#### Plant list for Shade

#### **Bulbous Plants:**



## Snowdrops/*Galanthus* spp.

Very early flowering, average moisture, well-drained soil, part shade. Deer resistant. Does well under trees and shrubs.



# Winter Aconite/Eranthis spp.

Flowers when Snowdrops bloom, and works well as a companion plant since it thrives in the same growing conditions. Also deer resistant.



Crocus spp.

Grow in average, well-drained gritty soils in full sun to part shade. The earliest varieties show up just a little later than snowdrops.



#### Camas/Camassia spp.

Best grown in moist, fertile soils in full sun to part shade. Need winter and spring moisture, but dry conditions after bloom as the plants go dormant. 12-18 inches.





# Woodland Tulip/Tulipa sylvestris

8-10" tall. Very cold hardy. Fragrant blossoms. Naturalizes in open woods. Full sun to part shade. Moderate moisture. Drought tolerant when established.



## Daffodil/Narcissus spp.

8-12" Easily grown in average, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Best in organically rich loams.



## Glory of the Snow/Chionodoxa spp.

Plant chionodoxa in well-drained soil that is moist in spring, but never soggy. Sun to part shade. Naturalizes well. Deer and rodent resistant.



### Striped Squill/Pushkinia spp.

Blooms in early to mid-spring. An excellent naturalizing species, it thrives in sun to partial shade and is an excellent companion for Daffodils. Deer resistant.



## English or Spanish Bluebells/Hyathintoides spp.

Grows well in well-drained sandy soil in full sun to part shade. Blooms April to May. Particularly effective when naturalized under deciduous trees.



*Iris* spp

Easily grown in average, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Soil should stay relatively dry in summer, for the bulbs to set buds for the following year.



Lily, Lilium regale

Easily grown in average, medium, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Prefers rich, organic soils. More drought tolerant than many other types of lilies.



## Cyclamen hederifolium

Grow in dry to medium moist, well-drained soil in part shade. Plants go dormant in summer, flower in September, and stay green throughout the winter and spring



Trillium spp.

Thrives in part to full shade in woodland gardens with organicall rich soil.

Little to no supplemental summer water is required once the plant is established.



## Bloodroot/Sanguinaria spp.

Good for shady woodland or rock gardens where plants can be to naturalize. Blooms March to April in part to full shade. Drought tolerant. 6-9" tall.



## Solomon's Seal/Polygonatum odoratum

Good plant for dry shade. It has height, arching stems, varigation and flowers. It spreads but is not aggressive. Grows well under many different conditions. 2 ft.



## Fairybells/Prosartes and Disporum spp.

Grows well in part to full shade under trees. Water deeply occasionally in hot weather. Drought tolerant once established. 1-2' tall.



## Merrybells/*Uvularia* spp.

Merrybells have a clumping habit and like light to moderate shade in medium to moist fertile soil. Established plants are drought tolerant. 1-2' tall.



# Onion/Allium spp.

Grows well in average, medium, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Best in full sun, but appreciates light afternoon shade. Tolerates a wide range of soils.



#### Wild Ginger/Asarum spp.

Likes part to full shade and loose soils with good drainage. Likes dappled morning sun, and once established is drought tolerant. Up to 6" tall.



## Jack in the Pulpit/Ariseama spp.

Gro ws in fertile, medium to wet soil in part to full shade. Best left undisturbed. Blooms April-May. 1-2'



## Grecian Windflower/Anemone blanda

Likes organically rich, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Soak tubers in water overnight before planting. Naturalizes well. Early flowering. 6-9" tall.



# Frittilaria spp.

Easily grown in organically rich, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Long lived and naturalizes well. Blooms in April. Up to 1 foot tall.

#### Other Perennials:



# Monkshood/Aconitum spp.

Ivorine' produces creamy-ivory-white flowers, compact and well behaved. Full sun, partial shade (better in partial shade) and soil that is not too dry. 2-3'



# Bugbane/Actaea spp.

Easily grown in average, medium moist soils in part to full shade. Prefers organically rich, moisture-retentive soils. 4-5' tall.



## Lady's Mantle/Alchemilla spp.

Grow in full sun to part shade and average, alkaline soil. Cut back in early spring to clean up. Can be cut back after flowering to get second flowering.



