# PLANT FOR THE PUGNOSE SHINER!

The Pugnose Shiner (*Notropis anogenus*) is a Species At Risk currently only found in Southern Ontario near the Quinte watershed. It is very vulnerable to declining habitat quality which is often caused by human activities on land.

The following list of native plants can help improve watershed health and support species recovery in eco-zone 6a which covers much of the Quinte watershed. These plants are tolerant to a wide range of soil, light, and moisture conditions.

Western Snowberry (Symphoricarpos occidentalis) Height: 1 m Spread: 1 m

The flowers of this small shrub attract hummingbirds and native bees. Birds and small mammals favour it for food and habitat. It is great at stabilizing banks and controlling erosion.



White berries persist through the winter!



Height: 1.5 m Spread: 2 m

### **Switchgrass** (Panicum virgatum)

This tall grass acts as an excellent water filter and soil stabilizer for shorelines. A variety of bird species eat the seeds and use the brush for cover.

#### Canada Anemone (Anemone Canadensis)

Height: 0.5 m Spread: 1 m

This ground cover is great for erosion control. Its early flowers support pollinators like hummingbirds while being resistant to deer.



Re-vegetates large ground cover areas!

## **Common Hackberry**

(Celtis occidentalis)

Height: 5 m Spread: 10 m

This tall shrub's berries are an important food source for various birds like woodpeckers. It also provides shade which can help create fish habitat if planted alongside water.





Height: 1.5 m Spread: 1 m Blue Vervain (Verbena hastata)

This wildflower is great for erosion control, especially in wet areas. Its flowers support bees and butterflies, and many birds enjoy its seed. Mammals avoid it due to its bitter taste.

## Silver Maple (Acer saccharinum)

Height: 30 m Spread: 15 m

This large tree is great for shoreline stabilization. It provides shade, cover, food, and other needs for a variety of birds, mammals, and fish.



## **Local Native Plant Suppliers**

<u>Watersheds Canada</u> 115-40 Sunset Boulevard, Perth ON watersheds.ca Natural Themes

219 Maybee Road, Frankford ON <u>naturalthemes.com</u>

No matter what you decide to plant, choosing native species will help your shoreline and the wildlife that live there! To discover even more native plants that are best suited for your property, be sure to use the free, Canada-wide Native Plant Database: <u>http://naturaledge.watersheds.ca/plant-database</u>

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