



WILD GERANIUM

Geranium maculatum

Also known as Spotted Crane's-bill. One of the best spring-blooming natives, this low-maintenance beauty produces pink to lilac 5-petaled flowers that give way to distinctive seed capsules.

Benefits for Wildlife

- Attracts a wide variety of insects that feed on the nectar and pollen, including bumblebees, mason bees, flies, butterflies, and skippers
- Chipmunks sometimes eat the seeds

Host to 26 caterpillar species, including:
(*common names*) Whitemarked Tussock Moth;
Glassy Borer; Double-Banded Carpet;
Bilobed Looper Moth; Celery Leaf-tier;
Bridled Arches; Cabbage Looper Moth;
Soybean Looper Moth; American Bordered
Sallow; Tobacco Budworm Moth

Benefits for People

- The seed capsules resemble crane's bills
- This plant will naturalize in optimum growing conditions

Growing Information

<i>Sunlight</i>	Full sun to shade
<i>Soil Type</i>	Moist, tolerates poor
<i>Height</i>	1-2'
<i>Width</i>	1-2'
<i>Flowering calendar</i>	May to July

Natural Habitat

- Woodlands

