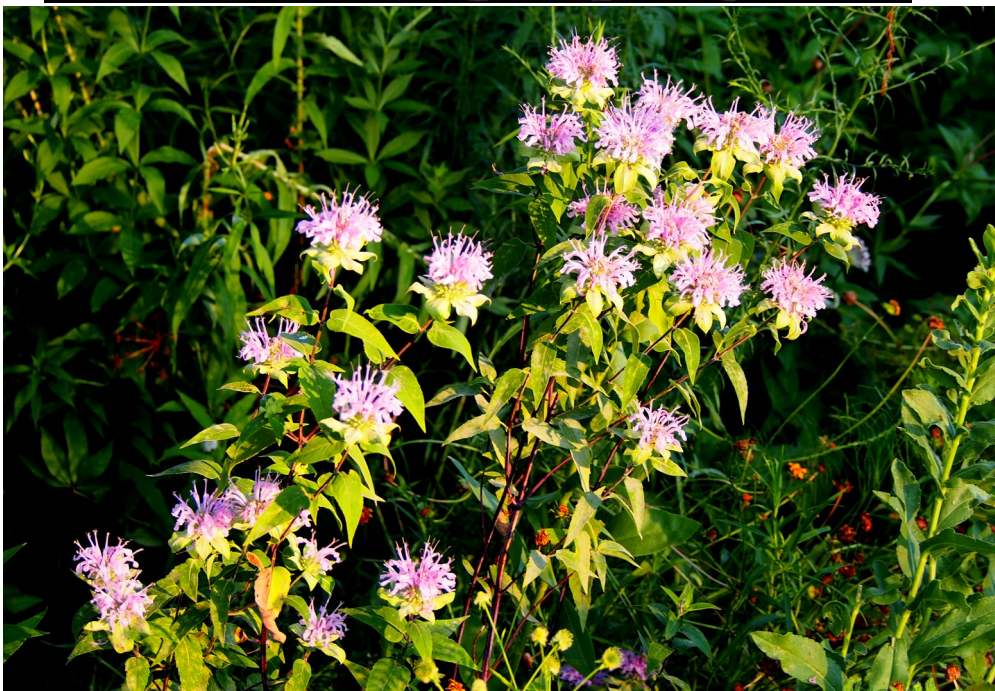


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Day	Moon rises	South	Moon sets	% Illum/Phase
Monday	04:54 AM	12:22 PM	07:55 PM	2%
Tuesday	05:47 AM	01:22 PM	08:58 PM	New Moon
Wednesday	06:49 AM	02:23 PM	09:55 PM	1%
Thursday	07:57 AM	03:24 PM	10:44 PM	5%
Friday	09:09 AM	04:23 PM	11:27 PM	11%
Saturday	10:21 AM	05:18 PM		20%
Sunday	11:33 AM	06:11 PM	12:05 AM	30%



Beebalm is blooming in area prairies and woodland edges. This native mint makes a good tea when leaves are steeped. Leaves and seedheads are good for putting in closets and potpourri because they retain their aroma for months. Like the name implies, bees love this plant, and the leaves when applied to pimples purportedly hasten their healing.



Sun

Jupiter, Saturn rise in east at dusk

Nature Notes

Day	Gets light	Sunrise	Sunset	Gets dark
Monday	04:52 AM	05:58 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Tuesday	04:53 AM	05:59 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Wednesday	04:54 AM	05:59 AM	08:50 PM	10:05 PM
Thursday	04:54 AM	06:00 AM	08:50 PM	10:04 PM
Friday	04:55 AM	06:00 AM	08:49 PM	10:04 PM
Saturday	04:56 AM	06:01 AM	08:49 PM	10:04 PM
Sunday	04:56 AM	06:02 AM	08:49 PM	10:03 PM

§ Echinacea, milkweeds, Culver's root, lead plant, blackeyed susan, yarrow, gray coneflower, slender mountain mint, beebalm and sensitivebrier continue to bloom while rattlesnakemaster has headed out and compassplant is shooting up its flower stalk. Still a great time to learn your prairie wildflowers.

§ Katydidids have begun to add their call to the night sounds; go out on a summer night to see if you can identify all of the other sounds: which frog or toad? Which insect? Which owl are you hearing and can you make out a whippoorwill or chuck will's widow? Many animals are nocturnal this time of year to avoid the heat; it's a great time to enjoy the natural fireworks of the firefly and heat lightning while you're at it.

§ Sycamores are shedding their bark while their seedheads are beginning to turn reddish brown and Kansas dogwood berries are green. Osage orange balls are growing and black walnuts are the size of shelled pecans. Hedge parsley/sticktites seeds of maturing and look for more and more spiderwebs.

§ Galls are forming on many leaves and stems on area plants, caused by insects laying eggs that prompt the plant to grow a bump that protects the larva, almost like a green pearl. Dragonflies are prolific this year; they eat lots of mosquitoes!