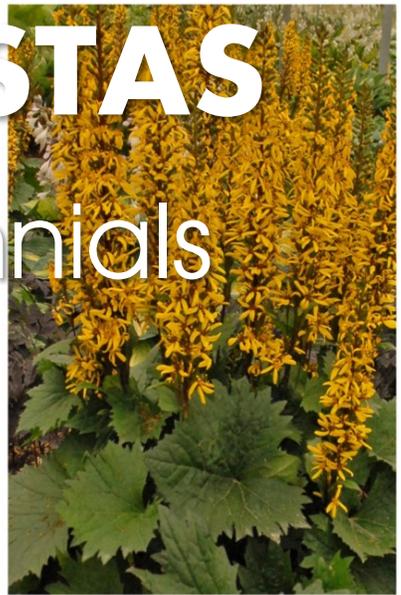
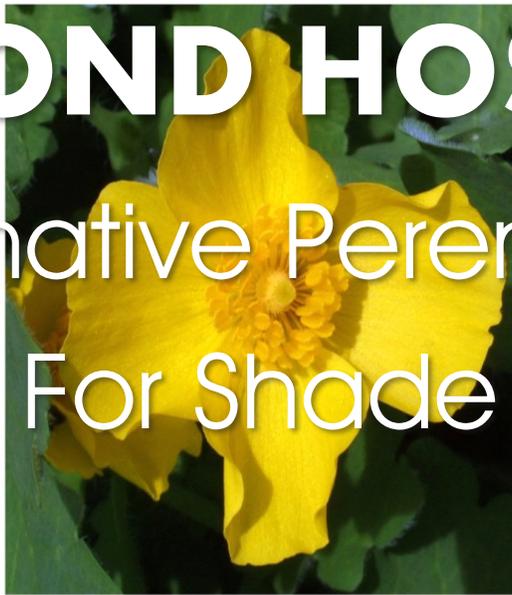
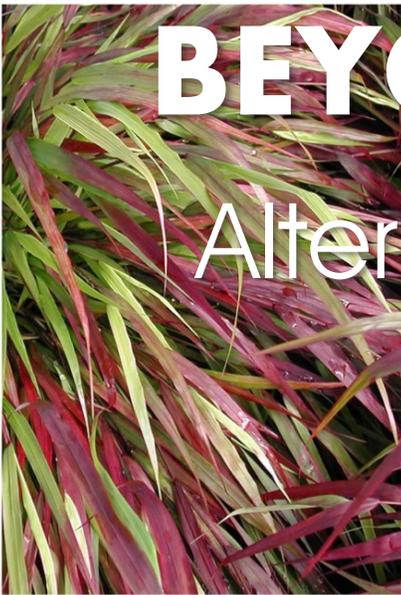


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Snow-on-the-Mountain or Gout Weed

Aegopodium variegatum

Ht. 6-12" Wd. 18-24" - White Flower - Shade

This old-fashioned groundcover has green and white variegated foliage, and is topped with white, umbel-type blooms in late spring. A fast-grower, it grows best with adequate moisture. Zone 3 (#4023)

Bugleweed

Ajuga reptans

Ht. 4-6" Wd. 12-15" - Bluish-Purple Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Bugleweed forms a dense mat of foliage and produces bluish-purple flower spikes in late May. Zone 3

- 'Black Scallop' PP15815 - Deep purple, near black foliage. (#4699)
- 'Burgundy Glow' - Green, white, and burgundy splashed foliage. (#4026)
- 'Chocolate Chip' - Miniature, chocolate-brown foliage. (#4076)



Goat's Beard

Aruncus

Ht. 10-36" Wd. 12-24" - White Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Ferny foliage of green or bronze produces creamy white, Astilbe-like blooms in early summer. Zone 3.

