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Blue Vervain

Verbena hastata

Light:	Full Sun, Partial Sun
Soil:	Loam
Moisture:	Wet, Medium-Wet, Medium
Benefits:	Pollinators, Deer Resistant
Height:	2' to 5'
Blooms:	Jul, Aug, Sep
Zones:	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Color:	Blue, Purple-blue
Spacing:	18" to 24"
Root:	Rhizome

Bumblebees are important pollinators of Blue Vervain and it has been designated as a plant that is of special value to native bees according to the Pollinator Program of The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. The plant readily self-seeds and prefers the wetter conditions of marshes, ditches, wet shores and stream banks.

Blue Vervain, also known as Blue Verbena, is an excellent native landscaping substitute for invasive purple loosestrife and purple foxglove. Deer avoid it; rabbits have been known to nibble on young foliage. The seeds are a staple for small mammals and birds.