodiversity in your yard
BRINGING NATURE HOME	Douglas W. Tallamy	Sustaining wildlife with native plants
A NEW GARDEN ETHIC	Benjamin Vogt	Broaden your goals when designing a garden
GARDEN REVOLUTION	Larry Weaner Thomas Christopher	Garden design with nature in mind
The Tallgrass Prairie Center Guide to Prairie Restoration in the Upper Midwest	D. Smith, D. Williams, G. House also, K. Henderson	A how-to guide to restoring or recreating a prairie
Birdscaping in the Midwest, A Guide to Gardening with Native Plants to Attract Birds	Mariette Nowak	Creating bird-friendly habitat
Nature at Our Doorstep	Matt Schuth	Broad observations of seasonal changes in plant and animal communities

Minnesota's Natural Heritage	John R. Tester, Susan M. Galatowitsch, Rebecca A. Montgomery and John J. Moriarity	Reference text about Minnesota's ecology and natural resources
Begin with a Bee	Liza Ketchum, Jacqueline Briggs Martin and Phyllis Root	Children's book about the life of the rusty-patched bumblebee
Forest Stand Improvement: Implementation for Wildlife in Hardwood Stands of the Eastern US	Dr. Craig Harper	Reference handbook regarding managing woodlands
Common Backyard Weeds of the Upper Midwest	Teresa Marrone	Field guide to common weeds
Prairie Plants of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Arboretum	Theodore S. Cochrane, Kandis Elliot, Claudia S. Lipke	A colorful handbook of Midwestern prairie plant species
The Farm as Natural Habitat	Dana L. Jackson, Laura L. Jackson	Reconnecting food systems with ecosystems
Managing Pasture	Dale Strickler	Includes sections on the value of native plants
Prairies of Minnesota Landowner Handbook	MN DNR	Handbook for managing prairie parcels in Minnesota
Braiding Sweetgrass	Robin Wall Kimmerer	Professor of Botany examines Indigenous wisdom, Scientific knowledge, and the teaching of Plants