- *aethusifolius* (Dwarf Goat's Beard) - Grows 10-12" tall, with miniature white flowers. (#4052)
- 'Chantilly Lace' PPAF - Blooms heavily in early summer with lacy, cream-colored blooms over deep green foliage. Can reach 32" Tall. A Proven Winners® selection. (#5407PW)
- 'dioicus Horatio' - Yellowish-green foliage w/bronze, tall stems and creamy white flowers. - Ht. 48" Zone 2 (#4369)

Masterwort

Astrantia major

Ht. 24-30" Wd. 30" - Burgundy Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Grows in clumps and spreads by stolons. Green foliage is attractive throughout the growing season with lightly fragrant, small, exotic-looking flowers and attractive bracts. Zone 4.

- 'Star of Fire' - Globe-shaped blooms have burgundy petals w/white centers and burgundy stamens. (#4695)





Pigsqueak

Bergenia 'Sakura'

Ht. 16-18" Wd. 18" - Pink Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Thick, shiny, dark green leaves are evergreen. Clusters of light pink flowers mature to medium pink in early spring. Zone 4. (#5699)

Ground Orchid

Bletilla striata 'Shi-ran'

Ht. 12-20" Wd. 12" - Rose-Purple Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Small, rose-purple, orchid-like blooms in late spring. Zone 5. (#5763)



Heartleaf Alkanet

Brunnera macrophylla

Ht. 12-15" Wd. 18-24" - Blue Flower - Shade or Part Shade

A rhizomatous, clump-forming perennial with attractive heart-shaped, basal foliage. Small, blue forget-me-not flowers bloom in branched racemes rising above the foliage on slender stems. Prefers moist, rich, shady soils.

- 'Jack Frost' PP13859 - Frosty silver leaves, blue flowers. A Best Seller!
- Ht. 12-15" Zone 3 (#5709)
- 'Jack of Diamonds' PP32752 - Like the 'Jack of Hearts' on steroids, this one has huge, 9" green leaves with a heavy silver overlay. A Proven Winners® selection.
- Ht. 14-16" Zone 3 (#4925)
- 'Sterling Silver' PPAF - Similar to 'Looking Glass', but with a larger habit and a better heat tolerance. Blue flowers in the spring.
- Ht. 12-15" Zone 3 (#4387)
- Variegata - Green leaves have irregular white margins. Requires a moist soil to prevent leaf scorch. Delicate sprays of blue flowers in the spring.
- Ht. 12-15" Zone 3 (#4153)



Bugbane or Snakeroot

Cimicifuga (Actaea)

Ht. 3-7' Wd. 36" - White Flower - Shade or Part Shade

Dark green foliage has a purple tint. Creamy white, bottle-brush type flowers are produced in late summer.

- 'Hillside Black Beauty' COPF - Purplish-black foliage is similar to Astilbe-type leaves. In late spring, the fragrant, 12" long, bottle-brush type white flowers are produced on tall stems. - Ht. 4-7' Wd. 36" Zone 4 (#4205)

Fern Leaf Bleeding Heart

Dicentra exima

Ht. 10-12" Wd. 15" - Pink Flower - Shade or Part Shade

- 'King of Hearts' PP15599 - Dark pink, heart-shaped flowers for several months in the summer. A consistent rebloomer. Zone 3 (#5648)
- 'Luxuriant' - Lighter pink, heart-shaped blooms most of the summer. Zone 3 (#4375)



Old Fashioned Bleeding Heart

Dicentra spectabilis

Ht. 24-30" Wd. 24-30" - Pink Flower - Shade or Part Shade

- spectabilis - Arching stems with dangling, heart-shaped pink blooms in early spring. A perennial favorite, it goes dormant in the summer. Plant other shade perennials close by to disguise the dying foliage (#4308)
- 'Goldheart' - Spectacular, golden yellow foliage and rosy-pink, heart shaped blooms in early spring. Will go dormant in mid-summer. (#5192)
- 'Valentine' PP22739 - Darker, rose-red, heart-shaped blooms on arching stems. Blooms in early spring, and goes dormant in the summer. (#4086)



