

LAYERING THE LANDSCAPE WITH SHADE-LOVING NATIVES

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PERENNIALS

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| | | | Sh = Shade | Shady Areas | Naturally |
| <i>Anemone virginiana</i> | Tall Thimbleweed | June-Aug | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Antennaria neglecta</i> | Field Pussytoes | Apr-June | S-ptSh | X | |
| <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> | Wild Columbine | Apr-June | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Jack-in-the-Pulpit | Apr-June | Shade | X | |
| <i>Aruncus dioicus</i> | Goat's Beard | June | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Asclepias exaltata</i> | Poke Milkweed | June-July | ptSh | X | |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Wild Ginger | Apr-June | Shade | X | |
| <i>Chrysogonum virginianum</i> | Green-and-Gold | Apr-May | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Conoclinium coelestinum</i> (no longer <i>Eupatorium coelestinum</i>) | Mistflower / Blue Boneset / Hardy Ageratum | July-Oct | S-ptSh | X | seeded |
| <i>Dodecatheon meadia</i> | Shooting Star | Apr-May | ptSh | X | |
| <i>Dicentra cucullaria</i> | Dutchman's Breeches | Apr-May | Shade | X | |
| <i>Dicentra eximia</i> | Fringed Bleeding Heart | April-May | ptSh | | |
| <i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> | Boneset | July-Sept | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Eupatorium serotinum</i> | Late-flowering Thoroughwort | Aug-Oct | S-ptSh | X | seeded |
| <i>Eurybia divaricata</i> | White Wood Aster | Aug-Sept | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> | Big Leaf Aster | Aug-Sept | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Eutrochium dubium</i> | Coastal Plain Joe Pye Weed | June-Sept | S-Sh | | |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> | Sweetscented Joe-pye-Weed | Aug-Sept | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Wild Geranium | April-June | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | White Avens | April-June | ptSh-Sh | X | X |
| <i>Helianthus divaricatus</i> | Woodland Sunflower | July-Sept | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Heuchera americana</i> | Alum Root | Sp-Sum | S-Sh | | |
| <i>Iris cristata</i> | Dwarf Crested Iris | April-May | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Lilium superbum</i> | Turk's Cap Lily | Jul-Aug | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> | Cardinal Flower | July-Sept | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> | Great Blue Lobelia | July-Sept | S-Sh | | |
| <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> | Canada Mayflower | May-Jun | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Mertensia virginica</i> | Virginia Bluebells | Apr-May | Shade | X | |
| <i>Packera aurea</i> | Golden Ragwort | Apr-June | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Packera paupercula</i> | Balsam Ragwort | May-Aug | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Penstemon digitalis</i> | Foxglove Beardtongue | Jun-Jul | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Phacelia bipinnatifida</i> | Fernleaf Phacelia | April-May | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Phlox divaricata</i> | Woodland Blue Phlox | Apr-Jun | Shade | X | |
| <i>Phytolacca americana</i> | Pokeweed | July-Aug | ptSh | X | X |
| <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> | Mayapple | Apr-Jun | Shade | X | |
| <i>Polemonium reptans</i> | Jacob's Ladder | Apr-May | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Polygonatum biflorum</i> | Smooth Solomon's-seal | May-Jun | Shade | X | |
| <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> | Black Eyed Susan (biennial) | June-Sept | S-Sh | | |
| <i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> | Cut Leaf Coneflower | Sum | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Salvia lyrata</i> | Lyre-leaved Sage | May-June | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Bloodroot | Mar-Apr | Shade | X | |
| <i>Scutellaria incana</i> | Hoary Skullcap | June-July | S-ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Sedum ternatum</i> | Woodland Stonecrop | May-June | ptSh-Sh | X | |

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| <i>Solidago caesia</i> | Bluestem (or Wreath) Goldenrod | Sum-Fall | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Solidago flexicaulis</i> | Zigzag Goldenrod | Sum-Fall | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Solidago rugosa</i> "Fireworks" | Rough-stemmed Goldenrod | Sept-Oct | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Spigelia marylandica</i> | Indian Pink | June | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Stylophorum diphyllum</i> | Celandine Poppy | Apr-Jun | Shade | X | |
| <i>Symphotrichum cordifolium</i> (no longer <i>Aster cordifolius</i>) | Common Blue Wood Aster | Aug-Sept | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Thalictrum pubescens</i> | Tall Meadow Rue | June-Aug | ptSh | X | |
| <i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> | Foamflower | May-June | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Tradescantia virginiana</i> | Virginia Spiderwort | Spring | S-Sh | | |
| <i>Vernonia noveboracensis</i> | NY Ironweed | Summer | S-Sh | X | seeded |
| <i>Vernonicatrum virginicum</i> | Culver's Root | June-Aug | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Viola sororia</i> | Common Blue Violet | Spring | S-Sh | X | X |
| <i>Viola labradorica</i> | Labrador Violet | June-Aug | S-ptSh | X | |
| <i>Zizia aurea</i> | Golden Alexanders | May-July | S-Sh | X | |

GRASSES

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---------|---|---|
| <i>Andropogon virginicus</i> | Broomsedge Bluestem | Sept-Nov | ptSh | X | X |
| <i>Carex nigromarginata</i> | Black-edged Sedge | Apr-June | S-ptSh | X | X |
| <i>Carex pensylvanica</i> | Pennsylvania Sedge | Apr-June | ptSh | X | |
| <i>Carex plantaginea</i> | Plantain-leaf Sedge | May | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Chasmanthium latifolium</i> | Indian Woodoats / N. Sea Oats | June-Sept | ptSh-Sh | X | |
| <i>Panicum virgatum</i> | Switchgrass | Aug-Sept | S-ptSh | X | |

