LAYOUT SUGGESTIONS FOR PLANTING

Our high-value kits of 38 plants boast 14 species. A kit will start a garden of approximately 75 square feet; this could be an area measuring 6 X 12 feet. With a smaller planting such as this (or even up to a couple hundred square feet) there are some basic design ideas to consider when placing plants within the garden.
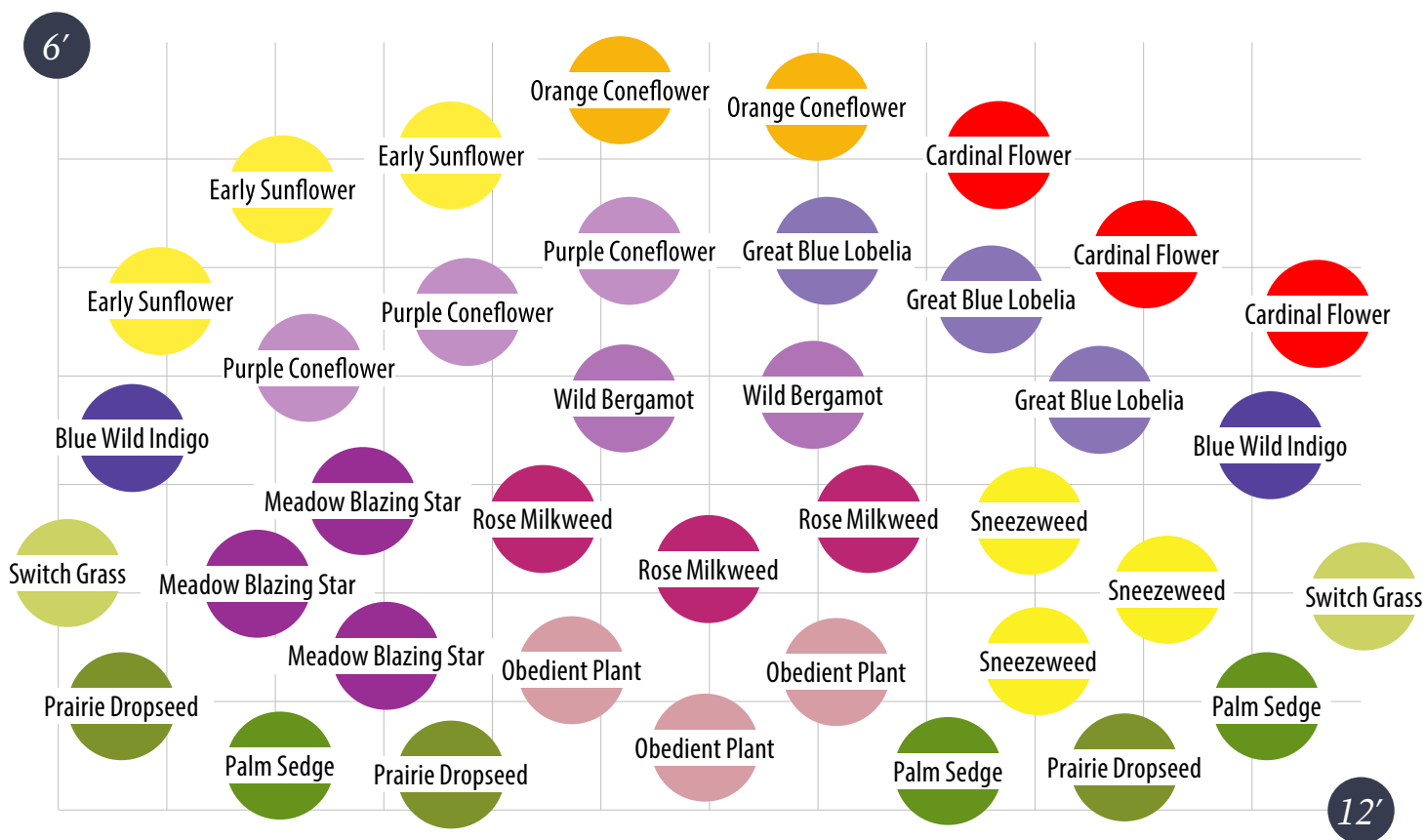
DISPERSED: By trying to evenly disperse each species of plant in the kit throughout the planting area, you will maximize the visual interplay between plants and take maximum advantage of the self-seeding and natural spreading capacity of each plant. It may be practical to place the taller plants toward the center or back so that they are better contained within the garden. For a true naturalized garden this may be the best way to start.

GROUPS AND DRIFTS: Sometimes people like to see a bit more immediate order to their planting. This could be achieved by grouping each species in its own sector of the garden or elongating these groups into loose lines or drifts of plants. Our kits can be augmented with a Mix & Match tray of four to six species to add larger groupings or drifts of favorite species.

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6′

Orange Coneflower
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Cardinal Flower
Early Sunflower
Early Sunflower
Cardinal Flower
Purple Coneflower
Great Blue Lobelia
Cardinal Flower
Great Blue Lobelia
Early Sunflower
Purple Coneflower
Purple Coneflower
Cardinal Flower
Wild Bergamot
Wild Bergamot
Great Blue Lobelia
Blue Wild Indigo
Great Blue Lobelia
Blue Wild Indigo
Meadow Blazing Star
Rose Milkweed
Rose Milkweed
Sneezeweed
Switch Grass
Meadow Blazing Star
Rose Milkweed
Sneezeweed
Switch Grass
Meadow Blazing Star
Obedient Plant
Obedient Plant
Sneezeweed
Prairie Dropseed
Palm Sedge
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12′

* We may need to substitute appropriate species, without notice, in the case of unexpected greenhouse failures or sold out species later in the season.

This layout has most of the plants in single-species **groups.** The texture of an ornamental grass like Switch Grass, and the shrub-like Blue Wild Indigo flanking both sides, gives this 75 square feet area a more structured, formalized look than a naturalized layout. A layout of this type might require continued use of mulch over the years, pulling of new seedlings and/or dead-heading seed heads to keep plants in their groups. The taller species, Rose Milkweed and Wild Bergamot, might be best placed in the center of the planting for support. *This layout is just a suggestion.*