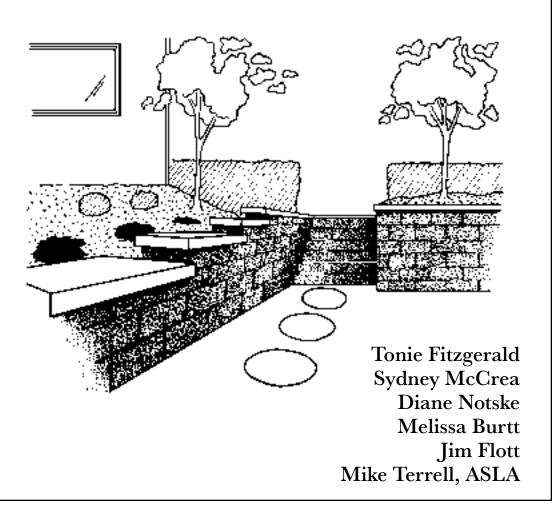
Landscape Plants for the Inland Northwest

Including Native and Adapted Plants



GROUNDCOVERS

Achillea tomentosa Evergreen Groundcover 8" S
Woolly Yarrow Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable. Good for dry, exposed locations. Fire retardent, fernlike leaves are light olive green.

Flat clusters of yellow flowers cover foliage in spring. Remove faded flowers. Space 6" to 12" apart.

Aegopodium podagraria Deciduous Groundcover 12" S/PSH/SH

Bishop's Weed or Gout Weed Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Good for difficult growing situations, but can become invasive and hard to control.

'Variegata' leaves are gray-green edged with white. Space clumps 18"-24" apart.

Ajuga reptans Evergreen Groundcover 9" S/PSH/SH

Ajuga or Carpet Bugle Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable, but grows best in moist, well-drained soil with sun or partial sun. There are varieties with

green, bronze, or plum-colored leaves with blue flower spikes, though some varieties have white flowers. The flowers rise 4"-6" above the foliage in late spring. Remove or mow them after flowering.

Fast growing. Space 6"-12" apart for groundcover.

Anemone sylvestris Deciduous Groundcover 12" PSH

Snowdrop Anemone Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers moist, well drained conditions. Avoid wet clay soils, which encourage root

rot. Attractive foliage. White, nodding, fragrant flowers bloom in late April through July. Limited

availability, usually through catalogs. Can be started from seed. Space 12" apart.

Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Evergreen Groundcover 12" S/PSH

Kinnikinnick Native Zone: 2

Comments: Likes poor, sandy soils, Slow to establish, but eventually forms sturdy mats of small, glossy green

leaves with bright red-orange berries. Space 3' apart.

Arenaria & Sagina subulata Evergreen Groundcover 12" PSH

Irish and Scotch Moss Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Likes a moist, rich soil. Best in small applications and between stepping stones. Gold forms are more

sun tolerant. Dense mounds with tiny white flowers. Space 12" apart.

Armeria maritima Evergreen Groundcover 6" S/PSH

Thrift or Sea Pink Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Likes poor, dry, well-drained soils. Needs afternoon shade. Neat and tidy habit. Grasslike foliage.

Pink, white or red flowers bloom in spring and fall. Remove faded flowers. Space 12" apart.

Asarum caudatum Evergreen Groundcover 4" PSH/SH Wild Ginger Native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers rich soil high in humus. A prostrate, perennial evergreen groundcover

found in damp areas near streams with grand fir and sword fern. Unusual brownish-purple flowers,

bloom under foliage. Use in the shady areas of the rock garden. Space 18" apart.

Asarum europeanum Evergreen Groundcover 6" PSH/SH European Ginger Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained and fertile soil. Dark green round leaves appear polished. Slow grower.

Excellent for woodland areas in combination with ferns and other fine textured plants. Occasional

winter damage in Zone 5. Space 12" apart.

Astilbe chinensis 'Pumila' Deciduous Groundcover 12" PSH
Dwarf Astilbe Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist, well-drained soil. Can be drought tolerant when established. Fast growing dwarf form

of the popular astilbe. Flowers are short lilac-rose colored spikes in August/September. Undemanding

and will tolerate dry shade. Foliage dies back to ground in winter. Space 12" apart.

