

Lobelia cardinalis
Cardinal flower



Foliage and Summer/Fall Flower

Characteristics: Herbaceous, Perennial, Nonpersistent

Appearance:

Height - 2 to 4 ft.

Flower Color - Scarlet

Flowering Period - June through September

Habitat (Community): Fresh tidal marshes, non-tidal marshes, wooded swamps, seeps, pond, river, and stream banks

Hydrology:

Indicator status - Facultative wetland

Salinity - Freshwater

Non-Tidal Regime - Regularly to permanent saturated

Wildlife Benefits: Food (**nectar**) for hummingbird, oriole, and butterflies.

Distribution: New Brunswick to Michigan and Minnesota, south to Florida and Texas