Barrenwort

Epimedium

Ht. 10-24" Wd. 18-36" - Assorted Flower - Shade

Epimediums are great plants for shade. Once established, they can tolerate dryness as well, so they are great for planting under trees. They have small, dainty blooms that resemble tiny columbines. Foliage turns bronze in the fall. Zone 3

- Pink Champagne - Delicate flowers of pink and white form on delicate, airy stems. Blooms in early spring. Dark green leaves are mottled with burgundy. A vigorous grower, hardy to Zone 5. (#NEW)
- rubrum - Tiny blooms with red petals and white throats in the early spring. (#4323)
- sulphureum - Tiny, light yellow blooms in early spring with white petals and yellow throats. (#4324)

Sweet Woodruff

Galium odoratum

Ht. 6" Wd. 12-15" - White Flower - Shade or Part Shade

A deciduous groundcover with small green leaves, it produces white, fragrant flowers in late spring or early summer. Best in a light, acidic soil. (#4339)



Japanese Forest Grass

Hakonechloa macra

Ht. 6-24" Wd. 18-24" - Warm Season - Shade or Part Shade

- 'albo-striata' - This variety has green leaves with narrow white stripes. - Ht. 12-18" Zone 5 (#5007)
- 'All Gold' - Solid gold leaves grow with an arching habit. - Ht. 6-8" Zone 5 (#5913)
- aureola - Green leaves have yellow stripes. - Ht. 12-20" Zone 5 (#4357)
- 'Beni-Kase' - Solid green leaves develop red streaks in late summer. Fall color is excellent: red, orange and gold. - Ht. 18-24" Zone 5 (#5917)
- 'Sunflare' PP27734 - A sport of 'All Gold', it has gold leaves tipped with red, and red and orange fall color. - Ht. 12-18" Zone 5 (#5033)



Ferns

Ht. 2-6' Wd. 3-5' - Variety of Textures - Shade

An old classic standby, Ferns are perfect for the shady woodland garden. Easy to grow and take care of as long as you give them ample moisture.

See separate Ferns Flipbook (#varies)



Helleborus

Lenten Rose

Ht. 10-24" Wd. 12-30" - Variety of Colorful Flowers - Shade or Part Shade

Valued for its early blooms of purple, red, yellow, green blue, lavender and pink, and its leathery evergreen foliage. The flowers - actually sepals - hang downward and occasionally have unique markings which add to its interest.

See separate Helleborus Flipbook (#varies)





Coral Bells & Foamy Bells

Heuchera & Heucherella

Ht. 6-18" Wd. 24-30" - Shade or Part Shade

A most reliable perennial - Coral Bells & Foamy Bells are the traditional go-to for when you need something for that shady spot in your yard. They have a mounding habit in an array of colors with small bell-shaped flowers on tall stems.

See separate Heuchera/Heucherella Flipbook (#varies)

Hosta

Plantain Lilies

Ht. 6-30" Wd. 4-42" - Shade or Part Shade

Hostas are such perennial favorite for a multitude of reasons ranging from being reliable, shade-loving, easy to grow and will probably outlive you! The gorgeous color variegation and foliage texture and type are unmatched and wide-ranging.

See separate Hosta Flipbook (#varies)



Ragwort

Ligularia

Ht. 3-6' Wd. 2-3' - Yellow Flower - Shade or Part Shade

An under-used and often overlooked plant for the shade garden. Ornamental, heart-shaped foliage with orange and yellow flowers on a long-lived plant.

