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Scioto Gardens is a Central Ohio container nursery emphasizing native species and specializing in new varieties not commonly available from other local sources. Choose from distinctive, high quality perennials, ferns, grasses, flowering shrubs, and trees for residential, commercial, and community landscapes.


Our primary focus is on native perennials and shrubs. However, non-invasive exotics are an equally important part of the choices we offer you. There is great creative opportunity using natives in combination with exotics. Adding more native plants into our landscapes provides food and habitat for wildlife and connections to larger natural areas.


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SHRUBS & TREES


Acanthopanax s. 'Variegatus' 
Variegated Aralia. Beautiful variegated plant with bright yellow and green palmate leaves. Great tough plant for average to dry locations. Arching form. Small weak spines at the petioles. Japan. Full sun to full shade. 5-8' x 5-8' Zone 4


Acer saccharum 
Sugar Maple. One of the best native shade trees. A significant deciduous tree of the Eastern U.S. hardwood forest. Spectacular fall color. Sap is used to make maple syrup. Average soil. Generally intolerant of road salt, soil compaction and pollution. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 40-80' x 30-60' Zone 3


Aesculus flava 
Yellow Buckeye. A beautiful deciduous tree an oblong-rounded crown. Largest of the native buckeyes. Typically found in rich soils on stream banks and mountain slopes. Yellow flowers in erect panicles appear in mid-spring. Leaf scorch may occur in droughty conditions. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 50-75' x 30-50' Zone 4


Aesculus parvaflora 
Bottle Brush Buckeye. Slow spreading shrub with creamy white flowers in summer. Panicles are 6-24" Golden yellow fall color. Average to moist soil. Prefers acid soil but is adaptable to others. Southeastern US native. Full sun to part shade. 6-10' x 10' Zone 4


Aesculus pavia 
Red Buckeye. Small tree with nice rounded form. Red flower spikes in spring are great for hummingbirds. Average soil. Native to southern US. Full sun to part shade. 10-20' x 10-20' Zone 5

Amelanchier x 'Cole's Select' 
Serviceberry. White flowers in spring and glossy green foliage. Birds and people love the fruit. Red fall color. 'Coles Select' is more of a tree form than A. canadensis. Average to moist soil, best in acidic soil. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 20' x 15' Zone 4

Aronia arbutifolia 'Brilliantissima' 
Red Chokeberry. White flowers in late spring, bright red glossy fruit, shiny foliage, and brilliant red fall color. Average to moist soil. A good rain garden plant. Endangered species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 6-8' x 6' Zone 4

Aronia melanocarpa 'Iroquois Beauty' 
Black Chokeberry. A beautiful dwarf form. Fragrant, white flowers in late spring, black fruit and brilliant wine-red fall color. Average to moist soil. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 3

Aronia melanocarpa 'Viking' 
Black Chokeberry. Lovely white flower clusters in spring. Large black edible fruit for wildlife and humans. Developed as an orchard plant in Europe. Deep green shiny foliage turns a brilliant red in fall. Adaptable to low wet areas and average soils. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 6' x 6-8' Zones 3-8

Asimina triloba 
Common Pawpaw. An popular native tree with large drooping leaves giving it a tropical look. Normally found as an understory tree. The nutritious fruit has a fragrant aroma with a banana/pear flavor. Best fruit set with 2 plants. Best in moist, rich soils. Medicinal uses. Full sun to shade. 15-20' tall and wide. Zone 5

SHRUBS & TREES

Betula nigra 'Little King' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Dwarf River Birch. Compact, oval-rounded growth habit with glossy medium green foliage. Exfoliating bark makes a nice winter effect. Excellent resistance to bronze birch borer. Average to wet soil. Great rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 10' x 10' Zone 3

Buxus sempervirens 'Graham Blandy' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Boxwood. Very narrow, upright columnar growth habit with beautiful green foliage. Fast growing when established. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 9' x 2' Zone 5

Buxus sempervirens 'Suffruticosa' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Edging Boxwood. Compact slow-growing dwarf. Fragrant shiny green foliage. Dense growth habit forms tight oval without pruning. Average to dry soil. Protect from winter winds. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 3-5' Zone 6

Buxus sempervirens 'True Spreader' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Boxwood. Dark green shiny foliage holds color well in winter. Compact cushion shape with strong branches. Slow grower. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 2' x 4' Zone 4

Buxus sempervirens 'Varder Valley' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Boxwood. One of the hardiest low boxwoods with a dense, compact, rather flat-topped form. Small dark blue-green leaves. Good winter color. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 2' x 2-3' Zone 4

Buxus sempervirens 'Variegata' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Boxwood. Dark green leaves with yellow edges. Nice rounded form. Slow growing. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 5

Buxus sempervirens 'Welleri' ☀️🌑🌑🌑
Boxwood. Dense, broad form with excellent green color through winter. Originated in MI, does very well in the Midwest. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 3' x 5' Zone 5

Buxus x 'Glenco' ☀️🌑🌑
Chicagoland Green Boxwood. Compact spreading habit. Good winter color. Faster growing than 'Green Velvet.' Excellent hardiness. Has withstood lows of -22° to -37° F with no die back. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' x 2-3' Zone 4 2-3' x 2-3' Zone 4

Buxus x 'Green Gem' ☀️🌑🌑
Boxwood. Superior slow-growing, very compact dwarf globe boxwood. Narrow leaves hold deep green color year-round. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 30" x 30" Zone 5

Buxus x 'Green Mountain' ☀️🌑🌑
Boxwood. Upright, conical form with small dark green leaves. Excellent for hedges. Extremely hardy. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 5' x 3' Zone 4

Buxus x 'Green Velvet' ☀️🌑🌑
Boxwood. Large oval dark green foliage holds color well through winter. Light green new growth. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 4

Buxus x 'Wilson' ☀️🌑🌑
Northern Charm Boxwood. This hardy selection has excellent deep emerald color and has proven itself in Chicago's brutal winters. Small narrow leaves similar to Green Gem. Compact low oval mounded habit. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' x 2-3' Zone 5

Callicarpa dichotoma 'Early Amethyst' ☀️🌑✂️🌑
Beautyberry. Stunning purple berries in early fall on arching branches. Asia. Average soil. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 4' Zone 5

Calycanthus floridus ☀️🌑🌑🌑🌑🌑
Sweet Shrub. Spicy fragrant, maroon flowers in May. Glossy green foliage is aromatic when crushed. Very adaptable to most soils. Medicinal uses. Native to Eastern US. Extirpated in OH wilds. Full sun to part shade. 6-9' x 6-12' Zone 4

Caryopteris divaricata 'Snow Fairy' ☀️🌑✂️🌑
Variiegated Bluebeard. Dark green foliage with creamy white margins. Small blue flowers in late summer and fall. Cut back in spring. Blooms on new wood. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 3-5' x 3-5' Zone 5

Caryopteris x clandonensis 'Dark Knight' ☀️🌑✂️🌑
Bluebeard. Intense dark blue flowers in late summer and fall. Great plant for late season color. Green leaves are silvery underneath. Compact growth habit. Cut back in spring. Average to dry soil. 30" Full sun. Zone 5

Caryopteris x clandonensis 'Longwood Blue' ☀️🌑✂️🌑
Bluebeard. Lovely clusters of blue flowers in late summer. Great for butterflies. Mounded gray-green foliage. Cut back in spring. Blooms on new wood. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 4' x 4' Zone 5

Caryopteris x clandonensis 'Petit Bleu' ☀️🌑✂️🌑
Dwarf Bluebeard. Deep blue flowers, dark glossy green foliage with a tight compact growth habit. Intense floral display in late summer. Butterflies love it. Cut back in spring. Blooms on new wood. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 24-30" x 30" Zone 5

Ceanothus americanus ☀️🌑🌑🌑
New Jersey Tea. A compact native shrub with dark green foliage and white flowers in mid-summer. Best in well drained to dry soil. Fixes atmospheric nitrogen. Good shrub for tough situations. OH Native. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 4

Cephalanthus occidentalis ☀️🌑🌑✂️🌑🌑
Buttonbush. Creamy white spherical flowers for several weeks in summer. Rounded form with glossy foliage for a medium texture. Average to wet soils. Good plant for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' x 4-6' Zone 5

Cercis canadensis ☀️🌑🌑✂️🌑
Redbud. A favorite native understory tree. Purple flowers line the branches in early spring. Heart shaped medium green leaves. Average to moist soil. Best in part shade. OH native. 20-30' Zone 4

SHRUBS & TREES

Chamaecyparis obtusa 'Green Mound' ☀️🌑🌑
Hinoki Cypress. Very uniform upright oval growth habit. Like a football on a tee. Dark green foliage. Evergreen. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 5

Chamaecyparis obtusa 'Pygmae Aurescens' ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿
Drawf Bronze False Cypress. Beautiful dwarf evergreen with bronze-green foliage that turns orange-copper in winter. Does well in average soil. Best in partial shade and sheltered from winter winds. Will not tolerate poor drainage. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 5' Zone 4

Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Filifera Aurea Nana' ☀️🌑🌑
Threadleaf False Cypress. Golden, fine-textured, feathery foliage year around. Forms a nice low mound. Very slow growing. Average to moist soil. Full sun to part shade. 24-30" x 24-30" (3-6' in 10 years) Zone 5

Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Gold Spangle' ☀️🌑🌑
False Cypress. Golden foliage on an upright threadleaf form. Brightest yellow winter color. Average to moist soil. 15' x 6-8' (in 10 yrs) Zone 4

Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Vintage Gold' ☀️🌑🌑
Dwarf False Cypress. Attractive fern-like, soft, bright yellow foliage holds its color well year around. Forms a strong growing mound. Average to moist soil. Full sun to part shade. 3-6' x 3-6' (in 10 yrs.) Zone 4

Chamaecyparis thyoides 'Red Star' ☀️🌑🌑🌿
Atlantic Whitecedar. A compact, dense, evergreen with somewhat columnar growth habit. Beautiful blue-green, soft foliage that turns an interesting plum purple in the winter. Average to moist. Good for rain gardens. Eastern US native. Full sun to part shade. 8-12' x 4-5' Grows about 6-10" per year. Zone 4

Clethra alnifolia 'Ruby Spice' ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Summersweet. Fragrant deep reddish-pink flowers that don't fade. Yellow fall color. Attracts butterflies & hummingbirds. Moist soil. Salt tolerant. Eastern US native. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' x 4' Zone 4

Cornus amomum ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿
Silky Dogwood. Tiny yellowish-white flowers followed by attractive porcelain blue berries that ripen in August. Medium green leaves. Twigs are reddish to purplish brown in spring. Open-rounded form. Typically found in moist lowland areas and along streams. Good for rain gardens. OH native. 6-10' x 6-10' Full sun to part shade. Zone 5

Cornus florida 🌑🌿🌿🌿R
Flowering Dogwood. Showy white flowers in spring. Understory tree, best in partial shade with good drainage. Four-season interest: spring flowers, summer and fall foliage, winter fruit and form. Medicinal uses. OH native. 15' Zone 5

Cornus mas ☀️🌑🌑
Corneliancherry. Lovely yellow flowers in early spring. Pretty red fruit is used for syrup and preserves. Exfoliating bark provides winter interest. Average to dry soil. From Central Europe and W. Asia. Full sun to part shade. 20' x 20' Zone 4

Cornus racemosa ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Gray Dogwood. An excellent native shrub for wildlife. Multi-stemmed with an upright habit. Spreads to form a colony. White flowers in the spring followed by white fruit in late summer. Very adaptive to wet or dry soil, sun or shade. Good rain garden plant. OH native. 6-10' Zone 3

Cornus sericea ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Redosier Dogwood. Beautiful red stems create great winter interest. Excellent for use in cut arrangements. Cut back each year for straight red stems and smaller plant. Medium green leaf. Very adaptable to most soils including wet. Good rain garden plant. OH native, local genotype. Full sun to part shade. 8-10' Zone 2

Cornus sericea 'Cardinal' ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Redosier Dogwood. Beautiful bright red stems create great winter interest. Excellent for use in cut arrangements. Cut back each year for straight red stems and smaller plant. Medium green leaf. Very adaptable to most soils including wet. Good rain garden plant. Native to most of the US including OH. Full sun to part shade. 8-10' Zone 2

Cornus sericea 'Silver & Gold' ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Variegated Yellow Twig Dogwood. Bold green and white variegated foliage on yellow stems for year around interest. Fast growing and very adaptable to most soils including wet. Good choice for rain gardens. Yellow stems can be used in cut arrangements. Cut back each year for straight stems and smaller plant. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 7' x 10' Zone 2

Corylus Americana ☀️🌑🌑
American Hazelnut. Strongly multi-stemmed shrub with a rounded top and wide spreading stems. Catkins are showy in early spring. Nuts ripen in early fall. Great for wildlife especially squirrels. Best in well drained loamy soil. pH adaptable. OH native. Full sun to light shade. 10-15' Zone 4

Cotinus x 'Grace' ☀️🌑🌑
Smokebush. Intense wine-red new leaves mature to dusky reddish blue. Masses of large, deep pink panicles cover the plant in early summer. Stunning bright orange fall color. A good substitute for Sand Cherry. Full sun. 10-15' x 10-15' Zone 4

Diervilla lonicera ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿
Dwarf Bush Honeysuckle. A compact, clumping form with yellow flowers in mid-summer. Attracts hummingbirds. Moist to dry soil. Very adaptable. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to full shade. 3' x 4' Zone 3

Diospyros virginiana ☀️🌑🌑R
American Persimmon. The persimmon is one of the most luscious and sweet fruits when fully ripe. Great for wildlife and people. Forms a slender rounded crown. Attractive specimen tree. Dioecious. Adaptable to wide range of moist to dry soils. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun. 50' x 25' Zone 4

