

This bright wildflower can be found in irrigated meadows. It likes moist soils when blooming but can dry out after flowering.



Growing wild across much of western and northern U.S., many cultivated varieties of this heat- and drought-tolerant plant have been developed as ornamental plants for gardens.



First collected by the Lewis and Clark Expedition, this sky-blue wildflower was named for Meriwether Lewis. Adapted to a wide range of conditions, this plant is related to cultivated flax, which produces the fibers that make up linen cloth.

Consider these wonderful wildflowers for this summer! Can you guess which are which? Answers below.



Aptly named due to their fuzzy, bearded stamen. Blooming around May or June, they like to grow on sandy, dry soils along roads.



Adapted to a wide variety of soils, these showy wildflowers unfurl their blooms in the evening and then shrivel the next day. With a sweet fragrance, the blossoms are often visited by hawkmoths.



These low-creeping plants are fairly inconspicuous until they burst into a colorful mat of blooms. They belong to a family of plants that only occur in North America.