Aubrieta deltoidea Evergreen Groundcover 6" S/PSH
Aubrieta / Rock Cress Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers well drained, alkaline soil. Red or purple flowers with soft gray-green foliage. Shear after

flowering. Long-lasting, vivid color for spring. Space 12" apart.

Aurinia saxatilis (Alyssum saxatile) Evergreen Groundcover 12" S/PSH

Basket-of-Gold Alyssum Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable. Drought tolerant. Bright yellow flowers in May with silver-gray foliage. Prune back

hard after flowering to prolong life and to keep more compact and tidy. Space 24" apart. Also listed

under Rock Garden Plants.

Cerastium tomentosum Evergreen Groundcover 6" S/PSH

Snow-In-Summer Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Likes an ordinary, well drained soil. Distinct grayish-green foliage with white flowers during June. Easy to

grow. Can become invasive. Remove dead flower heads. Will take vigorous pruning. Space 24" apart.

Convallaria majalis Herbaceous Groundcover 8" S/PSH/SH

Lily-of-the-Valley Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a good organic soil. Fragrant, waxy, bell-like flower on upright spikes. Foliage dies to ground

in fall. Slugs can be a problem. All plant parts are poisonous. Plant pips 18" apart.

Cornus canadensis S-Evergreen Groundcover 6" SH/PSH
Bunchberry Native Zone: 2

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Comments: Dogwood groundcover that is slow to establish, needs shade and acidic soil for best results. Dark green

leaves. White dogwood flowers are followed by clusters of red berries. Foliage turns red in fall. Space

12" apart.

26 Groundcovers

Coronilla varia Deciduous Groundcover 2' S/PSH
Crown Vetch Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable. An aggressive utility groundcover. May be hard to eradicate once established. Lavender-

pink flowers all summer followed by brown seed pods. Mow, feed, and water in pring to rejuvenate. Dries out in early fall and dies back in winter. Used in reclamation. Plant divisions 18" apart.

Corydalis lutea Deciduous Groundcover 8" PSH/SH
Yellow Corydalis Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Does best in well drained soil that is slightly alkaline. Adaptable to semishade to full sun if kept

consistently moist. Fernlike foliage. Yellow flowers in late May through August. Good in rockeries

and for naturalizing. Readily reseeds.

Cotoneaster apiculatus S-Evergreen Groundcover 1 ½ x 4 S
Cranberry Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Adaptable but prefers moist, well-drained soil. Once established, will tolerate drought. Works well in

high pH soil conditions. Bears large, attractive red berries. Good for planting on banks. Space 3–5'

apart. See Cotoneaster General Comments. Also listed under SHRUBS 1 1/2'-4'.

Cotoneaster adpressus S-Evergreen Groundcover 1 ½ x 6 S
Creeping Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moist, well drained soil. Compact and rigidly branched. Glossy leaves

with pink flowers and red berries. See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cotoneaster dammeriEvergreenGroundcover1 1/2' x 6'SBearberry CotoneasterNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: 'Coral Beauty'—soil adaptable but grows best in rocky, sandy, organic soils that are well drained.

Attractive round dark green leaves. Produces tiny white flowers in June. A profusion of coral-red berries follow. Plant 3 to 5' apart. 'Lowfast'—among the hardiest of the species. Soil adaptable if well drained. Avoid clay. Good dark glossy green foliage. Similar to 'Coral Beauty'. See Cotoneaster

General Comments.

Dianthus deltoidesDeciduousGroundcover8"SMaiden PinkNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers well drained soil. Low, spreading mats of foliage are smothered by single flowers in summer.

Several color strains available. May self-seed. Plant 12–18" apart.

Dianthus graianopolitanusDeciduousGroundcover2-12"SCheddar PinksNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers well drained soil. 'Tiny Rubies', a slow growing form, forms a very short, 1" mat of tiny bluish

leaves with pink flowers in July. Good for small areas. Variety 'Bath's Pink' is taller, to 6", with bluish foliage and very fragrant single pink flowers that bloom in June. Several other good varieties available.