Fothergilla major 'Mt Airy' ☀️🌑🌑🌿🌿🌿
Fothergilla. Abundant, fragrant, white bottlebrush flowers in early spring. Vigorous plant with dark blue-green foliage. Great yellow, orange, and red fall color. Best in average to dry, acidic soil. US Native. 4-5' x 4-5' Zone 5

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Indigofera pseudotinctoria 'Rose Carpet' ☀️🌿🌳
Indigo. A lovely prostrate shrub with rose-pink flowers from mid-summer to fall. Treat like a perennial, cut back in spring. Late to leaf out. Medicinal uses. Full sun. 12-18" x 12-18" Zone 5

Itea virginica 'Little Henry' ☀️🌿🌳🌱🌿
Dwarf Virginia Sweetspire. Compact form is perfect for filling large banks, beds and borders. Pure white, fragrant flower racemes in June. Brilliant red fall color. Great for average to wet sites. Good rain garden plant. Native to Eastern US. Full sun to full shade. 3' x 3' Zone 5

Itea virginica 'Saturnalia' ☀️🌿🌳🌱🌿
Rings of Saturn Virginia Sweetspire. Lightly fragrant white flower racemes in early summer. Magnificent display of red, orange and yellow fall colors. Great for average to wet sites. Good rain garden plant. Eastern US native. Full sun to full shade. 4' x 4' Zone 5

Juniperus virginiana ☀️🌿🌳
Eastern Red Cedar. Densely conical form when young. Broader and slightly pendulous in old age. Excellent evergreen for screening and as a specimen. Beneficial for wildlife. Adaptable to wide range of soils. OH native. Sun to part shade. 30-40' x 8-15' Zone 4

Juniperus virginiana 'Grey Owl' ☀️🌿🌳
Dwarf Eastern Red Cedar. A dwarf spreading form of Eastern Red Cedar with soft silver gray foliage. Compact growth habit. Beneficial for wildlife. Does well in most soil types except wet. Evergreen. OH native. Best in full sun. 3' x 6' Zone 3b

Larix laricina ☀️🌿🌳
American Larch, Tamarack. A deciduous conifer found in moist to wet areas. Does well in average soils, acidic to neutral is best. Medium to fast growing when young. Bright blue-green foliage with good yellow fall color. Does not tolerate harsh urban conditions. Good for large rain gardens. Salt tolerant. Ohio native. Full sun. 40-80' x 20-30' Zone 2

Leptodermis oblonga ☀️🌿🌳🌱🌿
Chinese Lilac. Small, fragrant, lavender, lilac-like flowers appear in late spring and continue until frost. Low mounding shrub. This little known shrub could easily be mistaken for a miniature lilac! Late to leaf out. Average soil. China. Full sun. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 5

Liriodendron tulipifera ☀️🌿🌳
Tulip Poplar. Large fast growing OH native. Yellow tulip-shaped flowers with an orange band at the base of the petals in May- June. Best in rich, organic, well drained soils. Long prized as a timber tree. Honey is an important product. Native Americans made canoes from the trunks. Full sun to part shade. 60-90' x 30-50' Zone 4.

Lindera benzoin 🌿🌳🌱🌿
Spicebush. A rounded shrub good for naturalizing and borders. Yellow flowers in early spring before the leaves. Host to spicebush swallowtail butterfly. Yellow foliage and showy red fruit provide fall color. Best in moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Partial to full shade. 6-8' x 6-8' Zone 5

Lindera glauca var. salicifolia. ☀️🌿🌳🌱🌿
Korean Spicebush. Attractive willow-like foliage, emerald green above and gray-green below. Brilliant orange fall color. Tan foliage persists all winter. Jet black fruit in late summer. Tall oval habit. Average soil. Korea. Full sun. 10' x 8' Zone 5.

Magnolia virginiana ☀️🌿🌳
Sweetbay Magnolia. Beautiful semi-evergreen upright shrub. Fragrant lemon scented white flowers in early summer and sporadically until Sept. Narrow glossy leaves are silvery underneath. Best in acid soils. Will not thrive in alkaline soil. Average to wet soil. US native. 15-20' x 15-20' Full sun to part shade. Zone 5

Magnolia x 'Ann' ☀️🌿🌳
 Deep purple-red flowers in spring. Blooms late enough to avoid frost damage most years. Dr Dirr's favorite of the "little girl" hybrid magnolias. Nice rounded form. Adaptable to most soils except wet. Sun to part shade. 8-10' x 8-10' Zone 4

Magnolia x 'Ballerina' ☀️🌿🌳
 Fragrant pure white flowers with a hint of pink in the center. Usually escapes late spring frosts. Easier to grow than dogwood. Nice rounded habit. Adaptable to most soils except wet. Full sun to part shade. 15' x 15' Zone 5

Magnolia x 'Betty' ☀️🌿🌳
 A vigorous plant producing very large flowers (up to 8" across) in spring. Petals are dark purple on the outside and almost white inside. Attractive bright green foliage. Broad, rounded habit. Full sun to part shade. 10-15' H x 8-10' Zone 3.

Magnolia x loebneri 'Merrill' ☀️🌿🌳
 A vigorous free-flowering tree with large, fragrant, white flowers blushed with pink in spring. Nice rounded crown. Average soil. Intolerant of very wet or dry conditions. Full sun to part shade. 20-30' x 20-30' Zone 3

Malus coronaria ☀️🌿🌳
American Crabapple. Pink flower buds open to single white fragrant flowers with a rose tinge. Yellowish-green fruit with a harsh acid taste. Can be used for cider and preserves. Branches usually thorny. Important native tree for wildlife. Found in moist soils in borders and forest openings. Ohio native. Full sun to part shade. 20-30' Zone 4.

Myrica pensylvanica ☀️🌿🌳🌱🌿
Bayberry. Excellent semi-evergreen shrub for massing or borders. Salt tolerant. Deep green lustrous aromatic foliage. Very adaptable to all but wet soils. Clump forming. Medicinal uses. Native to Eastern US. Endangered species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 9' x 9' Zone 3

Neillia sinensis ☀️🌿🌳
Chinese Neillia. Pink tubular flowers in May. Rounded habit. Rich green toothed foliage. Flowers on previous season's wood. Rare except in arboretums. Average to moist soils. China. Full sun to part shade. 5-6' x 5-6' Zone 5

Nyssa sylvatica ☀️🌿🌳
Black Tupelo. A fantastic native tree. Lustrous dark green foliage in summer. Fabulous fall colors of yellow, orange, red and purple. Conical form makes a nice specimen tree. Adaptable to range of soils. Best in pH 5.5 -6.5. Native to OH and Eastern half of US. 30' x 20' Zone 4

SHRUBS & TREES

Ostrya virginiana



Hop Hornbeam. Dark green leaves with fine textured horizontal to drooping branches. Slow growing (1-2' per year) with mildly exfoliating bark. Found as an understory tree in upland woods. Will tolerate full sun. Average, well drained soil. Does well in suburban and urban conditions. OH native. Full sun to shade. 25-40' x 20-30' Zone 3b

Philadelphus microphyllus



Little Leaf Mockorange. Low, slow growing US native mockorange. Very fragrant (pineapple scent) pure white flowers in spring. Stems have attractive exfoliating bark. Best in full sun. Average soil. Native to the Rocky Mountains. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 5

Physocarpus opulifolius



Common Ninebark. Pink or white flowers clusters in late spring. Reddish fruit for wildlife. Ninebark is an upright, spreading shrub noted for its exfoliating bark. Prune as needed immediately after bloom. Plants may be cut to the ground in winter to rejuvenate. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 5-8' x 4-6' Zone 2

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Center Glow'



Ninebark. New leaves emerge red with a yellow base and age to burgundy. Light pink flower clusters in late spring. Best foliage color in full sun. Dry to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. Exfoliating bark for winter interest. OH Native. Full sun to part shade. 6-8' x 6-8' Zone 3

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Coppertina'



Ninebark. Copper foliage in spring transforms to a rich red in summer. White flower clusters in mid-summer. Tough native plant that tolerates a wide range of soils. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun. 6-8' x 6-8' Zone 3

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Summer Wine'



Ninebark. Beautiful dark red foliage. Pinkish-white flower clusters in mid-summer are very showy and good for cut flowers. Compact branching with deeply cut foliage provides a fine texture. Adaptable to wide range of soils. Good plant for rain gardens. OH Native Full sun. 5-6'x5-6' Zone 3

Picea abies



Norway Spruce. A conical evergreen tree with stiff dark green needles (to 3/4" long). Pendant seed cones (4-7" long) are reddish-brown. Great for large lawns, parks or woodland areas. Effective screen or windbreak. Average to moist soils. Full sun to light shade. 40-60' x 25-30' Zone 2

Picea abies 'Little Gem'



Dwarf Norway Spruce. A small, dwarf, rounded form. Found as a witches-broom on *Picea a. 'Nidiformis'*, the original Bird's Nest Spruce. Very slow growing. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 1-2' x 1-2' Zone 2

Pinus strobus



White Pine. Beautiful Ohio native evergreen tree. Long, soft needles provide a nice texture in the landscape. Fast growing. Average soil. Does not tolerate urban conditions. Full sun to part shade. 80' x 40' Zone 3

Platanus occidentalis



Sycamore. A very large US native tree of bottomlands and riverbanks. The exfoliating bark is shades of gray to almost white. Excellent winter interest. Large leaves provide good shade. Average to wet soils. Good tree for large rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 100' x 100' Zone 4

Potentilla fruticosa 'Dakota Sunspot'



Bush Cinquefoil. Vivid deep golden yellow flowers from spring until frost. Interesting brown peeling bark in winter. A compact spreading growth habit. Average to moist soil with good drainage. Very hardy, tough, cultivar of OH native. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' x 3-4' Zone 2

Prunus Americana



American Red Plum. Pure white, fragrant flowers in early spring before the leaves emerge. Fruits are yellow to red and ripen in mid-summer. Plums are enjoyed by people and wildlife. Forms colonies in uncultivated areas. Adapts to most soils except wet. OH native. 15-25' Zone 3

Pterostyrax hispida



Fragrant Epaulettetree. Rare, beautiful small tree with fragrant white pendulous panicles in May-June. Begins to flower when 8-10' in height. Great fun for serious gardeners. Best in well drained, acidic soil and full sun. Japan. Full sun to part shade. 20' x 20' Zone 4

Quercus alba



White Oak. A substantial tree with a wide-spreading, rounded crown. Acorns are an important food source for wildlife. Grows on many soil types. Best in deep rich, well drained soils. Does well in suburban gardens with proper placement. Will not tolerate harsh urban conditions. Ohio native. Full sun to partial shade. 50-80' Zone 3.

Quercus macrocarpa



Burr Oak. Majestic US native with large bass fiddle shaped leaves (4-12" long). Large sweet acorns with distinctive fringe. Adaptable to most soils. Tolerant of suburban/urban conditions. Very important tree for wildlife. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 100' x 100' Zone 4

Quercus muehlenbergii



Chinkapin Oak. A strong drought tolerant native with narrow shiny leaves. Important for wildlife. Usually wider than tall. Found on dry limestone outcrops and moist soils in higher bottoms. It is rare over most of its range. OH native. 70' x 80' Full sun to part shade. Zone 4

Quercus palustris



Pin Oak. A medium size, relatively fast growing oak with a conical crown. Host to several butterfly and moth species. Acorns are important food for wildlife. Medium to wet soils. Usually best in acidic soils but these plants are from local genome doing well in alkaline soils. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun. 50-70' x 25-40' Zone 4

Quercus prinus



Chestnut Oak. Attractive shiny narrow leaves with deeply furrowed dark brown to black bark. Acorns are sweet. Very important for wildlife. Perhaps the best native oak for suburban/urban conditions. Quite drought tolerant. Found in the wild on dry rocky ridge tops with poor soils. OH native. 70' x 60' Full sun to part shade. Zone 4

SHRUBS & TREES

Quercus rubra



Red Oak. A fast growing oak with a rounded form. Adaptable to a variety of conditions except wet soil. Best in well drained conditions. Red fall color. OH native. Full sun. 60-75' x 60-75' Zone 4

Quercus shumardii



Shumard Oak. Shiny dark green leaves with a shape similar to Quercus rubra. Red fall color. Excellent shade tree. Adapted to alkaline soils and drought tolerant. Will achieve greatest size on deep, moist well-drained soil. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 60' x 60' Zone 5

Rhus copallina var. latifolia 'Morton'



Prairie Flame Sumac. Yellowish-white flowers in mid-summer become red fuzzy fruit in fall which is good for wildlife. Glossy green foliage. Outstanding red-orange fall color. Refined compact habit. Native to Eastern US including OH. Full sun to part shade. 6-7' Zone 4

Rosa rugosa 'Dart's Dash'



Large, fragrant, semi-double, mauve-red flowers. Blooms repeatedly all summer. Abundant large, orange-red rosehips in the fall. The dark green foliage is disease resistant and turns bright orange in the fall. Salt tolerant. Medicinal uses. Full sun. 3.5 - 4' x 3.5 - 4' Zone 2

Rosa rugosa 'Dwarf Pavement'



A very compact rose with bright pink, fragrant semi-double flowers. Blooms repeatedly all summer. Makes an excellent border plant. Pavement roses are tough as well as beautiful. Salt tolerant and disease resistant. Medicinal uses. Full sun. 2.5' x 2.5' Zone 3

Rosa rugosa 'Snow Pavement'