# Goat's Beard/Aruncus spp.

Best grown in fertile, organically rich soils in full sun to part shade. Medium water needs. Flowers white in late May. 1-5'



# Columbine/Aquilegia spp.

Easily grown in average, medium, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Wide range of soil tolerance as long as drainage is good.



## Astilbe spp.

Needs medium moist, well-drained soils in part to full shade. Prefers organically rich soils. 'Federsee' has better tolerance for dry conditions. 1-2'



## Masterwort/Astrantia spp.

Likes organically rich, medium to wet but well-drained soils in part shade. Blooms early summer to fall. 1½-2.' Attracts butterflies.



## Siberian Bugloss/Brunnera spp.

Easily grown in average, medium moisture, well-drained rich soil in part shade. Grown primarily for foliage. Forget-me-not type flowers in April-May. 1- 11/2'



## Bleeding Heart/Dicentra spp.

Watered well during the first two years in your garden, it becomes drought tolerant. Blooms May-June. Up to a foot and a half high.



#### Bleeding Hearts/Lamprocapnos spp.

Does well in average, well-drained soil in part to full shade. A good companion for hostas and ferns. Flowers April-May. 2-3'.



#### Foxglove/Digitalis grandiflora

This is a long-lived perennial. Prefers average, medium moisture, well-drained, organically rich soils in part shade. Blooms from May into fall. 2-3'



#### Gentian/Gentiana aucalis

A dwarf, 4" tall, mat-forming, true blue-flowered perennial. Best in gravelly, well-drained soils, full sun to part shade. Quite drought tolerant once established.



## Geranium spp.

Grows in average, dry to medium wet, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Tolerates drought once established. Blooms throughout summer. 1-11/2'



## Hellebore/Helleborus spp.

Hellebores thrive in rich, moist, well-drained soil. Part shade works best. They dislike over watering and are drought-tolerant once established.



### Liverwort/Hepatica/Anemone spp.

Best grown in rich, moist but well-drained soils in part shade. Remove old leaves before late-winter flowering. Clump shaped evergreen. 6-9"



### Coral Bells/Heuchera cylindrica

Best grown in organically rich, medium moisture, well-drained soils in full sun to part shade. Blooms June into fall. 12 to 18" tall.



## Hosta plantaginea 'Grandiflora'

Easily grown in rich, organic, well-drained soils in part to full shade. drained soils in part shade to full shade. Scented flowers from August-September. 1 ½'.



#### Lamium spp.

Easily grown in average, dry to medium moisture, well-drained soils in part to full shade. Once established, it tolerates drought. Good for dry, shady areas. Up to 1'.



## Spring Vetch/Lathyrus vernus

A non-climbing perennial sweet pea. multi-stemmed, and clump-forming. Part to full shade. Well drained soil. Blooms in April. 12" high.



## Ligularia spp.

Best grown in rich, medium to wet soils in part to full shade. Prefers to not dry out. Blooms mid-summer. 2-3'.



# Lobelia spp.

Grows in rich, medium to wet soils in full sun to part shade. Blooms August-September. 2-3' tall. Attracts bees, butterflies, hummingbirds.



## Primrose/Primula spp.

Early spring blooms in many colors that grow in well-drained soil and part shade. Cold hardy. 6-10". 'Auricula' primroses do particularly well here.



## Lungwort/Pulmonaria spp.

Prefers cool, organically rich soils that are kept moist. Attractive spotted or silvery foliage for shady areas. Blue, pink, white blooms in early spring. Up to 14 " tall.



## Pasque Flower/Pulsatilla patens/Anemone patens

Best grown in gritty, dry to medium, well-drained soils in full sun to light shade. Good soil drainage is essential. Flowers start in early spring. Up to 1' tall.



# Purple Coneflower/Echinacea spp.

Easily grown in well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. An adaptable plant that is tolerant of drought, heat, humidity and poor soil. Flowers from June on. 2-5'



# Sedum/Hylotelephium spp.

Thrives in sandy to gravelly soils with moderate to low fertility. Tolerates light shade in hot summers. Flowers August-September. 1-2' tall.