Plant 12-18" apart.

Epimedium species Deciduous Groundcover 12" PSH/SH
Barrenwort Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist and fertile sites. Unusual semi-evergreen heartshaped foliage. A slow base

Prefers moist and fertile sites. Unusual semi-evergreen heartshaped foliage. A slow basal spreader with starry pink or youllow flowers, depending on variety. Good for shady woodland areas. Plant 12" apart.

Eriogonum niveum 'Umatilla' Deciduous Groundcover 30" S
Umatilla Snow Buckwheat Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: A spreading groundcover to small shrub has gray leaves and stems capped by attractive white flowers

in late summer. Grow best in full sun in well drained, loose, gravelly soil. Very drought tolerant once

established, needing very little water and no fertilizer. Plant 24" apart.

Eriogonum umbellatum Deciduous Groundcover 24" S Sulfurflower Native Zone: 4

Comments: Grows best in well drained, loose, gravelly soil. Drought tolerant plant with attractive clusters of bright

yellow blossoms in mid-summer. Good plant for the front of perennial gardens and borders. Use with

natives and drought tolerant perennials. Plant 18" apart.

Euonymus fortunei 'Colorata' Evergreen Groundcover 13" S/PSH
Purple-Leaf Wintercreeper Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Requires ample water. Thick, green leaves with nonspectacular white flowers

in June and July. Spring and fall foliage is purple tinged. Highly susceptible to scale and weevil insects in this area. To rejuvenate, cut or mow back in spring before new growth starts. Space

1' apart for fast cover.

Festuca ovina var. glauca Evergreen Groundcover 10" S
Blue Fescue Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Prefers dry, light, well drained soils. Forms tufted mounds of light gray-blue foliage. Nice for edging

or as an accent. Sometimes used as rock plants or a groundcover on a limited basis. Space 12" apart.

Fragaria Deciduous Groundcover 6" S/PSH
Strawberry Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained soil. Special ornamental varieties such as 'Pink Panda' with pink flowers

and 'Lipstick' with red flowers are unique and adapt well to garden conditions. They spread quickly

by runners. Small fruits are edible. Plant 12" apart.

Galium odoratum Herbaceous Groundcover 6" PSH/SH

Sweet Woodruff Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Grows best in moist, fertile soils, but will tolerate drought once established. Interesting green whorled

leaves with fragrant white flowers. Good under rhododendrons and other broadleaf evergreens. Space

12" apart.

28 Groundcovers

Genista pilosa 'Vancouver Gold'Semi-EvergreenGroundcover8"SDwarf BroomNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Tolerates poor soils but needs good drainage. Small yellow flowers profusely borne in early summer.

Do not transplant once established. Cultivars: 'Vancouver Gold'—6" x 3', creeping-trailing habit. Dark green foliage-golden yellow pea-like flowers; 'Royal Gold'—18" x 2'—compact low habit.

Golden yellow flowers in July.

Geranium sanguineumDeciduousGroundcover1'S/PSHCranesbillNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but needs good drainage. Rose, blue, purple, white, or pink flowers throughout

summer. Attractive, finely cut foliage. Several varieties and cultivars. Drought tolerant once estab-

lished. Space 8-12" apart.

Hedera helixEvergreenGroundcover6"S/PSH/SHEnglish IvyNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but produces best results in rich, fairly moist, organic, well drained soil. Plant in a site

protected from winter sun and winds, which often cause leaf burn. Varieties 'Baltica' and 'Thorndale'

are hardy in this region. Space 12-18" apart.

Hosta (various species) Herbaceous Groundcover Variable PSH/SH Hosta/Plantain Lily Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Tolerates poor soil but prefers moist, well drained, organic conditions. Grown for attractive bold

foliage, which ranges in color from gold, green, blue to blue-gray. Some variegated forms. Good for shady borders, woodland, and waterside plantings. Will grow over tree roots. There are 20 or more

species. Many catalogs and nurseries offer good selections. Space 2-3' apart.