Fragrant, white semi-double flowers with yellow stamen in center. Flowers open blush pink and gradually turn white. Reblooms all summer. Large showy hips in fall. Attractive dark green foliage is disease resistant. Yellow fall color. Salt tolerant. Medicinal uses. 2-3' x 2-3' Zone 4

Rosa x 'Adelaide Hoodless'



Smothered in stunning double red flowers with yellow eyes all summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Dark green foliage throughout the season. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The orange hips are displayed from mid to late fall. Disease resistant. 5' x 5' Full sun. Zone 3

Rosa x 'Ballerina'



Lightly fragrant blush flowers, white in the center and deepening to pink at the edges. A continuous prolific display of small single blossoms in domed clusters. Tiny orange-red hips in fall. Forms a 5 to 6 ft. tall shrub with arching canes covered with rich light green leaves. Disease resistant. Full sun. Zone 4

Rosa x 'Chuckles'



Deep pink single flowers are 2-3" in diameter and held in clusters near the tips of the canes. Ever blooming floribunda type rose. Very fragrant. Glossy green foliage. Nice compact, mounded form. Disease resistant. Average to moist, well drained soil. Full sun. 2' x 2' Zone 4

Rosa x 'Henry Kelsey'



Red semi-double flowers that rebloom all summer. A clean, vigorous climbing rose with good disease resistance. A kordesii hybrid. Full sun. 6-7' Zone 3

Rosa x 'Hope for Humanity'



Intense, dark red, double flowers are as close to a true "blood red" color as you can get. An everblooming rose. Developed by the Morden, Manitoba research station for the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Red Cross. Full sun. 2 - 4' x 2 - 3' Zone 3b

Rosa x 'John Davis'



Light pink, double flowers with a spicy sweet fragrance. Covered in blooms at peak and then reblooms all summer. The red canes are equally spectacular whether trellised or trailing. Very winter hardy. Few thorns. Glossy leathery foliage is highly resistant to blackspot and mildew. 6-8' tall Zone 3

Rosa x 'Prairie Sunrise'



Stunning double apricot blend flowers. Very fragrant. Reblooms most of the summer. Excellent shrub rose with glossy green foliage and compact growth habit. Quite disease resistant. Average to moist soil. Full sun. 3' x 3' Zone 4

Rosa x 'The Fairy'



Dainty sprays of small, rose-pink, rosette shaped flowers are produced in profusion all over a dense, spreading bush from summer to fall. Use as a groundcover, trailing over walls, in containers, or mass plantings. Vigorous with disease resistant leaves. Full sun. 2 - 3'h x 2 - 3'w Zone 4

Sambucus canadensis 'Laciniata'



Cutleaf Elderberry. White flower cymes 6-10" wide in June-July. Purple black fruit is high in vitamin C. Good for wine, juice, pies and jellies. Deeply divided foliage. Will grow in most soils both acid and alkaline. OH native. Best in full sun. 6-8' Zone 4

Sassafras albidum



Sassafras. Medium sized US native with bright green leaves in 3 shapes; 3 lobed, entire, and mitten shaped. Aromatic bright green to reddish stems. Nice yellow flowers in spring. Fantastic fall colors in shades of yellow, orange, purple and red. Best in acid soil. Will colonize without competition. OH Native. Full sun to part shade. 50' x 35' Zone 4

Shepherdia argentea



Buffalo Bush. U.S. native shrub with silvery foliage. Red to orange fruit in mid to late summer that can be used for jelly. Good for wildlife. 1-2" spines on the stems. Tolerant of poor dry soils and alkaline sites. Tough plant for harsh locations. Salt tolerant. Best in full sun. 10-15' x 10-15' Zone 2

Spirea alba



Meadow-sweet. Beautiful white cone shaped clusters of flowers in summer. Great for butterflies. Typically found along streams and in wet prairies. Moist to wet soils. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' x 3-4' Zone 3

Spirea x cinerea 'Grefsheim'



Grefsheim Spirea. Small white flowers blanket the leafless branches in spring making the shrub appear as a beautiful white cloud. It forms a dense shrub with arching stems. Superior to Bridal Veil Spirea. Average soil. 4-5' tall x 4-5' Full sun to part shade. Zone 4

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Syringa 'Minuet'



Dwarf Lilac. Lovely light lavender fragrant flowers in spring. Nice upright form with outstanding dark green foliage. An excellent lilac. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 6-8' tall Zone 3

Syringa meyeri (S. palibin)



Dwarf Korean Lilac. Compact form with small dark green leaves. Strong bloomer with purple flower buds opening to light pink. Fragrant. Average to dry soil. Asia. Full sun to part shade. 3-5' x 3-5' Zone 3

Syringa x 'Josee'



Dwarf Lilac. A reblooming lilac with lavender-pink flowers that appear in May and continue until frost! Lovely lilac fragrance. Average to dry soil. Asia. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' x 4' Zone 2

Taxodium disticum



Bald Cypress. Beautiful deciduous conifer tree with straight strongly buttressed trunks. Usually found in swamps but it will grow well in average garden conditions (wet to dry). Forms cypress "knees" in wet conditions. Does not do well in high pH soils. Great potential for rain gardens. Eastern US native. 50-70' x 20-30' Zone 4

Thuja occidentalis 'Filiformis'



Thread-leaf White Cedar. A unique, semi-dwarf, thread-leaf white cedar. Weeping, dense branches. New growth is bright green. Average to wet soil. Good rain garden plant. Native to Eastern US. Species is potentially threatened in OH. Full sun to part shade. 4-8' x 4' Zone 3

Thuja occidentalis 'Little Gem'



Little Gem White Cedar. A dwarf, dense, flattened, broad-globular American arborvitae cultivar. It is very slow-growing. Dark green scale-like leaves in flat sprays may bronze in winter. Average to wet soil. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3' x 5' (in 10 years) Zone 3

Thuja occidentalis 'Technito'



Arborvitae, White Cedar. A compact dwarf form of Techny with broad cone shaped habit. Dense, dark green foliage with good winter color resistant to winter burn. Thrives in a wide variety of soils. Best in fertile soils with consistent moisture. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Sun to part shade. 6' x 4' Zone 3

Thuja plicata 'Canadian Gold'



Sunshine Giant Arborvitae. Attractive bright golden foliage year round. Broad columnar growth habit. Average to wet soils. Good for rain gardens. Fast growing tree. Western US native. Full sun to part shade. 50-70' x 15-25' Zone 5

Thuja plicata 'Filifera Nana'



Dwarf Threadleaf Western Cedar. A very unusual, dwarf form. It's upright stems end in long, thread-like branchlets. Scale-like leaves are pressed tightly to the branchlets. Forms a dense, mound with a weepy, arching habit. Average soil. Sun to part shade. 4' x 4' (in 10 years) Zone 5

Thuja plicata 'George Washington'



Western Cedar. Bright green foliage mottled with yellow creates a nice effect blowing in the wind. Columnar form.

Average to wet soil. Good rain garden plant. Native to Western US. Full sun to part shade. 15-20' x 10' Zone 5

Thuja plicata 'Nana'



Dwarf Western Cedar. Compact, true dwarf form with dense blue-green foliage. Very deer resistant. Average to wet soils. Good for rain gardens. Slow growing. Western US native. 8' x 6' in 40 years. Zone (4)5

Thuja plicata 'Virescens'



Western Cedar. Rich dark green foliage that maintains excellent winter color. Beautiful conical conifer. Average to wet soil. Good rain garden plant. Native to Western US. Full sun to part shade. 20' x 10' Zone 5

Tilia americana



Basswood. Lovely shade tree for residential areas. Fragrant yellow flowers in June. Adaptable to most soils except wet. Rope from the inner bark and flowers used to make tea. Syrup can be made from the sweet sap. Good for timber and honey production. Not tolerant of harsh urban conditions. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 80' x 40' Zone 2

Tsuga canadensis



Eastern Hemlock. Graceful fine textured evergreen. Best in moist (not wet) soil. Protect from winter wind. Look for un-sheared to lightly sheared hemlocks when buying. Tolerates shearing well after planting. OH native. Partial to full shade. 60' x 30' Zone 3b

Viburnum dentatum 'Blue Muffin'



Arrowwood Viburnum. A compact selection of a native shrub. White flower clusters in spring and dark blue fruits in late summer. Glossy medium green leaves. Great for smaller landscapes. Average soil. Good plant for rain gardens. OH native. Sun to part shade. 5-7' x 5-7' Zone 3

Viburnum dentatum 'Chicago Lustre'



Arrowwood Viburnum. White flower clusters in early summer. Dark blue fruit in fall for wildlife. Shiny dark green foliage. Upright, rounded habit. Adaptable to all but wet soils. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 10-12' x 8-10' Zone 3

Viburnum prunifolium



Blackhaw Viburnum. White flower clusters in late spring. Dark green, clean foliage turning purplish to red in fall. Edible fruits are pinkish aging to nearly black. Very adaptable. Good for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. Native to OH and eastern US. Sun to full shade. 12-15' x 8-12' Zone 3

Viburnum trilobum 'Redwing'



Cranberrybush Viburnum. Attractive red tinged new foliage. White flowers in late spring followed by persistent bright red fruit. Red fall color. Selected for its nice form and foliage color. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 8-10' x 8-10' Zone 2

Viburnum x juddii



Fragrant Viburnum. The fragrant viburnum standard. Durr recommends it as an improved V. carlesii with bacterial leaf spot resistance. Full rounded habit. Very fragrant, white flowers are 3" wide. Deep red fall color. Asia. Full sun to part shade. 6-8' x 6-8' Zone 4

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Weigela florida 'Dark Horse'

Deep pink trumpet shaped flowers in late spring. Great for hummingbirds. Dark purple foliage and a compact growth habit. Light re-bloom during the summer. Average to dry soils. Best color in full sun. 2-3' x 2-3' Zone 4

Weigela florida 'Fine Wine'

Dark burgundy foliage with small leaves create a fine texture. Excellent mounding habit. Abundant dark pink flowers in early summer. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 2' x 2' Zone 5

Weigela florida 'Midnight Wine'

Low mounding, dwarf version of 'Wine & Roses.' Dark purple foliage and deep pink flowers. Blooms May-June. Light re-blooming throughout the summer. Average to dry soil. Japan. Full sun. 12" x 12" Zone 4

Weigela florida 'Wine & Roses'

Dark purple leaves, white flecked bark. Deep rose-pink flowers in May-June. Light re-blooming throughout the summer. Best color in full sun. Average to dry soil. Japan. Full sun. 4-5' x 5' Zone 4

Weigela subsessilis 'Canary'

Pale yellow tubular flowers that don't fade. Blooms in late spring or early summer. Tough trouble free plant. Great for hummingbirds. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 3-5' x 3-5' Zone 4

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Acanthus spinosus

Bears Breeches. Tall spikes of mauve flowers make a great summer show. Glossy dark green deeply divided foliage with spiny points. Not as prickly as it looks. Bold specimen plant for sun to partial shade. Needs good drainage. Will not bloom if planted too deep. Southern Europe. 3-4' Zone 5

Achillea millefolium 'Red Beauty'

Yarrow. Large crimson red flowers in summer to fall. Finely cut ferny foliage. Yarrows are easy to grow, tough plants. Drought tolerant when established. Adaptable to most soils except wet. Full sun. OH native. 18" Zone 3

Actaea pachypoda

Dolls Eyes. White flower spikes are held above the foliage in spring. White berries (the dolls eyes) follow. Nice bushy woodland plant with compound foliage resembling Astilbe. Medicinal uses. OH native. Partial to full shade. 3' Zone 3

Actaea racemosa (Cimicifuga r.)

Black Cohosh, Snakeroot. Long white bottle brush plumes in mid to late summer. Flowers have light fragrance. Has attractive light green seed pods. Elegant, tall native for the woodland garden. Best in rich, moist soil. Medicinal uses. Best in partial shade. 5-6' OH native. Zone 3

Agastache 'Blue Fortune'

Anise Hyssop. Fragrant anise scented foliage and medium blue flower spikes from July to September. Looks great continuously with no deadheading. Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds. Tough plant that thrives in hot dry summers. Needs well-drained soil. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 5

Agastache rupestris

Sunset Hyssop. Warm rosy orange flowers all summer. Plant it near a path and enjoy the wonderful anise scented silvery foliage. Upright, somewhat shrubby. Well drained soils. Native to southwest US. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 5

Allium cernuum

Nodding Onions. This delicate onion has gently nodding pink flowers in late spring. Lovely in the garden or naturalized in a meadow. Very drought tolerant once established. Medicinal uses. Native to OH. Full sun to part shade. 10-12" Zone 3

Amorphophallus konjac

Voodoo Lily. Single large umbrella shaped leaf emerges in early summer. Petiole is mottled purple and white. Older plants bloom in early spring with a large dark purple flower with a fetid odor. Grow in moist, humus-rich, well drained soil in dappled shade. Tropical. Store dry dormant corms near 50 F.