FERNS

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------|----------|---------|---|--|
| <i>Adiantum pedatum</i> | N. Maidenhair Fern | June-Aug | Shade | X | |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Sensitive Fern | NA | S-Sh | X | |
| <i>Osmundo cinnamomea</i> | Cinnamon Fern | NA | Shade | X | |
| <i>Osmundo regalis</i> | Royal Fern | NA | Shade | | |
| <i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i> | Christmas Fern | June-Aug | ptSh-Sh | X | |

SHADE & SPECIMEN TREES

See Doug Tallamy's book, *Bringing Nature Home* (page 294)

UNDERSTORY TREES & SHRUBS (also see Tallamy's book, p. 294-295)

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| <i>Aesculus parviflora</i> | Bottlebrush Buckeye | June-July | Shade | to 10' | X | |
| <i>Aesculus pavia</i> | Red Buckeye | April-May | S-ptSh | 12-15' | X | |
| <i>Amelanchier canadensis</i> | Shadbush | April | S-Sh | to 25' | X | |
| <i>Aronia arbutifolia</i> | Red Chokeberry | April-May | S-ptSh | 6-10' | X | |
| <i>Aronia melanocarpa</i> | Black Chokeberry | May | S-ptSh | 3-5' | X | |
| <i>Calycanthus floridus</i> | Carolina Allspice | April-May | S-Sh | 6-9' | X | |
| <i>Ceanothus americanus</i> | New Jersey Tea | June | S-Sh | 2-3' | X | |
| <i>Celtis tenuifolia</i> | Dwarf Hackberry | Spring | S-Sh | 15-25' | X | X |

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| <i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> | Buttonbush | June-July | S-Sh | 5-12' | | |
| <i>Cercis canadensis</i> | Eastern Redbud | April-May | S-Sh | 12-25' | X | |
| <i>Chionanthus virginicus</i> | Fringe Tree | May-June | S-ptSh | 12-20' | X | |
| <i>Clethra alnifolia</i> | Sweet Pepperbush | July-August | S-Sh | 4-9' | X | |
| <i>Comptonia peregrina</i> | Sweetfern | Apr-May | S-Sh | 1-3' | | |
| <i>Cornus alterniflora</i> | Alternate-leaf Dogwood | May-June | S-Sh | 15-25' | X | |
| <i>Cornus amomum</i> | Silky Dogwood | May-June | S-Sh | 6-10' | X | |
| <i>Cornus florida</i> | White Flowering Dogwood | April-May | S-Sh | 20-40' | X | |
| <i>Cornus sericea</i> | Redosier Dogwood / Red Twig D. | May-June | S-ptSh | 7-9' | X | |
| <i>Diospyros virginiana</i> | Persimmon | June | S-Sh | 30-70' | X | X |
| <i>Euonymus americanus</i> | American Strawberry Bush | May-June | S-Sh | 2-7' | X | |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Witch Hazel | Sept-Dec | S-Sh | 8-20' | | |
| <i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> | Oakleaf Hydrangea | May-July | S-ptSh | 6-8' | | |
| <i>Ilex opaca</i> | American Holly | May | S-Sh | 15-40' | X | X |
| <i>Ilex verticillata</i> | Winterberry Holly | June | S-Sh | 6-10' | X | |
| <i>Itea virginica</i> | Virginia Sweetspire | June | S-Sh | 3-6' | X | |
| <i>Juniperus virginiana</i> | Eastern Red Cedar | Spring | S-Sh | 15-35' | X | X |
| <i>Lindera benzoin</i> | Spicebush | April | S-Sh | 8-15' | X | |
| <i>Magnolia virginiana</i> | Sweetbay Magnolia | June | S-ptSh | 20-60' | X | |
| <i>Morella cerifera</i> | Wax Myrtle | March-April | S-ptSh | 10-15' | X | |
| <i>Myrica pensylvanica</i> | Northern Bayberry | Spring | S-Sh | 2-6' | | |
| <i>Rhododendron periclymenoides</i> | Pinxterbloom Azalea | April-May | ptSh-Sh | 6-12' | X | |
| <i>Rhus copallina</i> | Winged Sumac | August | S-Sh | 4-10' | X | X |
| <i>Rosa carolina</i> | Carolina (or Pasture) Rose | June-July | S-ptSh | 3-6' | X | |
| <i>Sambucus canadensis</i> | Elderberry | June | S-Sh | 5-10' | X | |
| <i>Sassafras albidum</i> | Sassafras | April-June | S-Sh | 10-50' | X | X |
| <i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i> | Lowbush Blueberry | Spring | S-Sh | 2' | X | |
| <i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> | Highbush Blueberry | April-May | S-Sh | 3-12' | X | X |
| <i>Viburnum dentatum</i> | Arrowood Viburnum | June | S-Sh | 6-12' | X | X |
| <i>Viburnum nudum</i> | Possumhaw | May-June | S-ptSh | 6-10' | X | |
| <i>Viburnum prunifolium</i> | Blackhaw Viburnum | May-June | S-Sh | 12-15' | | |

VINES

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| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Virginia Creeper | May-June | S-Sh | 12" to 60' | X | X |