Iberis sempervirens Evergreen Groundcover 9" S/PSH

Evergreen Candytuft Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Tolerates poor soil, but prefers good drainage. Dark green leaves. White flowers with 1 ½ heads in

May/June. Remove flower heads after flowering. Prune heavily to keep compact. Space 2' apart.

Juniperus chinensisEvergreenGroundcover8" x 10'SJapanese Garden JuniperNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Variety 'procumbens' has handsome sharp-needled foliage. Slow growing. Dwarf forms 'Nana'

or 'Greenmound' available. Space centers 6' apart. See Juniperus general comments.

Juniperus chinensis 'Old Gold'EvergreenGroundcover3' x 4'S/PSHOld Gold JuniperNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained soil. Grows best in full sun. A compact form with green-gold foliage that

retains its color throughout winter. Nice color contrast. Susceptible to blight. Space centers 3 1/2-4'

apart. 'Gold Coast' is a similar variety. Also listed under SHRUBS, 1 1/2-4'.

Juniperus horizontalis (varieties)EvergreenGroundcoverVariesSCreeping JuniperNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments:

Low groundcover, adaptable to sandy and rocky soils, tolerating hot, dry, sunny locations: used for slope plantings and facer evergreens, groundcovers, masses. 'Emerald Spreader'—one of the best groundcover types of junipers. Exceedingly low, ground hugging form with fine emerald green foliage that gives it a full, feathery appearance. Space centers 4' apart. 'Prince of Wales'—very procumbent, 4–6" high, bright green with bluish tinge in summer, purplish plum in winter. Densely branched. Woody, open centers often develop on mature plants. Space centers 4–6' apart. 'Webberi'—extremely low, mat-like, spreading form of fine texture, bluish green foliage, 1' by 6–8'. Space centers 5–6' apart. 'Wiltoni ('Blue Rug')—very prostrate with intense silver-blue foliage which turns a light purplish tinge in winter. Fairly fast growing. Attractive gray-blue berry. Woody, open centers often develop on mature plants. Space 4–6' apart.

Juniperus sabinaEvergreenGroundcoverVariesSSavin Juniper (varieties)Non-nativeZone: 3

Comments:

Drought tolerant evergreen shrub once established. Junipers can spread very widely and should be used in areas where they have a lot of room. Good for use on slopes for stabilization or as evergreen accent in shrub borders. Junipers don't take pruning well, leaving exposed dead areas when pruned too deeply. See Juniperus General Comments. Groundcover varieties include: 'Arcadia'—bright green foliage with soft texture. Very hardy. Blight resistant, open spreader. Space 4' on center. 'Broadmoor'—dwarf, low-spreading with foliage that is soft grayish green and is resistant to juniper blight. 2–3' tall by 10' wide or more. 'Buffalo'—feathery branches with consistent green foliage even in winter. Very hardy and vigorous. 12" tall by 8' in 10 years. Space 6' on center. Also listed under Low-Growing Shrubs. 'Calgary Carpet'—a dense, low-spreading juniper with light green foliage. Attractive, compact form. Space 5' on center. 'Skandia'—low growing and dense. Foliage is a pale gray-green. 1' tall by 4' wide. Resistant to blight. Very hardy. var tamariscifolia. Neatly mounded and spreading with layered branching of upturned, feathery foliage. Rich deep blue-green. Space 6–10' apart. 18" tall by 10–20' in 10 years.

Juniperus virginiana 'Silver Sprd.'EvergreenGroundcover3' x 8'S/PSHSilver Spreader JuniperNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments:

Prefers a moist, well drained soil. Grows best in full sun. Fast growing variety with silvery blue foliage. Feathery and fine textured. Older branches become dark green. Space 4' apart. See Juniperus General Comments. Also listed under SHRUBS, 1 1/2–4'.

Lamium maculatumDeciduousGroundcover12"S/PSH/SHLamiumNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments:

Prefers a rich soil, but will tolerate poor ones. Keep moist if in full sun. Prefers shade. Medium green leaves with a central silver marking. Purple, pink or white flowers appear in May. Shear flowers after blooming to retain a denser cover. Space 18" apart.