Amsonia 'Blue Ice'

Blue Star. A fabulous new compact, long-blooming plant. Dark blue buds open to light blue flowers for 5 weeks or more of color in late spring. Dark green leaves form an attractive dense mound. Yellow fall color. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 12-15" Zone 5-9

Amsonia hubrichtii

Thread-leaf Blue Star. Upright bushy plant with fine foliage. Clusters of pale blue flowers in May-June. Excellent golden fall color. Plant in drifts for maximum 'wow' effect. Provides nice fine texture and movement with a breeze. Needs good drainage. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 5

Aquilegia canadensis

Wild Columbine. Spring blooming native has red flowers with yellow centers. Deer and rabbits rarely eat columbine. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Partial to full shade. 1-3' Zone 3

Aquilegia canadensis 'Corbett'

Gold Wild Columbine. Abundant light yellow flowers for weeks in April-May. Nice addition to the shade garden. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. Partial to full shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Aralia racemosa

American Spikenard. Stately white plumes of flowers in summer followed by black drupes which are eaten by wildlife. Compound leaves on soft-stemmed branches. Nice large spreading plant. Roots were used in 'root beer' and medicinally. OH woodland native. Good rain garden plant. Partial to full shade. 3-5' Zone 5

Arisaema dracontium

Green Dragon. An uncommon woodland native. A leaf is comprised of 7-15 oblong leaflets arranged in a horseshoe shape. The narrow spathe is about 2-3" long with a 10-12" long string-like spadix which looks like a long tail. Bright red seed cluster in the fall. OH native. Shade. 18" Zone 4

Arisaema triphyllum

Jack-in-the-Pulpit. This woodland native is a traditional harbinger of spring. Flower is a long, purple spathe surrounding a greenish-yellow spike. Dormant in summer. Bright red seed cluster in the fall. OH native. Partial to full shade. 2' Zone 4

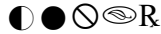
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Aruncus dioicus



Goat's Beard. Large, creamy white, feathery plumes in early summer. A great source of nectar for insects. A large, fine textured native. Best in moist site with morning sun and afternoon shade. Good selection for rain gardens. OH native. 4-6' Zone 5

Asarum canadensis



Wild Ginger. Heart shaped green leaves with hidden purplish-brown flowers in spring. Attractive shade garden ground cover. Average to moist soil. Medicinal uses. OH native 4-6" Partial to full shade. Zone 4

Asarum europaeum



European Wild Ginger. Dark, glossy green heart shaped leaves. Evergreen. Beautiful, easy to grow groundcover for shade. Not favored by deer or rabbits. Slow growing. 4-6" Partial-full shade. Zone 4

Asclepias incarnate



Swamp Milkweed. Narrow willow like leaves. Pink upturned flower clusters in mid-summer. Butterfly magnet! Host for Monarch Butterfly caterpillars. Nice orange fall color. Average to wet soil. Excellent rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-5' Zone 3

Asclepias tuberosa



Butterfly weed, Pleurisy Root. Bright orange flowers in June-July. Host for Monarch Butterfly caterpillars. Thrives in dry poor soils. Must have good drainage. Medicinal uses. OH native. 18-24" Full sun. Zone 3

Asclepias verticillata



Horsetail Milkweed. Fragrant white flowers in mid-summer. Needle like leaves turn to yellow and orange in the fall. Decorative seedpods. Host for Monarch Butterfly caterpillars. Average to dry soil. OH native. Full sun to part shade 1-2' Zone 4

Aster cordifolius 'Avondale'



Symphyotrichum cordifolium

Blue Wood Aster. A prolific bloomer in early fall. Light blue flowers carpet the woodland garden. A good naturalizer. Average to dry soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Partial to full shade. 2-3' Zone 3

Aster ericoides 'Snow Flurry'



Symphyotrichum ericoides

Heath Aster. A fabulous dense groundcover covered with white flowers with gold centers for weeks in the fall. A great compact form of a native aster. Average to dry soil. OH native. Full sun-part shade. 6-8" Zone 5

Aster laevis 'Blue Bird'



Symphyotrichum laevis

Smooth Aster. Clusters of single violet-blue flowers with golden yellow centers in fall. Strong stems in full sun with clean foliage. Tolerant of wide variety of soils and moisture levels. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun-part shade. 3-4'. Zone 4

Aster linariifolius



Ionactis linariifolius

Stiff Aster. Lavender flowers with gold centers from late Aug. well into Oct. A wonderful rock garden plant with fine textured foliage. An aster that rabbits don't like! Average to dry soil. OH native. Full sun. 12-15" Zone 4

Aster novae-angliae 'Purple Dome'



Symphyotrichum novae-angliae

New England Aster. A nice compact form loaded with dark purple flowers in late summer into fall. Great mixed with goldenrods. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 18" Zone 3

Aster novae-angliae 'Septemberrubin'



Symphyotrichum novae-angliae

New England Aster. Deep ruby-red flowers in fall. Great for cut flowers. Can be pinched back in early summer to create a more compact, bushy shape. Average to moist, well drained soil. Great for rain gardens. OH native. 3-4' x 2' Full sun to part shade. Zone 3

Aster oblongifolius 'Dream of Beauty'



Symphyotrichum oblongifolium

Aromatic Aster. This aster has an amazing fall display of sugar-pink flowers with burnt orange centers. Vigorous, low-spreading habit is great in the front of the border creating a dense carpet of flowers and foliage. Grows in a wide range of soil types, including clay. Threatened species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 12" x 24" Zone 5

Aster oblongifolius 'October Skies'



Symphyotrichum oblongifolium

Aromatic Aster. Shorter, bushier, bluer sister of 'Raydon's Favorite'. A strong growing low mound of bushy foliage covered in lavender blue flowers in mid fall. Foliage is aromatic when handled. Highly tolerant of drought and poor soils. Excellent ground cover. Threatened species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 15-18" Zone 5

Aster oblongifolius 'Raydon's Favorite'



Symphyotrichum oblongifolium

Aromatic Aster. Blue, fine textured single ray flowers in Sept. and Oct. A great plant with aromatic foliage. Very long blooming. Found on calcareous hillsides and cliffs. Threatened species in OH. Well drained soil. Can be used on the sides in rain gardens. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 3

Aster umbellatus



Doellingeria umbellata

Flat-topped Aster. Prolific white flowering aster in late summer. Blooms for up to 2 months. An excellent host plant for many species. Average to wet soil. Great for rain gardens. Cut back in late spring to control height. OH native. 3-5' Full sun to part shade. Zone 3

Baptisia australis



False Blue Indigo. Beautiful native with blue spikes of flowers in May and June. Medium green compound foliage. Attractive seed pods. Native to open woods and river banks. Great rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. Endangered species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 3-6' Zone 4

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Baptisia lactea (B. leucantha)



White False Indigo. Tall spikes of white flowers tower above attractive foliage in summer. Matures slowly to form a nice specimen plant. Interesting seed pods. Potentially threatened species in OH. Well drained soil. Full sun. 3-5' Zone 4

Callirhoe involucrata



Wine Cups. Outstanding low growing native with deeply dissected dark green foliage. Bright magenta single flowers from July to September. A great groundcover and for draping over stone walls. Medicinal uses. Needs full sun and good drainage. 6-8" Zone 4

Caltha palustris



Marsh Marigold. Numerous 1" bright yellow flowers in spring. Attractive waxy round foliage. Found in wet meadows and along streams. Will seed in and form nice clumps. We find it tolerant of drier conditions than expected. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 1-2' Zone 5

Camassia scilloides



Wild Hyacinth, Eastern Hyacinth. Less showy than its Western cousins, our Eastern Hyacinth has its own charms. Grass-like foliage appears in spring followed by loose spikes of light blue flowers. Lovely in drifts. Goes dormant soon after blooming. Found in moist meadows and open woods. OH native. Sun to part shade. 12-16" Zone 3

Campanula rotundifolia



Harebell. Upright flower buds become pendulous blue, bell-shaped flowers. Blooms from summer to fall. It overwinters as a small rosette of round leaves. In spring it sends up narrow leaves and wiry flower stems. Dry to moist soil. Threatened species in OH. Sun to light shade. 8-12" Zone 3

Cassia hebecarpa



Wild Senna. Showy yellow flower clusters in mid-summer above lush compound foliage. Interesting seed pods. A robust native for full sun and medium to moist soil. Medicinal uses. Full sun. OH native. 4-6' Zone 4

Caulophyllum thalictroides



Blue Cohosh. A woodland native well known for its medicinal value. Foliage has a blue sheen, especially in the spring. Insignificant yellowish green flowers in spring are followed by 2 beautiful metallic blue fruits in late summer. Best in rich, moist soil. OH native. Shade 12-18" Zone 3

Chamaecyparissus var. nana



Gray Santolina. Compact plant with silver gray foliage. Yellow button flowers. Often used in herb and knot gardens. Dry, well drained soil. Full sun. 12" Zone 5/6

Chelone glabra



Turtlehead. White turtlehead (big snapdragon) shaped flowers in August and September. Great back of the border plant and a hummingbird favorite. Moist to average location. Good selection for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native Full sun to part shade. 2-4' Zone 5

Chelone lyonii 'Hot Lips'



Pink Turtlehead. Rose pink turtle head shaped flowers in August and September top lustrous deep green foliage. Bronze green early in season and red stems for most of the season. Moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Full sun to part shade. US native 2-3' Zone 4

Collinsonia canadensis



Stoneroot, Citronella, Richweed. Spikes of yellow flowers that smell like citronella appear above the foliage in late summer. Attractive but not showy. Typically found in moist woods. Medicinal uses. OH native. Partial shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Coreopsis lanceolata 'Walter'



Lanceleaf Coreopsis Walter. Golden yellow flowers with burgundy eye bloom over clean dark green strappy foliage. An outstanding dwarf that blooms profusely for 6-8 weeks. Compact, upright habit. Great for birds and butterflies. Average to dry soil. Cultivar of OH native. Full sun. 12-16" Zone 5

Coreopsis palmata



Plains Coreopsis. A native clump forming prairie plant with bright golden flowers in mid-summer. Great for birds and butterflies. Good rain garden plant. Full sun, well drained soil. US native. 2-3' Zone 5

Coreopsis tripteris



Tall Coreopsis. Tall, strong stems with whorled leaves create a bamboo effect. A plethora of 2" yellow flowers in July-September. Excellent for birds and butterflies. OH native. Full sun. 6-8' Zone 5

Coreopsis verticillata 'Zagreb'



Threadleaf Coreopsis. Clear yellow flowers on compact plants in summer. Late to emerge in spring. More reliable than 'Moonbeam.' Found in dry woods and clearings. Good for rain gardens with good drainage. An Eastern US native. Full sun to part shade. 15" Zone 4

Delphinium exaltatum



Blue Delphinium. Spikes of blue spurred flowers top 3-6' stems from July to September. Perfect for woodland edges. Best in average to rich soils but tolerates drought once established. Eastern US native. Potentially threatened species in OH. Partial shade. 3-6' Zone 5

Dianthus gratianopolitanus 'Firewitch'



Clove Pinks. Deep pink flowers for weeks in early summer. Dead-head for rebloom. Nice blue-green foliage. Great plant for sunny, dry locations. Perennial Plant Association 2006 Plant of the Year. 6-8" Zone 5

Dianthus x allwoodii 'Frosty Fire'



Allwood Pinks. Double true red flowers above blue grey foliage through most of the summer. Excellent ground cover for hot dry locations. Deadhead to extend blooming. Average to dry soil. Full sun. 6-8" Zone 4

Dicentra canadensis



Squirrel Corn. White flowers above finely dissected blue-grey foliage in early spring. Morning sun will result in more flowers. Best in rich, moist soil. Blooms a week later than Dutchman's Breeches. Goes summer dormant. OH native. 6-8" Partial to full shade. Zone 3

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Dicentra cucullaria



Dutchman's Breeches. Creamy white flowers above finely dissected blue-green foliage in early spring. Morning sun will result in more flowers. Best in rich, moist soil. Blooms a week earlier than Squirrel Corn. Goes summer dormant. OH native. 4-6" Partial to full shade. Zone 3

Dicentra spectabilis



Old Fashioned Bleeding Heart. Arching stems of large, pink hearts in spring. May rebloom if deadheaded. The foliage is often dormant in hot summers. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Japan. 2' Zone 4

Dicentra spectabilis 'Alba'



White Bleeding Heart. Arching stems of large, white heart shaped flowers in spring. May rebloom if deadheaded. Often dormant in hot summers. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Partial to full shade. 2' Zone 4

Dracunculus vulgaris



Dragon Arum. Huge malodorous flower in early summer. Up to 3' long. Flower is green outside and maroon inside with shiny, black spathe. Attractive large single horseshoe shaped leaf with 11-15 segments. Petiole is mottled with purple and white. Exotic Mediterranean plant. Mulch heavily or store corms inside for winter. Well drained soil. Full sun to part shade.

