

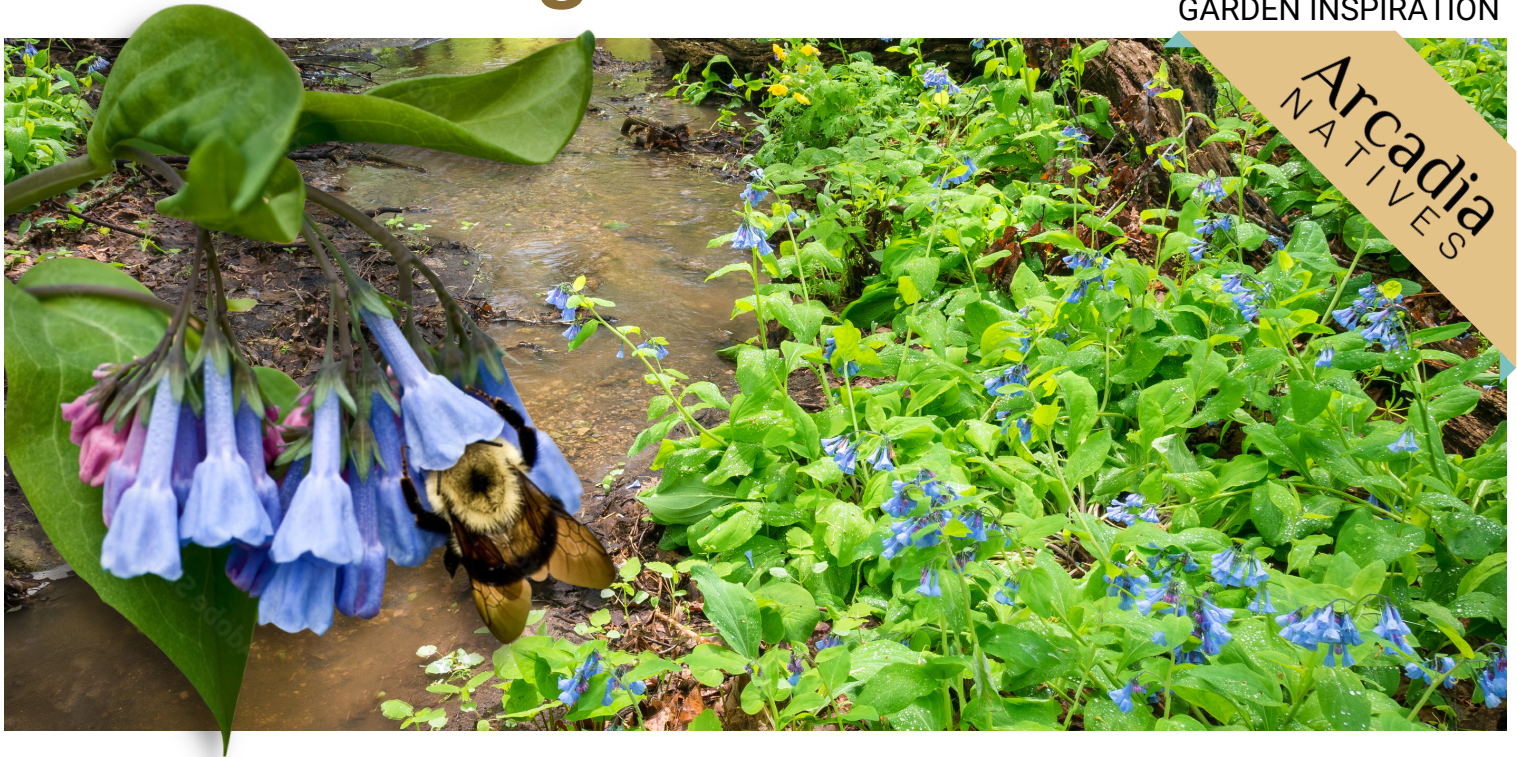


# Virginia Bluebells

## Mertensia virginica



EPHEMERAL  
GARDEN INSPIRATION

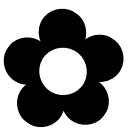


- Woodland/shade gardens
- Blooms blue, April-May
- Goes dormant by summer
- Early food for pollinators
- Prefers moist, fertile soil

### HELPFUL TIPS:

Best left undisturbed where it can form large colonies. To hide fading leaves & fill in summer gaps, overplant with native ferns/annuals/perennials.

*COMPANIONS: Mayapples, Wood Poppy, Jacob's Ladder, Toothwort, Ferns, Blue Cohosh, Golden Alexanders, Downy Yellow Violet, Golden Groundsel*



Spring  
Flowers



Deer  
Resistant



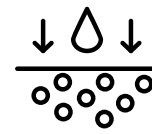
Butterflies &  
Bumble Bees



Attractive  
Foliage



Pairs Well  
With Ferns



Prefers  
Moist Soil



Colony  
Forming

**Height:** 1-2 feet  
**Spacing:** 1-2 feet

**Soil:** Average, Rich, Loam  
Medium-Wet, Medium