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PLANTS

Plants for shady places

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A great opportunity not a problem

Many people think that the shady areas of their gardens are areas where nothing will grow, that there is nothing colourful to plant there or that shade plants are few in number, boring or difficult to grow.

This could not be further from the truth

Plants that thrive in shade usually originate in woodland and many flower in spring (before the tree canopy closes in) or in autumn (as the canopy falls). There are however exceptions, so as well as interesting foliage shape, colour and texture there are flowers for each month too, some the most exquisite you can grow in the garden. The key is to know what plants will grow and thrive in the shade present. Is it deep shade or light shade? Also what is the moisture content of the soil? Is it moisture retentive or we'll-drained? Once you have established these factors then look at the lists overleaf and choose your favourites



PLANTS FOR FULL SHADE / WELL-DRAINED SOIL

Acanthus mollis, Alchemilla mollis, Asplenium, Bergenia, Carex 'Ice Dance', Convallaria, Dryopteris filix-mas and cultivars, Epimedium, Euphorbia amygdaloides var robbiae and cultivars, Galium odoratum, Geranium macrorrhizum and cultivars, Geranium nodosum and cultivars, Geranium phaeum and cultivars, Helleborus x hybrida, Iris foetidissima, Liriope muscari and cultivars, Polypodium, Pulmonaria, Symphytum, Tellima, Viola canina, Waldsteinia

PLANTS FOR PARTIAL SHADE / WELL-DRAINED SOIL

Acanthus mollis, Alchemilla, Anemanthele lessoniana, Anemone, Anthriscus, Aquilegia, Asplenium, Bergenia, Brunnera, Campanula (large border varieties), Carex, Convallaria, , Coreopsis, Digitalis, Epimedium, Erigeron, Erodium, Euphorbia amygdaloides and cultivars, Galium odoratum, Geranium (most), Gillenia trifoliata, Helleborus, Lamium, Lilium martagon and hybrids, Liriope muscari and cultivars, Melittis melisophyllum and cultivars, Myrrhis odorata, Nepeta gotlandica, Nepeta subsessilis, Ophiopogon, Paeonia suffruticosa and cultivars, Penstemon digitalis and cultivars, Penstemon smallii, Pulmonaria, Rudbeckia, Sidalcea, Symphytum, Tellima, Tiarella, Waldsteinia

PLANTS FOR FULL SHADE / MOISTURE RETENTIVE SOIL

Alchemilla, Aquilegia, Athyrium, Carex 'Ice Dance', Convallaria, Epimedium, Galium odoratum, Helleborus x hybrida, Hosta (blue and yellow leaved varieties), Kirengeshoma, Matteucia, Mecanopsis, Mukdenia, Polygonatum, Pulmonaria, Reinecker carnea, Rodgersia, Symphytum, Tellima, Tiarella, Uvularia, Viola, Waldsteinia

PLANTS FOR PARTIAL SHADE / MOISTURE RETENTIVE SOIL

Acanthus, Aconitum, Actaea, Ageratina, Ajuga, Alchemilla, Anemone x hybrida, Anemone leveillii, Anemone rivularis, Anemone sylvestris, Aquilegia, Arisaema, Aruncus, Asarum, Astilbe, Astrantia, Bistorta, Bletilla, Brunnera, Centaurea, Corydalis, Darmera, Deschampsia caespitosa and , Dicentra, Digitalis, Disporum, Disporopsis, Epimedium, Eutrochium, Filipendula, Francoa, Fuchsia, Galium odoratum, Geranium, Geum, Helleborus, Hakonechloa, Heuchera (pale-coloured leaf varieties), Heucherella, Hosta, Iris sibirica and cultivars, Kirengeshoma, Lamium, Lamprocapnos, Ligularia, Livelua, Lysimachia, Maianthemum, Mecanopsis, Mentha, Miliium effusum 'Aureum', Monarda, Mukdenia, Onophthalides, Ophiopogon, Penstemon digitalis and cultivars, Penstemon smallii, Persicaria, Phlox, Pimpinella major 'Rosea', Podophyllum, Polemonium, Polygonatum, Primula, Pulmonaria, Reineckea cornea, Rodgersia, Roscoea, Selinum, Sidalcea, Symphytum, Synthris, Tellima, Thalictrum, Tiarella, Tradescantia, Tricyrtis, Trollius, Uvularia, Viola, Waldsteinia