Echinacea purpurea 'Rubinstern'



Purple Coneflower. Huge, fragrant, deep purple-pink, flat-topped flowers. An improved 'Magnus' from Jelitto. Good cut flowers. Medicinal uses. Average soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 4

Epimedium 'Amber Queen'



Barrenwort. Large yellow flowers turn orange as they mature. Flowers are held well above the bronze marked foliage. Great clump forming perennial for under trees where other plants fail to perform. Average to dry soil. Part to full shade. 14" Zone 4

Eryngium yuccifolium



Rattlesnake Master. Yucca-like foliage with unique spiky white flowers in mid-summer. An excellent specimen plant or in groups of three. Does best in medium to dry soils. Medicinal uses. Potentially threatened species in OH. Full sun. 3-4' Zone 5

Eupatorium coelestinum



Conoclinium coelestinum

Hardy Ageratum, Mist Flower. Flat topped clusters of light blue flowers in summer. Spreads readily by rhizomes and seed making it a good choice for meadows and large naturalized areas. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Full sun to light shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Eupatorium hyssopifolium



Hyssop Leaved Thoroughwort. Attractive white flat topped flower clusters in late summer. Fine foliage provides nice texture. Average to dry soil. Drought tolerant. Medicinal uses. Endangered species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 4

Eupatorium m. 'Bartered Bride'



Eupatoriadelphus maculatus var. *maculatus*

White Joe Pye Weed. A big bold Joe Pye with stunning pure

white flowers in late summer. Plants form large dramatic clumps. Butterfly magnet. Average to moist soil. Great for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 6-8' Zone 4

Eupatorium maculatum 'Red Dwarf'



Eupatoriadelphus maculatus var. *maculatus*

Red Dwarf Joe Pye Weed. A nice compact form that is great for smaller gardens. Reddish-purple flowers in mid-summer are great nectar source for butterflies. Average to moist soils. Good for rain gardens. Cultivar of an Ohio native. Full sun to part shade. 32" Zone 4

Eupatorium purpureum



Purple Joe Pye Weed. Large purple flower clusters in mid-late summer. Plants form large dramatic clumps. Butterflies love them! Crushed foliage has a vanilla fragrance. Average to moist soil. Great for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' Zone 3

Eupatorium pur. subsp. M. 'Gateway'



Eupatoriadelphus maculatus var. *maculatus*

Joe Pye Weed. Large bright pink flower clusters in mid-late summer. Deep wine-red stems. Plants form large dramatic clumps. Butterflies love them! Average to moist soil. Great for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' Zone 4

Filipendula rubra



Queen of the Prairie. Spectacular pink plumes in early summer make this a showstopper! Best in rich, moist soil does well in good garden soil. Good rain garden plant. Tolerates wet soil. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun. 4-5' Zone 4

Galearis spectabilis (Orchis spectabilis)



Showy Orchid. A native woodland orchid with pink and white flowers in late spring. Nice glossy dark green foliage. Usually found in beech and maple woods with rich, moist soils over limestone. OH native. Part shade. 6-12" Zone 4

Gentiana clausa



Closed Gentian. Brilliant blue flowers in the fall. Flowers never full open. Bees push the flowers open and crawl inside. Flower tips turn from white to purple after pollination. Clean glossy foliage. Best in moist rich soil. Tolerates full sun with consistent moisture. Average to moist soil in the shade. Good rain garden plant. OH native. 15" Zone 3

Geranium maculatum



Cranesbill. Our native woodland geranium has lavender flowers in mid-spring to early summer. It grows well in just about any soil. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Shade. 12-18" Zone 4

Geranium x 'Dilys'



Hardy Geranium. Dark pink flowers from early summer to frost on finely cut foliage. A strong carefree grower. Good groundcover and for cascading over rock walls. Average to dry soil. Full sun to part shade. 10-12" Zone 5

Geranium x 'Rozanne'



Hardy Geranium. Stunning large blue flowers all summer and into fall. Dark green foliage marbled with chartreuse. Perennial Plant Association 2008 Perennial Plant of the Year. Average soil. Full sun to part shade. 2' x 2 1/2' Zone 5

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Geum triflorum



Prairie Smoke. Nodding pink flowers followed by feathery pink seed heads that dance in the breeze. Spreading rootstocks form a groundcover. Average to poor dry soils. Medicinal uses. US native. Sun to afternoon shade. 12-15" Zone 3

Gillenia trifoliata



Bowmans Root. Bright white flowers with red petioles and mahogany stems. Compact, interesting form. Average to moist soil. Medicinal uses. Potentially threatened species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Goniolimon collinum 'Sea Spray'



Sea Lavenders Statice. Lovely grayish-green basal foliage with sturdy sprays of tiny star-shaped white flowers in mid-summer. Good for cut flowers. A tidy clump forming plant that works well in containers and rock gardens. Well drained soil. Full sun. 20" Zone 5

Goodyera pubescens



Rattlesnake Plantain. Lovely small native woodland orchid with subtle charms. Silvery veined basal foliage and interesting spikes of small white flowers. Rich moist woodland soil. OH native. Shade. 12" Zone 4

Helianthus angustifolius 'Gold Lace'



Narrow-leaved Sunflower. A traffic stopping display of golden flowers in late Sept. and Oct. Deep green, fine textured foliage throughout the season. Cut back in early summer to increase branching and reduce height. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Eastern US native. Sun. 5-6' Zone 5

Helianthus microcephalus



Small-headed Sunflower. Clear yellow large flowers in late summer with fine textured leaves. Attracts butterflies. Average soil. Quite drought tolerant. Good choice for rain gardens. OH native. Sun or shade. 5-6' Zone 4

Helianthus mollis



Downy Sunflower. Beautiful 3" yellow flowers in late summer above downy gray-green foliage. A goldfinch favorite. Well drained soil. Full sun. Threatened species in OH. 4' Zone 4

Helianthus tuberosus



Jerusalem Artichokes. Bright yellow flowers in late summer with a chocolate scent. Grown for their edible tubers which can be eaten raw or cooked. Very sweet raw. Harvest in fall or as needed. At harvest the starch in the tubers is inulin which is good for diabetics. Average to moist soil. Spreads aggressively. OH native. Full sun. 4-6' Zone 3

Heliopsis helianthoides 'Asahi'



False Sunflower. Golden double flowers in mid-summer. Great for cut flowers. Tolerates drought and poor soil. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 4

Heliopsis helianthoides 'Summer Nights'



False Sunflower. A stunning selection of a native sunflower. Mahogany centers in deep yellow flowers for weeks in mid-summer. Red tinged foliage and dark red stems. Thrives in poor dry soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 4

Helleborus o. 'Ashwood Gardens Hybrids'



Ashwood Garden Lenten Rose. These hybrids have an amazing flower color range; shades of pink, green, yellow, white, apricot, red, blue and black! Bloom early spring. Semi-evergreen ground cover with glossy dark green foliage. Best in moist, well drained soil. Tolerates a wide range of soils and light. Part to full shade. 12-18" Zone 4

Hepatica acutiloba



Sharp-lobed Liverleaf. Great native plant for moist, shady areas. Flowers vary from white to light blue and occasionally pink. Flowering occurs in very early spring and may last 2-3 weeks. Leaves have 3 sharp pointed lobes. OH native. 8" Zone 3

Heuchera americana



Common Alumroot. A native woodland plant grown primarily for its variable foliage. The 3-4" dark green leaves have irregular patches of red along the veins. Creamy white flower spikes appear in early summer. Best in rich moist soil and partial shade. OH native. 1-2' Zone 3

Hibiscus moscheutos



Common Rose Mallow. This native hardy hibiscus is one of the parents of many of the hybrid hibiscus. Rose-pink to white 3-4" flowers with a dark eye in late summer. This is the most common rose mallow found over most of the eastern half of the US. Average to wet soils. Great for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. 3-7' Zone 5

Hibiscus x 'Blue River II'



Large pure white flowers in mid-late summer. Deep green foliage with a bit of a blue cast. Average to wet soils. Great for rain gardens. Sun to part shade. 4-5' Zone 5

Hibiscus x 'Kopper King'



Large creamy white flowers with bright red eyes. Copper-red leaves. Foliage color and flower count best in full sun with consistent moisture. Average to wet soils. Good rain garden plant. Full sun. 3-4' Zone 4

Hibiscus x 'Lord Baltimore'



Enormous crimson red flowers in mid to late summer. Deeply cut foliage. Average to wet soils. Good selection for rain gardens. Full sun to part shade. 4-6' Zone 4

Hibiscus x 'Moy Grande'



Huge rose red flowers in mid to late summer. Clean foliage is resistant to insect damage. Average to wet soils. Good rain garden plant. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 4

Hibiscus x 'Robert Fleming'



Dark purple buds open into large deep velvety red flowers on dense compact plants. Blooms mid to late summer. The best dark red hibiscus we have seen. Does well in containers. Average to moist soils. Excellent rain garden plant. Full sun to part shade. Deer resistant. Attracts hummingbirds. 36" Zone 5

Hibiscus x 'Royal Gems'



Large brilliant pink flowers in mid to late summer. Compact plant with deep purple leaves in the sun. Short well branched. Average to wet soil. Rain gardens. Sun. 36" Zone 5

PERENNIALS

Hosta 'Big Daddy'



Huge 15" very blue grey leaves with deep texturing. Great for background structure. White flowers in mid-late summer. Average soil. Fairly sunny to full shade. 2' x 2' (4' in bloom) Zone 3

Hosta 'Blue Wedgewood'



An erect, medium hosta to 14" tall featuring a mound of wedge-shaped, cupped, heavily searsuckered, blue-green leaves and racemes of bell-shaped, pale lavender flowers on 16" scapes. A dependable and versatile perennial requiring little care. Average soil. Fast grower. Part to full shade. 12-18" x 24-30" Zone 3

Hosta 'Ginko Craig'



Features a low mound of narrow, medium green leaves edged with pure white, with racemes of orchid-like, purple striped flowers on 18" scapes. Grown primarily for its beautiful foliage which provides color, contrast and texture to the landscape. Average soil. Part to full shade. 6" x 8-12" Zone 3

Hosta 'Golden Tiara'



A beautiful small Hosta with thin heart shaped leaves with gold leaf margins. Grows very quickly and produces dusky lavender flowers on 24 - 34 inch scapes. May rebloom if deadheaded. Provides bright color in shade with wonderful foliage. Average soil. Part to full shade. 12" x 24-36" Zone 3

Hosta 'Guacamole'



A profusion of shiny, avocado green foliage with darker green margins forms large, dense clumps. Best in partial shade, where the sun can brighten the richly veined leaf centers. In late summer 3-foot-tall flower stalks emerge, sporting a plethora of sweetly fragrant, lilylike white blooms. Average soil. 1-3' x 1-3' Zone 3

Hosta 'Hush Puppies'



Small, heart-shaped gray-green leaves with a creamy-white margin. Size and rapid growth rate make it suitable for edging the border or growing in a container. Clump is topped with dark lavender flowers in early summer. Average soil. Partial to full shade. 6-12" x 6-12" Zone 3

Hosta 'Patriot'



Dark green leaves with a broad, wavy margin of pure white, creates an especially strong and highly visible contrast. It quite literally brings light to shade. Lavender flowers on 26-30" scapes. Average soil. Partial to full shade. 15-20" x 24" Zone 3

Hydrastis canadensis



Golden Seal. An increasingly rare woodland wildflower. The yellow rhizomes are coveted for medicinal uses. Attractive foliage, ephemeral flowers, and bright red seeds. Best in rich moist soil. Nursery propagated plants. OH native. Shade. 10-15" Zone 4

Hypoxis hirsute



Yellow Star Grass. Bright yellow flowers for most of the summer. Small but cute wildflower that will spread by corms and self seeding to form a nice colony over time. Narrow grass-like foliage. Moist to dry soils. Tolerates drought by going partially dormant. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-6" Zone 3

Iris brevicaulis



Leafy Blue Flag, Zigzag Iris. Deep blue flowers with yellow and white crests. Narrow arching leaves. The flowers are produced on zigzag stems amongst the leaves. Moist to wet soil. They are the last of the water irises to bloom. Spreads by creeping rhizomes. Threatened species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 2' Zone 4

Iris cristata



Dwarf Crested Iris. Beautiful blue flowers in late spring. Good ground cover for naturalizing in the shade. Average to moist soils. OH native. Partial shade. 6-8" Zone 5

Iris cristata 'Tennessee White'



White Dwarf Crested Iris. Brilliant white flowers in spring with delicate yellow crests. Begins blooming earlier and lasts longer than other selections. Vigorous spreader and prolific bloomer. Average to moist soil OH native. Shade. 6" Zone 5

Iris setosa



Beachhead Iris. Upright leaves form a tight fan topped with pretty violet blue flowers in late spring. Lovely compact plant for moist areas and rain gardens. U. S. native found in moist coastal sites; Newfoundland to Quebec, Maine, west to Alaska and Aleutians. Full sun to part shade. 12-15" Zone 3

Iris versicolor



Blue Flag Iris. Loads of blue-violet flowers in May-June. Attractive sword-like foliage all summer. Hummingbirds love it! Average to wet soils. Excellent for rain gardens. Cut back in fall. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 2

Louisiana Iris.



The Louisiana Irises are made up of a group of five southern US species. These have been hybridized extensively. Native to marshes in the south but hardy in the north. Cut back in fall. Average to wet soil. Good rain garden plant. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Iris x 'Anne Chowning'

Deep velvety red flowers in mid-summer.

Iris x 'Arcadian Mist'

Pure white flowers in mid-summer.

Iris x 'Black Gamecock'

Velvety dark purple flowers in mid-summer.

Isotoma fluviatilis



Blue Star Creeper. Light blue star-shaped flowers for most of the summer. An easy to grow groundcover that forms dense mats of foliage. Tolerates foot traffic. Average to dry soil. Slow to leaf out in spring. Sun to part shade. 1-3" Zone 5

Jeffersonia diphylla



Twinleaf. White flowers in very early spring. Small identical twin leaves slowly enlarge after blooming to 5" across. Interesting seed capsules. A great woodland groundcover for the alkaline soils of Central OH. Moist not wet soils. Medicinal uses. OH native. 12" Partial shade. Zone 4

PERENNIALS

Itoh or Intersectional Peonies



Itoh Peonies are derived from crosses between herbaceous and tree peonies, the culmination of over 25 years of work. They have the large, 8-10" wide, gorgeous flowers of a tree peony on an easy care herbaceous plant. They thrive in the same conditions as herbaceous peonies which are sunny well drained sites.