- 'Little Rocket' PP14621 - This smaller version of 'The Rocket' has green, heart-shaped leaves. Bright yellow flower spikes on 36" stems bloom in early summer. Zone 3. (#5838)
- 'The Rocket' - Large, heart-shaped leaves have serrated edges. Tall spires of bright yellow flowers on dark stems 48-60" tall bloom in early summer. Zone 3. (#5057)

Wood Poppy or Celadine Poppy

Stylophorum diphyllum

Ht. 14-18" Wd. 12-15" - Yellow Flower - Part Shade or Sun

This native groundcover produces large, bright yellow, poppy-like blooms in early summer. Dark green foliage makes an attractive groundcover. (#5484)



Spiderwort

Tradescantia

Ht. 12-24" Wd. 24-30" - Purple-Blue Flower - Part Shade or Sun

- 'Little Doll' - Shorter, grass-like green foliage. Pale, blue flowers form in early summer to mid-summer.
- Ht. 12" Zone 3. (#5363)
- 'Sweet Kate' - Chartreuse, grass-like foliage contrasts well with the purplish blue flowers. Tolerates moist soils and blooms most of the summer.
- Ht. 12-15" Zone 3. (#5202)
- 'Zwanenburg Blue' - A taller variety that has narrow green leaves and large, violet-blue flowers. Blooms most of the summer. May need to be trimmed back if it gets floppy.
- Ht. 18-24" Zone 3. (#5361)



Globe Flower

Trollius

Ht. 18-36" Wd. 24" - Gold or Yellow Flower - Shade or Part Shade

- 'Lemon Queen' - Lemon yellow, poppy-like blooms in late spring. - Ht. 35" Zone 3. (#5595)

Periwinkle

Vinca minor

Ht. 4-6" Wd. 24" - Blue Flower - Shade or Part Shade



- 'Bowles Variety' - This fast growing groundcover has smaller, shiny green leaves. Blue flowers appear in the spring and sporadically through the summer. Evergreen foliage grow 4-6" tall. Zone 3. (#5381)



Polemonium

Jacob's Ladder

Ht. 18-24" Wd. 24" - Blue Flowers - Shade or Part Shade



- 'Blue Pearl' - Ferny green foliage is topped with beautiful blue flowers in late spring. - Ht. 18-24" Wd. 24" Zone 4. (#5094)
- 'Heaven Scent' PP20214 - Fern-like green foliage forms a 12" high mound. Lightly fragrant blooms appear in late spring. Can handle full sun if given enough water. A Proven Winners® selection. - Ht. 18-24" Wd. 18" Zone 3. (#5493)

Pulmonaria

Lungwort

Ht. 10-16" Wd. 12-24" - Blue or Pink Flowers - Shade or Part Shade

- 'Mrs. Moon' - Pink buds open to blue flowers. Silver-dotted, dark green foliage. - Ht. 10-12" Wd. 18-24" Zone 3. (#5323)
- 'Pretty in Pink' PPAF - Large rose-pink blooms in early spring. Silver-dotted, green foliage. - Ht. 14-16" Wd. 24-28" Zone 3. (#5719)
- 'Spot On' PPAF - Salmon-pink buds open to rich blue flowers. Silver-speckled foliage. - Ht. 14-16" Wd. 18-20" Zone 3. (#5500)
- 'Twinkle Toes' PP30258 - Light blue flowers in early spring. Dark green leaves have silver spots. - Ht. 12-14" Wd. 16-18" Zone 3 (#5321)



Syneilesis aconitifolia

Shredded Umbrella Plant

Ht. 16-20" Wd. 34" - White Flowers - Morning Sun or Shade

Narrow, dissected leaves cascade downward like an umbrella. White blooms on 40" scapes tower above the foliage in mid-summer. Zone 3. ("NEW")

Tricyrtis formosana

Toad Lily

Ht. 16-18" Wd. 24" - White/Purple Flowers - Shade or Part Shade

- 'Samurai' - Attractive variegated green and gold foliage, plus late summer to fall blooms make this one a great addition to any shade garden. Flowers are white with heavy purple speckling on the petals, and appear when most other perennials are done flowering. Zone 4 (#5181)

