

CARDINAL FLOWER

Lobelia cardinalis

This plant is absolutely stunning with large, cardinal-red tubular flowers that are magnets for hummingbirds and butterflies. Super effective in moist and shady areas, providing a pop of brilliant color.

Benefits for Wildlife

• Hummingbird and butterfly magnet! Attracts many beneficial insects

• Depends on pollination by Ruby-throated Hummingbirds

Host to 6 caterpillar species

(common names) Pink-Washed Looper Moth; Plevie's Aquatic Moth; Greater Black-Letter Dart; Spotted Cut-Worm; Red-Banded Leafroller Moth; Dark-Spotted Palthis

Benefits for People

- Adds a late summer bloom and height to gardens
- Forms colonizing clumps
- Deer resistant

Growing Information

Sunlight	Full s	Full sun to partial shade	
Soil Type	Medium to wet soils; needs		
	constant moisture		
Height	2–4'		
Width	I-2'		
Flowering calendar		July to September	

Natural Habitat

• Streams, swamps, and in low wooded areas

