



Wild Strawberry

Fragaria virginiana

Growing Information

- Plant Type: Perennial
- Sunlight: Sun, part shade
- Soils: Dry, Average
- Bloom Time: White flowers in April, May, June
- Size: 2-5 inches in height; 12-24 inch spread

A fast-spreading ground cover which suppresses the establishment of invasive species, Wild Strawberry tolerates foot traffic. Tasty edible fruit appear in early to mid-summer. This species is one of the parent plants to cultivated strawberries.

Garden Companions

Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*), Wild Ginger (*Asarum canadense*), Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*), Solomon's Seal (*Polygonatum biflorum*), Sessile-leaved Bellwort (*Uvularia sessilifolia*), Ostrich Fern (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*), Maidenhair Fern (*Adiantum pedatum*)

Nature Benefits

- Supports 75 species of moths and butterflies.
- Provides food for caterpillars and nectar for adult insects.
- Flowers accessible to short-tongued bees.
- Fruits attract chipmunks, squirrels, and birds.

Natural Habitat

Occurs in meadows and fields.