

# PERENNIALS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

## PERENNIALS FOR SUNNY DRY AREAS

Aster  
Alyssum – A. 'Basket of Gold' or 'Gold Dust'  
Babys Breath – Gypsophila  
Beard-tongue – Penstemon  
Bellflower – Campanula  
Blanket Flower – Gaillardia  
Bugleweed – Ajuga  
Bugloss – Anchusa  
Campion – Lychnis  
Candytuft – Iberis  
Catmint – Nepeta  
Creeping Phlox – Phlox Subulata  
Daylily – Hemerocallis  
False Indigo - Baptisia spp.  
Flax – Linum  
German Iris – Iris germanica  
German Statice – Goniolimon  
Globe Thistle - Echinops  
Hens and Chicks – Sempervivum  
Lamb's Ear – Stachys  
Lavender – Lavendula  
Liatris  
Lily-of-the-Valley – Convallaria

Maltese Cross – Lychnis chalconica  
Marguerite – Anthemis  
Ornamental Onion – Allium  
Pinks – Dianthus spp.  
Pussytoes – Antennaria dioica  
Poppies – Papaver  
Rockcress – Aubrieta  
Rockrose – Helianthemum  
Rue – Ruta  
Russian Sage – Perovskia  
Sage – Salvia, Artemesia  
Sea Holly – Eryngium  
Snow-in-Summer – Cerastium  
Soapwort – Saponaria  
Spurge – Euphorbia  
Stonecrop – Sedum  
Sundrops – Oenothera  
Tickseed – Coreopsis  
Thrift – Armeria  
Thyme – Thymus  
Valerian – Centranthus rubra  
Yarrow – Achillea  
Yucca

## PERENNIALS FOR GROUNDCOVER IN SUNNY AREAS

Bugleweed – Ajuga  
Cliffgreen – Paxistima canbyi  
Fleeceflower – Polygonum affine  
Hens and Chicks – Sempervivum  
Japanese Spurge – Pachysandra terminalis  
Kinnickinnick – Arctostaphylos uva-ursi  
Phlox (Creeping) – Phlox stolonifera  
Pinks – Dianthus deltoides  
Snow-In-Summer – Cerastium tomentosum  
Soapwart – Saponaria ocymoides  
Speedwell – Veronica repens, V. whiteleyi, V. incana  
Stonecrop—Sedum  
Thyme—Thymus pseudolanuginosus (Wooly Thyme)

## PERENNIALS FOR GROUNDCOVER IN SHADY AREAS

Anemone—Anemone sylvestris  
Bergenia  
Creeping Jenny—Lysimachia nummularia  
Fern—Ostrich Fern  
Goutweed—Aegopodium  
Hosta—Hosta  
Lady's Mantle—Alchemilla mollis  
Lamium—Lamium  
Lily of the Valley—Convallaria majalis  
Periwinkle—Vinca  
Sweet Woodruff—Galium odoratum

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## PERENNIALS THAT TOLERATE WET SOILS

Astilbe 'Superba',  
Beebalm—*Monarda didyma*  
Bergenia—*Bergenia cordifolia*  
Bugbane—*Cimicifuga simplex*  
Butterflyweed - *Asclepias incarnata*  
Cardinal flower—*Lobelia cardinalis*  
Creeping Jenny—*Lysimachia nummularia*  
Matteucia struthiopteris—Ostrich Fern  
Osmunda regalis—Royal Fern  
Fleeceflower—*Polygonum bistorta*  
Forget-Me-Not—*Myosotis*  
Globeflower—*Trollius*  
Goatsbeard—*Aruncus dioicus*  
Gooseneck Loosestrife - *Lysimachia clethroides*  
Hosta—*Hosta sieboldiana* and *H. undulata*  
*Hosta fortunei* 'Albopicto' or 'Aurea'  
Iris—*Iris ensata*  
Iris—Yellow flag and blue flag  
Iris—*Iris sibirica*

Japanese Spurge—*Pachysandra terminalis*  
Joe Pye Weed—*Eupatorium*  
Ligularia—*Ligularia*  
Marsh Marigold—*Caltha palustris*  
Meadowsweet—*Filipendula*  
Obedient Plant—*Physostegia virginiana*  
Rhubarb—*Rheum palmatum*  
Primrose—*Primula* spp.  
Ribbon Grass—*Phalaris arundinacea*  
Rodgersia—*Rodgersia aesculifolia*, *R. pinnata*, *R. tabularis*  
Sneezeweed—*Helenium autumnale*  
Sweet Woodruff—*Galium*  
Turtlehead—*Chelone*  
Loosestrife—*Lysimachia*