When originally introduced 10 years ago Itoh peonies were selling for \$1000 a piece! Now that they are becoming more available the price has come down considerably but they are still quite extraordinary plants. See pictures of all our varieties on our web site. Zone 3

Paeonia x 'Bartzella'

A vigorous plant with an abundance of semi-double to double lemon yellow blooms and small red flares that just glow in the afternoon sun. The large, well-formed blossoms carried high above the lush green foliage also make good cut flowers. With a lemony fragrance, this is a perennial favorite. 36" x 40"

Paeonia x 'Cora Louise'

Large, white semi-double blooms with deep lavender to purple flares are reminiscent of Paeonia rockii. Strong stems hold the bloom above the dark green foliage. Along with a pleasant fragrance, this is an appealing flower for the garden or the vase. 30" x 42"

Paeonia x 'Julia Rose'

Single to semi-double blooms which open cherry red on to orange and later yellow as the flowers mature. The result is an attractive mix of variously colored blooms on one plant. Very vigorous and floriferous. 30" x 36"

Paeonia x 'Going Bananas'

These are huge, light yellow, single flowers with some red flaring. This is an excellent garden plant with a more compact growth habit. Lightly fragrant. 24" x 24"

Paeonia x 'Sequestered Sunshine'

Single to semi-double sulphur yellow flowers with red tipped carpels and red flares are held well above the dark green foliage. Vigorous and floriferous, the long stems also make good cut flowers. 36-42"

Paeonia x 'Singing in the Rain'

Semi-double flowers are yellow but heavily flushed and suffused with pink when they first open. From a distance newly opened flowers appear light orange and they truly sing in the rain. Multicoloured blooms on a floriferous plant with many side buds, this is one of our favorites. 36" x 36"

Paeonia x 'Magical Mystery Tour'

Gorgeous, semi-double to double flowers are a cream & pink blend that is very pink when they first open, but fades to a beautiful creamy white with a lavender pink picotee after several days in the bright sun. 36" x 36"

Paeonia x 'Yankee Doodle Dandy'

Semi-double to double blooms are a deep pink with cream undertones that fade slightly as the flowers mature. The attractive center of the flower contains a tight circle of stamens. This is a vigorous grower. 36" x 36"

Panax quinquefolius



American Ginseng. White flowers in late spring are followed by bright red fruit. A single whorl of 3 divided leaflets. A much sought after plant for the medicinal quality of the roots. Best in heavy shade with rich, moist, well drained, acid soil. Nursery propagated plants. OH native. 12-24" Zone 3

Pardencanda 'Dazzler Series'



Candy Lily. Extra large flowers in vibrant shades of red, purple, orange and yellow in mid-summer. Iris like foliage. This dazzling strain of orchid iris is the result of 15 years of breeding. Average to dry soil. Sun. 15-18" Zone 5

Parthenium integrifolium



Wild Quinine. A fabulous native for the garden! Pure white flowers in early to mid-summer. Very long bloom time plus lush attractive foliage. Best in rich, well drained soil. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 2-4' Zone 4

Penstemon calycosus



Long Sepaled Beardtongue. Lovely inflorescences of lavender flowers with white throats in early summer for 3-4 weeks. Nectar source for long-tongued bees, hummingbirds and sphinx moths. Top dies back after flowering. Basal foliage persists year round. Average to moist soil. 1-3' Full sun. Zone 5

Penstemon digitalis



Foxglove Beardtongue. Tubular white flowers on 2-3' stems over attractive dark green foliage in early summer. Native to moist prairie habitats. Good for rain gardens. Full sun. OH native. 2-3' Zone 4

Penstemon hirsutus 'Pygmaeus'



Dwarf Beardtongue. Heavy flowering dwarf Penstemon for the front of the border or rock gardens. Long bloom time with lavender flowers. Dead heading extends bloom time. Found in upland woods, dry or sandy meadows. Average to dry soil. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 6" x 9" Zone 5

Phlox divaricata 'Manita'



Woodland Phlox. A beautiful spring ephemeral for the shade garden. Manita has large almost white flowers with an indigo eye in spring. May go summer dormant. Average to moist soil. OH woodland native. Attracts butterflies. Part shade to shade. 10-12" Zone 4

Phlox divaricata 'May Breeze'



Wild Sweet William. A fragrant, compact pale blue wild sweet William for shade. Very long bloom time. Average soil. May go summer dormant. OH native. Partial shade. 8-10" Zone 4

Phlox glaberrima 'Morris Berd'



Smooth Phlox. Pink flowers with a white center in spring. Cut back after flowering for rebloom. A great native Phlox for moist soils. Excellent for rain gardens. Good disease resistance. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 1' Zone 4

Phlox glaberrima 'Triple Play'



Smooth Phlox. A stunning variegated form with creamy white edges with hints of pink in the spring and fall. Pink flowers in late spring to early summer. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. Cultivar of OH native. Full sun to part shade. 12" Zone 5

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Phlox maculata



Meadow Phlox, Wild Sweet William. Many fragrant pink flowers in early summer. Strong upright growth habit with dark green leaves and red spots on the stems. Will form a colony over time. Best in full sun and moist soil. OH native. 2-3' Zone 3

Phlox paniculata 'Blue Paradise'



Tall Garden Phlox. Beautiful violet blue flowers with a magenta center. Often appear blue in the morning and dark pink in the afternoon. Best in full sun with good air circulation. Mildew resistant. Average soil. OH native. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 4

Phlox paniculata 'David'



Tall Garden Phlox. Bright white fragrant flowers in mid-summer. Highly mildew resistant. Average to rich soils. Best in full sun with good air circulation. PPA 2002 Perennial Plant of the Year. OH native. 3-4' Zone 4

Phlox paniculata 'Red Riding Hood'



Tall Garden Phlox. A compact summer Phlox with dark green foliage adorned with bright shiny red flowers. Best in moist to average soil. Found in fertile bottom lands and meadows. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Sun to part shade. Attracts butterflies. Good cut flower. 18" Zone 3

Phlox pilosa



Prairie Phlox. Pink flowers in late spring to early summer. Spreads by runners to form a colony. Average to moist soils. Found in prairies and open woods. Great for birds and butterflies. OH native. Full sun to light shade. Zone 4

Phlox stolonifera 'Sherwood Purple'



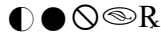
Creeping Phlox. Clear purple flowers in spring. Creeping habit will form a nice dense groundcover in the shade garden. Perennial Plant Association 1990 Perennial Plant of the Year. Average to moist soil. OH native. Partial to full shade. 6-10" Zone 2

Phlox x 'Minnie Pearl'



Pure white flowers dazzle in early summer. Slow spreading groundcover with glossy green leaves. Mildew resistant foliage. Tolerates heat and humidity. Average to dry soil. A naturally occurring hybrid of *P. glaberrima* and *P. maculata*. Both parents are OH natives. Sun to part shade. Attracts butterflies. 12-18" Zone 5

Podophyllum peltatum



May Apple. One large lobed leaf hides creamy nodding flowers. Yellow fruit. This native thrives in partial to heavy shade. Average to moist soil. Goes dormant early. Medicinal uses. OH native. 18" Zone 4

Polemonium reptans



Jacob's Ladder. An easy to grow woodland native with attractive foliage all season. Lovely blue flowers in the spring. Attractive white fruit in the fall. Slow spreading. Best in rich moist soil. Good for rain gardens. 8-18" OH native. Partial to full shade. Zone 2

Polygonatum biflorum



Solomon's Seal. Lovely arching stems with pendulous white flowers in spring. Native to moist woodlands. Good for rain gardens. Will form colonies if well sited. OH native. Partial to full shade. 18" Zone 3

Polygonatum commutatum



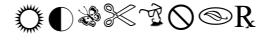
Great Solomon's Seal. The largest native Solomon's Seal with pendulous white flowers in early summer. Best in an organic, moist, woodland soil. Good rain garden plant. OH native. Shade. 48" Zone 3

Polygonatum multiflorum 'Variegatum'



Variegated Solomon's Seal. Lovely arching foliage with narrow white margins brightens up a shady area. White pendulous flowers in early summer. Average to moist soil. Shade. 2' Zone 3

Pycnanthemum muticum



Short-toothed Mountain Mint. Very showy, velvety, silvery bracts. Flowers are pinkish. Fragrant foliage. Compact habit. Meadows and moist woods. Good for rain gardens. Native to wood's edge. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Pycnanthemum tenuifolium



Narrow-leaved Mountain Mint. A fine textured native with plenty of flowers and nectar for wildlife. Leaves have a spicy fragrance. Small white flowers at the tops of the plant boom from spring well into summer. Not as aggressive as other mints. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. 1-3' Full sun to part shade. Zone 5

Ratibida pinnata



Prairie Coneflower. Reflexed yellow petals surround brown cones in mid-summer. Easy to grow in most situations and is great for birds and butterflies. Combines well with meadow grasses and flowers. Good choice for rain gardens. OH native. 3-5' Zone 3

Rhexia virginica



Virginia Meadow Beauty. Bright clusters of rose pink flowers with yellow stamens for most of the summer. Scarlet foliage in fall. Plants form potato-like tubers and move around a bit from year to year. Moist to wet soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. 8-16" Full sun to part shade. Zone 3

Rudbeckia fulgida var. fulgida



Brown Eyed Susan. Abundant yellow flowers from mid-summer to late fall, much longer flowering than *R. Goldsturm*. Deep green foliage. Average to dry soil. Well drained soil in winter a must. Full sun to part shade. OH native. 24-30" Zone 5

Rudbeckia laciniata



Green-headed Coneflower. A tall native with showy yellow flowers in mid to late summer. Attractive deeply cut foliage. Average to moist soils. Great for rain gardens. Full sun to part shade. OH native. 5-8' Zone 5

Rudbeckia maxima



Dumbo's Ears. Incredible wildflower! Tall branching stems loaded with yellow coneflowers in summer. Huge, powder blue basal foliage looks great from spring-fall. Great specimen plant. Will thrive in average to dry garden conditions. Goldfinch magnet! Southern US native. Full sun. 6-7' Zone 5

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Rudbeckia subtomentosa



Sweet Coneflower. A taller Black Eyed Susan with abundant yellow flowers that last for weeks in mid-late summer. Pinch in late spring for shorter plants. Average to wet soil. Good choice for rain gardens. Midwest native. 3-6' Full sun. Zone 3

Rudbeckia subtomentosa 'Henry Eilers'



Sweet Coneflower. Flowers with finely quilled yellow petals with brown cones blanket these strong upright plants in late summer. Good cut flower with fragrant foliage. Pinch back for shorter plants. Average to wet soil. Excellent rain garden plant. Midwest native. Full sun to part shade. 3-5' Zone 5

Ruellia humilis



Wild Petunia. Lavender petunia-like flowers all summer long. A drought tolerant native of the Eastern US. Dry to average soil. Good for full sun and partial shade. OH native. 2' Zone 4

Sanguinaria canadensis



Bloodroot. Beautiful white flowers with yellow centers in early spring. Flowers remain closed on cloudy days. Attractive lobed foliage persists until mid to late summer. Average to moist soil. OH woodland native. Partial shade. 6-8" Zone 3

Sedum ternatum



Wild Stonecrop. A shade tolerant native sedum found in woods, mossy rocks and ledges. Evergreen whorled foliage with star shaped white flowers in late spring. Great for rock gardens, containers and green roofs with some shade. Average to moist soil. OH native. 6" Zone 3

Sempervivum 'Silverine'



Hens & Chicks. Sharply pointed, silvery green leaves flushed with reddish-purple at the base. Unique deep pink flowers are held aloft on short, leafy stalks in midsummer. A fun, easy to grow plant. Great for rock walls and dry sunny locations. "Chicks" (young plants) form around the flowering rosettes "hens." Full sun. Zone 3

Senecio aureus



Heart-leaved Groundsel, Golden Ragwort. Golden daisy-like flowers above deep shiny green basal foliage in May. A strong ground cover for moist woodland areas. Will spread readily when well sited. A good plant for rain gardens. OH native. Sun to shade. 12" Zone 4

Silene regia



Royal Catchfly. Bright red flowers for many weeks in mid to late summer. Rare and spectacular. Attracts hummingbirds. Foliage not it's best feature. Mix with other plants so you can enjoy the flowers. Well-drained soils. Threatened species in OH. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 4

Silene virginica



Fire Pink. Bright red flowers above dark green foliage. Will take full sun in cooler regions but afternoon shade or wood's edge is better in warmer areas. Short-lived but seeds freely. Great for hummingbirds and butterflies. Well-drained soils. OH native. 12-18" Zone 4

Silphium laciniatum



Compass Plant. Deeply dissected leaves tend to orient themselves in a north-south direction. At maturity may have up to 100 large yellow flowers on an 8' stalk. Does well in poor

soils and clay. Great for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. Full sun. Endangered species in OH. 6-8' Zone 4

Silphium perfoliatum



Cup Plant. Large prairie native attracting birds and butterflies. Huge leaves form a "cup" around the square stem. Dozens of large bright yellow flowers in late summer. Moist to average soils. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. Full sun. OH native. 8-10' Zone 4

Silphium trifoliatum



Rosin-weed. Dozens of 1-2" yellow flowers from mid-summer to fall. Purplish stems with lance-shaped leaves. Very tough and adaptable. Good rain garden plant. Full sun to part shade. OH native. 5-7' Zone 5

Silphium terebinthinaceum



Prairie Dock. Large yellow sunflower-like flowers (to 3" wide) in loose clusters on smooth, almost leafless stems branching at the top in mid to late summer. Huge dark green leaves form a basal clump beneath the flowers. Good for rain gardens. Moist to dry, poor soils. OH native. Full sun. 6-10' x 3' Zone 4

Sisyrinchium angustifolium 'Lucerne'



Blue Eyed Grass. Grass-like foliage with bright blue ¼" star shaped flowers with gold centers bloom for 6-8 weeks. Great for edging. Average to moist soil. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 8-10" Zone 5

Smilacina racemosa



False Solomon Seal. A graceful native for moist woods. Fragrant creamy white flower clusters at the tips of the foliage in spring. Bright red berries in fall. Plants spread by rhizomes but not aggressively. Best in moist soil and partial shade. 1-3' OH native. Zone 3

