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Calla palustris

Wild Calla



The striking white flower looks like the florist's calla lily. Glossy green heart-shaped leaves. Easy to grow in rich, mucky soil that never dries out or in standing water. Found in shallow water of sluggish streams, bogs and wet ditches.

Suggested companions: water-loving grass-like plants (e.g. *Scirpus* or *Juncus*), tussock sedge (*Carex stricta*), cinnamon fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*), interrupted fern (*Osmunda clatryonia*), elderberry (*Sambucus canadensis*)

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Plant Type: Wildflower

Size: 6-10" H
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Water Tolerant: Very

Soil: Very Damp/Wet

Flower Color:

White

Bloom Time:

May
June

Other Attributes:

Wildlife attracting

Habitat:

Swamp/ Bog
Lakeside
Streamside

Exposure: sun
filtered

Plant in:

Groundcover: No