## PERENNIALS FOR ROCK GARDENS

Alyssum—*Alyssum saxatile*  
Aster—*Aster alpinus*  
Bellflower—*Campanula carpatica*, *C. cochlearifolia*  
Bitterroot—*Lewisia*  
Blue Flax—*Linum*  
Calamint—*Calamintha*  
Campion—*Lychnis alpina*, *Silene acaulis*, *Silene schafta*  
Candytuft—*Iberis*  
Columbine—*Aquilegia alpina*, *A. flabellata*  
Cranesbill—*Geranium sanguineum*, *G. cinereum*, *G. dalmaticum*  
Creeping Baby's Breath—*Gypsophila repens*  
Edelweiss—*Leontopodium alpinum*  
Forget-me-not—*Myosotis alpestris*  
Gentian—*Gentiana* spp.  
Hens and Chicks—*Sempervivum*  
Iris, Dwarf—*Iris pumila*, *Iris setosa*  
Lady's Mantle—*Alchemilla alpina*, *A. erythropoda*  
Lewisia—*Lewisia cotyledon*

Pasque-Flower—*Anemone pulsatilla*  
Phlox, Creeping—*Phlox subulata*, *P. borealis*, *P. douglasii*  
Poppy, Alpine—*Papaver alpinum*  
Primrose—*Prumula auriculata*  
Pussytoes—*Antennaria*  
Rockcress—*Aubrieta*  
Rockfoil—*Saxifraga*  
Sandwort—*Arenaria montana*  
Shooting Stars—*Dodecatheon meadia*  
Silver Mound—*Artemesia schmidtiana*  
Snow-in-Summer—*Cerastium*  
Soapwort—*Saponaria ocymoides*  
Speedwell—*Veronica repens*, *V. prostata*  
Stonecrop—*Sedum*  
Sunrose—*Helianthemum*  
Thrift—*Armeria maritima*, *A. juniperifolia*  
Thyme—*Thymus*  
Tunic Flower—*Tunica saxifraga*  
Viola—*Viola* spp

# PERENNIALS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

## PERENNIALS FOR SHADE

Astilbe—Astilbe spp.  
Bleeding Heart - Dicentra  
Bugbane or Snakeroot—Cimicifuga  
Columbine—Aquilegia  
Coralbells—Heuchera  
Corydalis—Corydalis  
False Lamium—Lamiastrum  
Ferns  
Foxglove - Digitalis  
Globeflower—Trollius  
Goatsbeard—Aruncus  
Hellebore - Helleborus  
Hosta—Hosta spp.  
Lady's Mantle—Alchemilla mollis

Lamium—Lamium spp.  
Leopard's Bane—Doronicum cordatum  
Ligularia - Ligularia spp  
Lily of the Valley—Convallaria  
Loosestrife—Lysimachia  
Lungwort—Pulmonaria  
Meadowrue—Thalictrum  
Meadowsweet—Filipendula  
Primrose—Primula  
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Toad Lily - Tricyrtis hirta

## PERENNIALS FOR SHADY DRY AREAS

Anemone - Anemone sylvestris  
Bishop's Hat – Epimedium x rubrum  
Bergenia  
Bleeding Heart – Dicentra exima  
Bunchberry – Cornus canadensis  
Fern, Male – Dryopteris filix-mas  
Fox glove – Digitalis grandiflora  
Goutweed – Aegopodium (invasive)  
Hosta  
Japanese Spurge – Pachysandra  
Lamium – Lamium maculatum  
Lily-of-the-Valley – Convallaria majalis  
Periwinkle – Vinca

## PERENNIALS FOR HEAVY SHADE AND MOIST SOILS

Bishop's Hat—Epimedium  
Bunchberry—Cornus canadensis  
Bugleweed—Ajuga  
Fern—Osmunda royalis (Royal), Matteucia struthiopteris (Ostrich Fern)  
Hosta—Hosta  
Japanese Spurge—Pachysandra terminalis  
Lamium—Lamium maculatum  
Lily of the Valley—Convallaria majalis  
Lungwort—Pulmonaria  
Meadow Rue—Thalictrum  
Meadowsweet—Filipendula  
Periwinkle—Vinca  
Solomon's Seal—Polygonatum  
Wintergreen—Gaultheria procumbens