Solidago caesia



Bluestem Goldenrod. Arching golden stems in fall to brighten up a shady spot. Average to dry soils. Good plant for rain gardens. Adaptive to sun or shade. OH native. 1-2' Zone 4

Solidago rugosa 'Fireworks'



Rough-stemmed Goldenrod. Golden yellow radiating flowers explode like fireworks of color for fall. A compact, clump forming plant. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. Sun to part shade. OH native. 3-4' Zone 4

Solidago x 'Little Lemon'



Dwarf Goldenrod. Stunning compact little plant with great branching for loads of flowers in late summer and fall. The light yellow flowers combine well with fall asters. Average soil. 12-15" Full sun. Zone 4

Spigelia marilandica



Indian Pink. Fabulous yellow star burst flowers with deep red throats in May and June. Medium green lance-shaped leaves on a bushy compact plant. Average to moist soil. Typically found at woodland edges. Medicinal uses. Eastern US native. Full sun to part shade. 18" Zone 5

Spiranthes cernua var. *odorata*



Fragrant Lady's Tresses. A native orchid with shiny green ground hugging rosettes. Fragrant white flower spikes spiral upward in early fall. Easy to grow, spreads to form small colonies. Average to moist soil in the shade. Use in bog gardens in full sun. Medicinal uses. OH native. 1-2' Zone 4

PERENNIALS

Stylophorum diphyllum



Wood Poppy. Showy 2" yellow flowers above glossy lobed foliage. Great native for moist shaded sites. Excellent for rain gardens. Blooms in late spring. Used as a dye plant by Native Americans. Medicinal uses. Partial to full shade. OH native. 18" Zone 5

Symphytum officinale



Comfrey. Lovely blue bell-shaped flowers in spring. Large fuzzy leaves. A very tough, strong growing plant. Medicinal uses. Once used as a poultice to heal broken bones. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 4

Symplocarpus foetidus



Skunk Cabbage. Dark maroon flowers emerge in late winter and generate heat which can melt snow. The large cabbage like leaves appear after flowering. Goes dormant in summer or as soon as water recedes. Medicinal uses. Moist, deciduous shade. OH native. 2-3' Zone 3

Teucrium canadense



Wild Germander. Creeping evergreen ground cover with thick, shiny, dark foliage and rose flowers. Average to dry soil. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun. Zone 5

Teucrium chamaedrys



Germander. Evergreen dwarf mound form with dense, glossy, small, toothed dark green leaves. Can be sheared into low hedges. Lavender flowers on 5" racemes in summer. Hummingbirds love it. Well drained soil. Drought tolerant. Medicinal uses. Sun to partial shade. 12-15" Zone 4

Thermopsis villosa (V. caroliniana)



Carolina Lupine. Yellow flower spikes in early summer resemble Baptisia and Lupines. Compound foliage is attractive late into the season. Tough and long lived once established. Good for dry sites. US native. Full sun. 3-4' Zone 5

Tiarella cordifolia



Foam Flower. A woodland native with white starry flowers in early spring. Green heuchera-like leaves tinged with burgundy form a nice groundcover. Leaf shape and colors are quite variable. Best in moist, organic soils. Medicinal uses. Shade. 6-12" Zone 3

Tradescantia ohiensis



Ohio Spiderwort. Flowers in pink, blue or purple all summer. Grass-like blue-gray foliage. A great plant for dry sunny locations. Use in rain gardens with good drainage. Full sun to part shade. OH native. 2-3' Zone 5

Trillium erectum



Purple Trillium. Showy burgundy-to-red-bracts with cream stamens above whorls of dogwood-like, deep-veined, oval leaves. Rich moist soil. Usually summer dormant. Trilliums are slow to establish. Medicinal uses. OH native. Shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Trillium grandifolium



Great White Trillium. Waxy, white bracts look like white dogwood. Flowers age to pink. Whorls of dogwood-like, oval leaves. Rich moist soil. Slow to establish. Usually summer dormant. OH State wildflower. Shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Trillium luteum



Yellow Trillium. Lemon scented, waxy yellow bracts over mottled foliage. Rich moist soil. Usually summer dormant. Trilliums are slow to establish. Southeastern US Native. Partial to full shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Trillium recurvatum



Prairie Wake-robin, Bloody Butcher. One of the smallest sessile Trilliums with narrow maroon petals in early spring. Thin mottled leaves. It spreads rapidly by rhizomes forming loose colonies. Found in floodplains and rich, moist woods. Usually summer dormant. Threatened species in OH. Part sun, light shade. 4-12" Zone 4

Trillium sessile



Wake-robin, Toad-shade, Sessile Trillium. Reddish green to maroon flowers in early spring. Wonderfully mottled leaves in whorls of 3. It is a reliable and easy plant of the Midwest. Found in rich, moist woods. Trilliums are slow to mature and spread. Usually summer dormant. OH native. Part sun to light shade. 6-12" Zone 4

Uvularia grandiflora



Grand Merry Bells. A graceful woodland flower native to the eastern US. Drooping, slightly twisted yellow flowers in spring. They spread by rhizomes and do well under deciduous trees. OH native. Partial to full shade. 1-2' Zone 4

Verbena stricta



Hoary Vervain. Spiky bright violet flowers for much of the summer. A nice upright form for meadows and mixed borders. Moist to dry soil. Drought tolerant when established. OH native. 2-3' Full sun to part shade. Zone 3

Vernonia fasciculata



Ironweed. Late summer deep reddish purple flowers in broccoli shaped bunches rather than the loose open panicles of other Vernonias. A big bold OH native. Best in full sun and moist to wet soils. Excellent rain garden plant. Good cut flower. Attracts butterflies. 3-5' Zone 3.

Vernonia noveboracensis



New York Ironweed. Bold deep purple flowers in late summer. Attracts butterflies. A lovely adaptable native. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. Believed to be extirpated from its natural sites in OH. Full sun. 4-7' Zone 5

Veronicastrum virginicum



Culvers Root. Dramatic white flower spikes in late summer. Very tough and long lasting when established. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 4-5' Zone 5

Viola sp.




Blue and White Violets. Blue, white, or blue and white flowers in spring. (We have several species crossing freely.) Host plant for Fritillary butterfly larva. A old favorite often planted by farmhouses. Violets are great shady groundcovers. Will spread quite cheerfully. 6" Zone 4

Waldsteinia fragarioides





Barren Strawberry. Yellow flowers on glossy strawberry-like leaves in spring. A lovely, tough, evergreen groundcover for shade. Average soil. OH native. Part shade. 8" Zone 5


PERENNIALS


Zizia aurea 
Golden Alexanders. Deep green, nicely divided basal foliage. Bright yellow clusters of 3-4" umbels in May-June. Average to moist soils. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Sun to part shade. 2-2 1/2' Zone 4


GRASSES


Acorus americanus 
Sweet Flag. A tough, adaptable plant for water's edge and moist locations. Good for rain gardens. Fragrant Iris-like foliage with small inconspicuous flowers. Potentially threatened OH native. Sun to part shade. 2-3' Zone 3


Acorus gramineus 'Minimus Aureus' 
Dwarf Golden Variegated Sweet Flag. A terrific dwarf Acorus that slowly spreads by rhizomes. The bright gold and green variegated foliage makes a beautiful ground cover. Grows in moist soil but not wet. Sun to part shade. 4" Zone 5


Andropogon gerardii 
Big Bluestem. Superb native grass. Basal foliage 2-3'. Flowering height 4-8' with distinctive 3 fingered seed heads in August. Red stems in fall. Very tolerant of diverse conditions. Good rain garden plant. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. Zone 4


Bouteloua curtipendula 
Sideoats gramma. Beautiful, underused native grass with delicate pendant seed heads. Excellent for planting with butterfly weed and other low wildflowers. Average to dry soil. Drought tolerant. OH native. Full sun. 3-4' Zone 4

Carex appalachia 
Appalachian Sedge. Fine, medium green leaves that grow 12-24" in length that are arranged in low clumps 4-8" in diameter. Beautiful eastern US native. Average to poor soils. Threatened species in OH. Shade. Zone 5

Carex stipata 
Awlfruit Sedge. A common and adaptable sedge. Excellent for wetland restoration. Thrives in almost any wet soil environment. Interesting golden seed clusters. Cool season grass. OH native. Sun or shade. 2-3' Zone 4

Carex grayi 
Burr Sedge. Interesting seed heads that resemble a mace make this a great addition to the perennial border. Native to floodplain woods. Great for rain gardens. OH native. Partial to full shade. 2' Zone 4


Carex laxiculmis 
Spreading Sedge. Beautiful blue foliage on this strong clump forming sedge makes this a stand out in the shade garden. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Partial to full shade. 12" Zone 5


Carex morowii 'Ice Dance' 
Ice Dance Sedge. Shiny, strong, variegated foliage. Semi-evergreen. Cut back in spring. Average to moist soil. Drought tolerant when established. Effective groundcover. Partial to full shade. 12" x 12" Zone 5

Carex morowii 'Silver Scepter' 
Silver Scepter Sedge. A beautiful selection with white margins


on very narrow leaves provides a fine texture. Bright silvery clumps for the shade garden or in containers. Dry to moist woodland settings. 12" Partial to full shade. Zone 5


Carex oshimensis 'Evergold' 
Variegated Sedge. Bright yellow variegation on slender blades. Lovely weeping habit. Average to dry soil. Full sun to partial shade. 12" Zone 5/6


Carex stricta 
Tussock Sedge. A beautiful Carex with bright green narrow blades. Over time it will form a hummock accentuating it's clumped shape. Spreads by rhizomes. Great for rain gardens. Moist to wet soils. OH native. 3' Full sun to part shade. Zone 4


Chasmanthium latifolium 
Northern Sea Oats. Attractive oat-like seed heads in late summer through winter. Deep gold fall color. Good naturalizer. Very adaptable to sun or shade, wet or dry. Great for rain gardens. OH native. 2-3' Zone 5


Chasmanthium latifolium 'River Mist' 
Variegated Northern Sea Oats. A beautiful new variety with striking green and white variegated foliage. This unique look makes a great specimen plant. In late summer the seedheads appear which provide winter interest and can be used in floral arrangements. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 24-36" Zone 4


Elymus hystrix (Hystrix patula) 
Bottlebrush Grass. A woodland grass with spiky seed heads that resemble a bottlebrush. Deep green narrow leaves about 3' tall. Flowers held 12" above. Adaptable to most soils. Cool season grass. OH native. Partial to full shade. 3-5' Zone 4

Elymus virginicus 
Virginia Wild Rye. A very adaptable native grass for average to wet soils. Seed heads form in early summer providing food and cover for wildlife. Good for soil stabilization and for rain gardens. OH native. Sun or shade. 3' Zone 5

Equisetum hyemale 
Horsetail, Scouring Rush. An ancient, primitive species with rough, hollow stems and a bamboo-like appearance. Use in moist to wet soils. Spreads readily. Easy to grow in containers. Medicinal uses. OH native. Full sun to part shade. 3-4' Zone 2

Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola' 
Variegated Hakone Grass. Beautiful cascading golden foliage for the shade garden. Turns pinkish red in fall. Slow growing. Provide some winter protection, as hardiness is debatable. Average to moist soil. Perennial Plant Association 2009 Plant of the Year. 12-18" Part shade. Zone 5/6.

Hierochloa odorata 
Sweetgrass. Native grass used by many Indian tribes in ceremonies, as perfume, or burned as incense. Fast spreading rhizomes. Average soil. OH native. Full sun. 15" x 36" Zone 4

Juncus effusus 
Soft Rush. Deep green, round stems. Clump forming semi-evergreen native plant for average to wet soils. Excellent plant for rain gardens. Tolerates summer drought when established. Attractive seed heads. Full sun to part shade. OH native. 2-3' Zone 2

GRASSES

Juncus tenuis



Path Rush. A great groundcover that forms dense clumps of bright green tubular blades. It spreads slowly by rhizomes and easily by seed. A wonderfully adaptable rush that thrives in wet or dry conditions, disturbed or compacted soil, and sun or shade. OH native. 8-10" Zone 2

Luzula acuminata



Hairy Woodrush. Attractive, semi-evergreen foliage. Small but distinct plant makes an excellent filler for the shady garden. Spreads slowly by rhizomes. Average to moist soil. OH native. Partial to full shade. 12" Zone 5

Panicum virgatum 'Cloud Nine'



Switch Grass. Clouds of airy flower clusters in August-November. Very strong stems. Great substitute for Miscanthus. Average to moist soil. Good plant for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun. 7' Zone 2

Panicum virgatum 'Heavy Metal'



Blue Switch Grass. Very upright metallic blue foliage. Attractive form and color. A nice medium height switch grass. Average to moist soil. Good plant for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun. 3-4' Zone 2

Panicum virgatum 'North Wind'



Switch Grass. Fabulous upright steel blue panicum. Super strong stems and wide, thick blades. Stands up to everything from hurricanes to drought! Average to moist soil. Good plant for rain gardens. Full sun. OH native. 6' Zone 2

Panicum virgatum 'Shenandoah'



Red Switch Grass. Red tinted foliage becomes bright red in fall. Flowers are also red. Slower growing than other Panicums. Average to moist soil. Good plant for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun for best color. 3' Zone 2

Schizachyrium scoparium



Little Bluestem. Native warm season grass. Green with orange-red colors in the fall. Soft, silvery seed heads. Attracts birds and is a larval host for several species of butterflies. Thrives in poor dry soil. OH native. Full sun. 3' Zone 3

Schizachyrium s. 'Prairie Blues'



Little Bluestem. A seed selection of Little Bluestem with a consistent blue-gray color. Beautiful reddish-orange fall color. Fluffy silvery seeds line the stems in late summer. Attracts birds and is a larval host for several species of butterflies. Great for poor, dry soils. Must have good drainage. OH native. Full sun. 3' Zone 3