## Foamflower/Tiarella spp.

Great plant for dry shade. It likes humus-rich, moist soil, but adapts to dry conditions. Blooms light up the shade, and foliage stays evergreen. Up to 1' high.

#### Groundcovers:



# Bugleweed/Ajuga 'Chocolate Chips'

May be planted under trees or around shrubs. Can be planted over spring bulbs such as snowdrops (*Galanthus*). Adapts to dryer soils and full sun part shade.



## Bishop's Hat/Epimedium spp.

Grows in average dry to medium, well-drained soils in part to full shade. Tolerates drought once established. Grows well under trees.



# Kinnikinnic/Arctostaphylos uva-ursi

Grows in dry to medium, well-drained, sandy or gritty soils in full sun or light shade. Does well in poor infertile soils. Drought tolerant once established.



### Japanese Spurge/Pachysandra spp.

A good evergreen ground cover in hard-to-plant areas with poor soil and tree shade. It competes well for nutrients. Drought tolerant once established.



# Cliff Green or Mountain Lover/Paxistima canbyi

Best grown in organically rich, well-drained soils in part shade. Also tolerates full sun. Thrives in rocky-sandy soils. Evergreen. 6-12' tall.

#### Climbers and Shrubs



## Clematis alpina spp.

Early, profuse bloomer. Likes afternoon shade, and flowers on old growth. Drought tolerant, and needs well-drained soil.



## Honeysuckle/ Lonicera spp.

Evergreen climber, flowers from June on in sun to part shade in any soil. Some moisture. 12 'and up. Hummingbirds love them.



# Serviceberry/Amelanchier spp.

Up to 10' tall. Fragrant white flowers in April attract butterflies. Edible fruit attracts birds. Likes part shade and dry to moist well-drained soil.



## Dogwood/Cornus mas

15-25' tall. Yellow flowers in March. Likes well-drained, organically rich soil and medium amounts of water. Attracts birds, but not deer. Does well in part shade.



## Kerria japonica picta

4-6' tall. Light to dark shade, drought tolerant. Rich to poor sandy and clay soils. Showy, variegated leaves and yellow spring flowers. Bright green winter stems.



## Ninebark/Physocarpus spp.

Ninebarks can tolerate shade and are moderately drought tolerant. Dense grows provides protective cover for birds. White flowers in mid-spring.



#### Oregon Boxleaf/Paxistima myrsinites

3' tall. Small, dark green evergreen leaves and tiny red flowers. Needs well-drained soil and not too much water. Sun to part shade.



#### Golden Currant/Ribes aureum

Tolerates a wide range of soils ranging from dry to seasonally flooded ones--poor soils, clay soils and drought. Sun to part shade. 3-7'tall.



## Highbush Cranberry/Viburnum trilobum

8-15' tall. Easily grown in average, moist, well-drained soils in part shade. Attracts butterflies, birds. White flower clusters in May-June. Bright red berries.

#### Ferns:



## Japanese Painted Fern/Athiryum spp.

12-18"Lady ferns are easily grown in rich, well-drained soil in part to full shade. Japanese Painted Fern tolerates drier soils better than many other ferns.



## Ostrich Fern/Mattucia struthiopteris

3' tall. Plant with early spring wildflowers which go dormant by when this fern is at full size. Easily grown in average, medium to wet soils in part to full shade.



## Sword Fern/Polysticum munitum

3' tall. Light to deep shade. Grows in chalk, clay, loam, sand, as well as acid, alkaline, and neutral soil. Evergreen. Good in even dry shade when established

#### Grasses:



Sedges/Carex spp.

Carex 'Evergold' prospers in dappled sun and well drained soil. Plants also tolerate dry shade and clay. 18-24 inches tall. Evergreen.



#### Northern Sea Oats/Chasmanthium latifolium

3-4'tall. Tolerant of poor soils, but prefers moist, fertile ones. Full sun to part shade. Can handle dry shade and adapts to most growing conditions.



#### Hakone Grass/Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola'

1-2' tall. Likes moist, well-drained soils of any kind in part shade. Is handsome in the garden from spring into fall. Very showy.



## Snowy Woodrush/Luzula nivea

1-2' Likes wet winters and dry summers. Grows in poor to moderately fertile, well-drained soil in part shade. Dense white flower clusters May-June. Evergreen.