

# Shade Loving Plants

## PERENNIALS

Acanthus  
Ajuga  
Anemones  
Aquilegia (Columbine)  
Astilbe  
Athyrium (Ferns)  
Bergenia  
Blue Oat Grass  
Brunnera  
Campanula  
Carex  
Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)  
Digitalis  
Dryopteris (Ferns)  
Geranium  
Hamelin ornamental grass  
Helleborus  
Hepatica  
Hemerocallis (Daylilies)  
(morning shade)  
Heuchera  
Hostas  
Iris (Siberian)  
Ligularia  
Lupine  
Lobelia  
Lysimachia  
Mertinesia (Bluebells)  
Myosotis (Forget-me-nots)  
Oenothera  
Primula  
Polemodium  
Pulmonaria (Solomons Seal)  
Tiarella (Foam Flower)  
Trillium  
Tradescantia (Spiderwort)

## ANNUALS

Begonias  
Browalia  
Caladiums  
Coleus  
Fuchsia  
German Ivy  
Hypoestes  
Impatiens  
Lobelia  
Magilla Perilla  
Mimulus  
Pansies

## FOLIAGE PLANTS

Abutilon (Flowering Maple)  
Aglaonema  
Alternanthera  
Alocasia  
Aspidistra (Cast Iron Plant)  
Elephant Ear  
Ferns (Boston)  
Philodendron  
Spider Plant

Think woodland floor! Use liberal amounts of peat, compost and organic matter when planting these plants. Avoid over-watering and provide good air circulation for healthy plants!

The plants on this list are for full, filtered and partial shade. Full shade means less than 3hrs of direct sunlight a day. Partial shade is about 3-6 hrs of direct sun a day. Filtered is dappled sunlight through the trees (this is the easiest shade to grow in). Avoid planting these plants in full sun to prevent sun-scalding damage.

## GROUND COVERS

Ajuga  
Anemone Tomentosa  
Bunchberry  
Bergenia  
Euonymus  
Helleborus  
Honeysuckle  
Ivy  
Lamium  
Lily of the Valley  
Moss (Irish)  
Liriope  
Lysimachia  
Pachysandra  
Sweet Woodruff  
Vinca Minor (Myrtle)  
Violas

## Trees

*Cercis Canadensis* (Redbud)  
*Cornus* spp. (Dogwood)  
Hammamelis (Witch Hazel)  
Hemlock  
Magnolia  
Japanese maples

## Shrubs

Clethra (Summersweet)  
Euonymus (Burning Bush)  
Fothergilla  
*Hydrandgea* spp.  
Hypericum  
Itea  
Kerria  
Lonicera (Honeysuckle Vine)  
Taxus (Yews)  
Viburnum

## Evergreens

Azaleas (need winter shade)  
Buxus (Boxwood)  
Daphne  
Ilex (Holly)  
Kalmia (Mountain Laurel)  
Katsura  
Microbiota  
Pieris Japonica (Japanese Pieris)  
Rhododendron (need winter shade)  
Taxus (Yews)