Sorghastrum nutans



Indian Grass. One of the major species of the tall grass prairies and one of the most beautiful. Green foliage grows to 2' in an arching shape. 6' feathery plumes emerge in August. Good native substitute for Miscanthus. Dry to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Full sun to part shade. Zone 4

Sporobolus heterolepis



Prairie Dropseed. Beautiful arching fine foliage and attractive seeds. Creates a distinctive border when planted 18-24" apart. Great native substitute for fountain grass. Well drained soils. Threatened species in OH. Full sun. 2-3' Zone 3

FERNS

Adiantum pedatum



Maidenhair Fern. Bright green fronds on shiny black stems. Shallow rhizomes spread to form a dense ground cover in bright shade. Light, airy texture in woodland garden. Moist, well drained soil. Good for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. Partial to full shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Athyrium filix-femina



Lady Fern. This beauty is tough and easy to grow, great for perennial borders and woodlands. Tolerates sun if kept moist and flourishes in bright shade and moist, rich soils. Clump forming. Good plant for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. OH native. 2-3' Shade Zone 4

Athyrium filix-femina 'Frizellae'



Tatting Fern, Frizell's Lady. Found in 1857 in Ireland, in the garden of Mrs. Frizell, the Tatting Fern is one of the most unique ferns available today. It has narrow fronds with pinnae reduced to bead-like balls. Moist soil. Clumping. Emerges late in spring. 12"-18" Partial to full shade. Zone 4

Athyrium filix-femina 'Victoriae'



Victoria Lady Fern. An unusual fern whose pinnae crisscross to form x's with crested leaflet tips creating a wonderful lacy effect. No other fern does this. Deciduous. Best in rich, moist soil. Clump forming. 18-24" Partial to full shade. Zone 4

Athyrium nipponicum 'Pictum Regal Red'



Japanese Painted Fern. A very colorful fern with dark green and burgundy in the frond center with bright silver edges. The color is more intense with some direct sunlight, preferably morning. Too much sun washes out the color. Spreading rhizomes. Best in rich, moist soil. PPA 2004 Perennial Plant of the Year. Part shade. 12-18" Zone 3

Athyrium otophorum



Auriculate Lady Fern. A dramatic addition to the garden. Dark maroon fiddleheads. Pale green young fronds with dark purple stems age to a dusky gray-green keeping the purple stems. Moist soil. Native to Japan and China. Short creeping rhizomes. 12-18" Partial shade. Zone 5

Athyrium x 'Ghost'



Ghost Fern. Silver-white upright fronds provide shade garden drama. Especially effective in large mass plantings with adjacent dark foliage. Best in rich, moist soil. Less drought tolerant than other Athyriums. Clump forming. 18-24" Partial shade. Zone 4

Cheilanthes lanosa







Hairy Lip Fern. A great native fern for the rock garden. Upright medium green fronds. Found on dry rocky slopes with acidic to slightly alkaline soils in the Eastern US. Short creeping rhizomes. 6-16" Sun to part shade. Zone 5




Cyrtomium fortunei











Fortune's Cold Hardy Holly Fern. An easy, fast growing holly fern. Tall, erect, light green fronds. Clumping. Grows in normal woodland soils and is lime tolerant. Evergreen to semi-evergreen. Partial to full shade. 18-30" Zone 5



FERNS



Dryopteris affinis 'Christata'    
The King, Golden-scaled Male Fern. A spectacular plant with gracefully arching fronds with crested tips. An easy to grow adaptable fern. Plants form multiple crowns. US native. 2-4' Shady to fairly sunny locations. Zone 4



Dryopteris affinis 'Polydactyla Dadds'   
Many Fingered Golden Scaled Male Fern. A dramatic and unusual form with long finger-like tassels on the tips of the pinnae. The spring growth is covered in lustrous golden scales. Adaptable to range of soils. Drought tolerant once established. Semi-evergreen. Clump forming erect crown. Partial to full shade. 2-3' Zone 4



Dryopteris bissetiana   
Beaded Wood Fern. An exquisite fern that's easy to grow in shady moist soil. The fronds have a beaded pattern similar to old-time tin work. Evergreen through the winter but late to emerge. Sends up new fronds in early summer. Long creeping rhizomes. 12-24" Part to full shade. Zone 5




Dryopteris carthusiana     
Spinulose Wood Fern. Finely divided fronds with erect-arching habit. Easy to grow in rich, acidic woodland soil. Does well in wet soils and along streams. Good rain garden plant. Ascending to erect rhizomes. Deciduous. Nice butter-yellow fall color. 1-3' Partial to full shade. OH native. Zone 2




Dryopteris championii  
Champion's Wood Fern. Strong growing fern with dark, glossy green foliage. Fronds remain erect and green through the winter. Very late to emerge in spring with lovely apple green foliage. Short spreading rhizomes. Part shade. 12-36" Zone 5





Dryopteris clintoniana  
Clinton's Wood Fern. A robust dark green fern with narrow leathery fronds. Short creeping rhizomes. Found in swamps and wet woods in northeastern US. Easy to grow in moist, acidic soil. Good for rain gardens. Deciduous. Partial shade. Endangered in OH. 2-4' Zone 3






Dryopteris crassirhizoma  
Thick Stemmed Wood Fern. A striking fern with a huge crown. Large erect-arching fronds form a beautiful vase shape making it a great plant to use for a focal point. Fronds are evergreen but lie down through the winter. Average loamy soil. Part shade. 24-42" Zone 5





Dryopteris cristata  
Crested Wood Fern. A distinct fern but not crested. The fertile fronds are stiffly erect with the pinnae turned at right angles like open venetian blinds. The sterile fronds are shorter, more arching and evergreen. Grows in wet places in the wild but just fine in moist, rich soil. Short-creeping rhizomes. Partial shade. OH native. 1-3' Zone 3





Dryopteris cycadina   
Shaggy Shield Fern. Black stems accent the erect, dark green, highly textured fronds. Found in the dark forests of Asia often near streams. Should be fine for rain gardens. Short creeping rhizomes. Easy to grow. Semi-evergreen. 18-36" Part to full shade. Zone 5





Dryopteris dilatata 'Recurvata'   
Recurved Broad Buckler Fern. A tall, broad fern with drooping leaflets which give it an unusually attractive form and texture. Vigorous plant for cool shady habitats. Best in moist, acidic soil. Deciduous. Upright crown. Partial to heavy shade. 15-36" Zone 4






Dryopteris erythrosora 'Brilliance'    
Autumn Fern. A new more colorful form of Autumn Fern. Pink fiddleheads and coppery new growth appear all season. Fronds mature to deep glossy green. Evergreen. Best in moist, well-drained soil. Slow-spreading. 24" Partial to full shade. Zone 5





Dryopteris felix-mas     
Male Fern. A beautiful large native fern to use as a specimen or allow to form colonies. Best in moist woodland settings. Can be fairly sun tolerant. Medicinal uses. Endangered species in OH. 2-4' Part to full shade. Zone 4





Dryopteris felix-mas 'Linearis'    
Linear Male Fern. A tall erect fern with narrow pinna creating a lacy, delicate appearance. A tough easy plant with a leathery texture. Non-spreading crown. Best in moist soil. 36" Partial to full shade. Zone 4






Dryopteris filix-mas 'Parsley'    
Parsley Male Fern. A lower growing Male Fern with unusual crested and crinkled dark green foliage. Every frond is a bit different. Best in moist soil. OH native. 18-24" Part to full shade. Zone 4

Dryopteris goldiana    
Goldie's Fern. One of the largest native Wood Ferns. Short creeping rhizomes lead to stands of broad arching fronds. Moist to wet, humus-rich soils. Good for rain gardens. OH native. Partial to full shade. 3-4' Zone 3


Dryopteris intermedia     
Fancy Fern. Lovely finely dissected fronds. Common in moist, shaded woods and on rocky slopes in the eastern US on acidic to neutral soils. Once used as cut foliage by florists. Easy to grow OH native. Shade. 18-36" Zone 3


Dryopteris marginalis    
Eastern Wood Fern. Dark blue-green leathery fronds form a large single crowned specimen. Slow to branch. Evergreen. Good for dry shade. OH native. Partial to full shade. 12-18" Zone 3


Matteuccia struthiopteris    
Ostrich Fern. Large, arching deep green fronds. Great for moist woods and wet areas. Tolerates sun with adequate moisture. Great for rain gardens. Wide spreading. Fiddleheads are edible. OH native. 3-4' Zone 3


Onoclea sensibilis     
Sensitive Fern. A tough native fern for moist to wet sites. Spreads readily to form a colony. Fine in sun with enough moisture. Fertile fronds are woody, beaded stems that can be used in cut arrangements. Late to emerge in spring. Sensitive to frost. Good plant for shady rain gardens. OH native. 1-3' Sun to part shade. Zone 2


FERNS


Osmunda cinnamomea 
Cinnamon Fern. Coppery spikes resembling cinnamon sticks appear in early summer. Easy to grow native. Forms multiple crowns with arching green leaves. Average to wet soils. Good rain garden plant. Larger in acidic soils. Tolerates neutral to slightly alkaline soils. OH native. Low to high light. 3-5' Zone 3


Osmunda regalis var. spectabilis 
Royal Fern. Regal native with broad, bright green leaves. Thrives in moist, rich, acidic soil. Short spreading rhizomes. Full sun okay if wet. Good fern for shady rain gardens. OH native. Sun to partial shade. 4-6' Zone 4


Phyllitis scolopendrium 
Hart's Tongue Fern. An unusual and beautiful fern. Fronds are strap shaped and grow out from a rosette center. Thrives in well drained, alkaline soils. Evergreen. Medicinal uses. Native MI, NY, TN. Federally listed threatened species. Partial to full shade. 18" Zone 5


Phyllitis scolopendrium 'Angustifolia' 
Undulate Hart's Tongue Fern. Deeply frilled edges along the strap shaped fronds which grow out from a rosette center. An unusual and beautiful fern. Thrives in well drained, alkaline soils. Evergreen. Native MI, NY, TN. Partial to full shade. 12" Zone 5

Phyllitis scolopendrium 'Furcata' 
Forked Hart's Tongue Fern. Forking tips which look like spread out fingers on the ends of the strap shaped fronds. Very unusual. Evergreen. Thrives in well drained, alkaline soils. Native MI, NY, TN. Partial to full shade. 8" Zone 5


Polystichum acrostichoides 
Christmas Fern. Lustrous dark green fronds are nearly evergreen. Often used in floral arrangements. Nice accent for spring bulbs. Spreading. Dry to moist soils. Good for rain gardens. Medicinal uses. Easy to grow OH native. Partial to full shade. 12-18" Zone 4


Polystichum polyblephrum 
Tassel Fern. Beautiful shiny dark green fronds on coppery, fuzzy stems. Easy to grow and evergreen. Good for floral arrangements. Does well as a house plant in bright light. Best in rich, moist soil. 12-18" Partial shade. Zone 4


Polystichum setiferum 'Herrenhausen' 
Soft Shield Fern. Stunning lacy effect from the finely divided dark green fronds. Erect crown with upright arching fronds. Semi-evergreen. Medium to moist, well drained neutral soil. Europe. Partial shade. 2-3' Zone 5/6


Thelypteris decursive-pinnata (Phegopteris d-v) 
Japanese Beech Fern. Lush, bright green, upright foliage produces a striking form. An excellent ground cover. It forms large colonies in moist or dry shade. 12"-24" Partial shade. Zone 4


VINES


Campsis radicans 
Trumpet Vine. Orange trumpet shaped flowers all summer. Hummingbirds love it! Interesting seedpods. A native vine that thrives almost anywhere. Medicinal uses. Full sun to part shade. 20'+ Zone 4


Clematis virginiana 
Virgin's Bower. An attractive native vine with bright green foliage. Produces white fluffy flowers in late summer. Attractive seed heads last into winter. Average to moist soil. Good rain garden plant. Native to Eastern half of US including OH. Full sun to part shade. 8-12' Zone 4

Decumaria b. 'Barbara Ann' 
Wood Vamp. Sweetly fragrant, creamy white blooms and lustrous dark green foliage make this vine a standout. Great as a groundcover too. Average to moist soil. Found in floodplains making it a good choice for rain gardens. Native to Southeast US. Partial shade. 20' Zone 5

Hydrangea petiolaris 
Climbing Hydrangea. Clusters of white fragrant lacecap flowers in late spring. Dark, shiny green leaves persist late in the fall. This vine climbs very easily. Needs a strong support structure if grown vertically. Exfoliating red bark for winter interest. Best in rich, moist, well-drained soil. Part to full shade. 30-50' x 5-6' Zone 4

Parthenocissus quinquefolia 
Virginia Creeper. A great tough native vine. Deep green in summer with excellent red fall color. Vigorous grower, 6-10' per year. Low maintenance cover for walls or trellises. Needs no support as it cements itself to surfaces. Salt tolerant. Grows in most soils. OH native. Full sun to heavy shade. 30-50' Zone 4

Passiflora incarnate 
Passion Vine, Maypop. Exotic, complex purple flowers followed by yellow fleshy fruits. A vigorous native vine. Very late to emerge in spring. Average soil. Potentially threatened species in OH. Full sun to part shade. 8-12' Zone 5

Wisteria frutescens 'Aunt Maude' 
American Wisteria. Faintly scented blue-violet flowers in densely packed racemes on current season's growth. Blooms later and is less aggressive than Asian species. Seed pods add interest in late summer and fall. Average to moist soil. Good for rain gardens. OH Native. Full sun. 20-30' Zone 5