This testimonial was submitted by a LOWA member along with the photo of his demonstration garden. He uses native perennials throughout his landscape, and developed this garden to showcase what can be done in all light conditions. Wasn’t he smart to paint small rocks with the names of each plant so he knows what is coming up, where? We think it turned out lovely and we’d love to see what you’ve done too.

*I’d like to thank LOWA for the native plant sales, and Prairie Hill Farm for the outstanding quality of their plants.*

*Last fall, I put in a 50-foot long “demonstration” native plant garden. Nearly all of the 25 varieties of native plants were purchased at your plant sale last Fall.  They’ve all done spectacularly well, with a nearly 100% survival rate over the winter.  In addition, and perhaps best news of all, I’ve had ZERO problems with deer eating the plants.  I’m done raising plants to feed the deer!*

*The exposure ranges from full shade in the foreground to full sun in the background, so I have a complete range of native plants to show others what might “work” in their particular landscapes.  Look closely, and you’ll see small rocks on which I’ve attached labels containing the names of the plants.*

*I’m sold on natives, and trying to spread the “religion” to anyone who’ll listen.  They may not necessarily be the most beautiful plants with season-long blooms, but they are great for our yards and environment.  I hope that, someday, the big-box garden centers will jump on board and start offering them to the masses.  If and when that happens, we’ll know that we’ve made a giant step in promoting the use of native plants.*

*Thanks again!*

*Jim*