

# MARSH MADNESS



Kankakee County  
Soil and Water  
Conservation District

Wet Pollinator Pocket: Plant in full to partial sun and soil that is soggy or marshy most of the year.



= Pollinator Hotspot

**Marsh Marigold**, *Caltha palustris*:



Height: 2'      Bloom: April-June

**Blue Flag Iris**, *Iris virginica shrevei*:

Height: 2-3'      Bloom: May-July

**Swamp Milkweed**, *Asclepias incarnata*:



Height: 3-5'      Bloom: July-August

**Cardinal Flower**, *Lobelia cardinalis*:



Height: 2-4'      Bloom: July-September



Marsh Marigold



Blue Flag Iris



Swamp Milkweed



Cardinal Flower

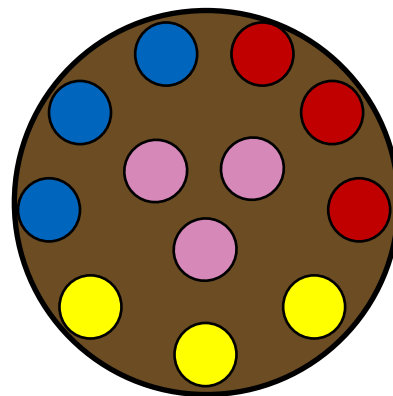
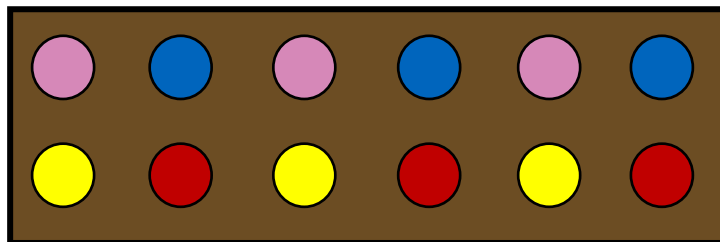
## PREPPING YOUR SITE

- Remove all sod and other unwanted plants from the area with herbicide, or by solarizing
- Add compost or nutrient-rich soil on top of the area, if desired
- You can cover the area in recycled newspaper as a weed barrier

## PLANTING & CARE

- Plant one plant per square foot
- Place thin layer of mulch around plants to help prevent weed growth
- Water plants in the morning every day until they are well established
- Weed by hand to benefit pollinators

## DESIGN INSPIRATION



- Blue Flag Iris
- Marsh Marigold
- Swamp Milkweed
- Cardinal Flower