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# PLANTAIN-LEAVED PUSSYTOES

*Antennaria plantaginifolia*

Named for its cat paw-like flower heads, this low-growing perennial makes an excellent ground cover in the right conditions. Leaves are woolly and silvery-green and the flowers range from white (male) to light pink (female).

## Growing Information

**Sunlight** Full sun, part shade (dappled)  
**Soil Type** Gritty, rocky, dry, or well-drained. Can be difficult to grow unless dry soil conditions are met.  
**Height** 6"-1'  
**Deer resistant**  
**Flowering calendar** April-June

## Benefits for People

### Natural Habitat

Dry open woodlands, rocky areas

## Benefits for Wildlife

**Leaves** Yes  
**Flowers** Yes  
**Fruit**  
**Seeds**  
**Host to 5 caterpillar species**  
(common names): American Painted Lady;  
Oval Telethusia; Pussy's Toes Pyrausta;  
White-spotted Midget; Agonopterix  
Nebulosa