Linnaea borealis Evergreen Groundcover 4' PSH/SH Twinflower Native Zone: 2

Comments:

Requires moist, organic soil. Common carpet on dense forest floors. Woody stem sprawls along ground. Small round leathery leaves. Pink "twin" flowers are borne on small stems in June and July, giving this groundcover its name. Space 18" apart.

Deciduous 2-3' x 15'+ S Lonicera japonica 'Halliana' Groundcover Hall's Japanese Honeysuckle Non-native Zone: 5

Soil-adaptable and drought tolerant once established. Pure white flowers, which change to yellow, Comments:

are very fragrant. Vigorous grower-can be invasive. Best used on banks or for erosion control. Prune heavily annually in early spring to keep dry undergrowth from building up. Space 3' apart. Also listed

under VINES.

Groundcover S Lysimachia nummularia Herbaceous Zone: 3 Non-native **Creeping Jennie**

Prefers moist soil. Neat foliage with yellow flowers in summer. Can become invasive. Avoid using near **Comments:**

rock gardens. Space 10-12" apart.

1' x 3' Groundcover S/PSH Mahonia repens Evergreen Zone: 2 Creeping Oregon Grape Native

Comments: Evergreen groundcover with leaves that are glossy, dark green and less spiny than M. aquifolium.

Yellow flowers in May followed by purple berries. Very hardy and drought tolerant. Leaves can

winter burn when exposed to cold dry winter winds. Space 2' apart.

8" PSH/SH Pachysandra terminalis Evergreen Groundcover Japanese Spurge Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers a moist, slightly acid soil. Keep well watered. Handsome green leathery foliage with white

flowers. Good under trees and beneath shrubs in shady locations. Slow growing. Leaves will turn

yellowish if planted in too much sun. Space 12" apart.

6" S Deciduous Penstemon pinifolius Groundcover Creeping Red Penstemon Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Small groundcover suitable for rock gardens or as a low border plant. Very drought tolerant. Flowers

are coral to scarlet. Space 8-12" apart.

1' Phlox longifolia Deciduous Groundcover Sun

Long-leafed Phlox Native Zone: 4

Comments: Weak stemmed, pink-flowered plant that climbs up into the branches of sagebrush or other plants.

The narrow leaves are 1–3 inches long compared to the short, close-spaced, prickly leaves of the cushion and mat-forming species; it may be quite hairy and/or sticky or free of hairs altogether; and it varies in height from only a few inches tall to well over a foot. Look for these bright flowers in late

April and May or, at higher elevations in the Cascades, on into mid-summer. Space 8-10" apart.

Phlox subulata S/PSH Evergreen Groundcover Non-native Zone: 2 Creeping Phlox/Moss Phlox

Likes a loose soil that is neutral to slightly alkaline. Once established is drought tolerant. A thick mat **Comments:**

of color in May. Available in white, pink, purple, blue, and red. Cut back or mow plants after flower-

ing. Space 18" apart.

16" Potentilla fruitcosa 'Yellow Gem' Deciduous Groundcover S/PSH

Cinquifoil Non-native Zone: 3

Prefers well drained soil. An outstanding low, spreading shrub suitable for large plantings. Plant 24" Comments:

apart. Ruffled yellow-gold flowers.

3" S Potentilla tabernaemontanii Evergreen Groundcover

Spring Cinquefoil Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a light, well drained soil. A mat-forming plant with bright yellow flowers in April and May.

Space 18" apart. Can be invasive.

3" Potentilla verna aurea Deciduous Groundcover S/PSH

Dwarf Cinquifoil Non-native Zone: 5

Prefers moisture and well drained soils. Rich dark strawberry like foliage forms low, handsome **Comments:**

mounds covered with golden flowers in early summer. Plant 12" apart.

Variable S/PSH Sedum (species) Evergreen Groundcover

Sedum/Stonecrop Non-native Zone: varies

Prefers ordinary, well drained soil. Tolerates alkaline conditions and drought. Six hundred species. **Comments:**

Grown for flowers, texture, leaf color, and shape. A good succulent for rock gardens and dry walls.

Space 6–8" apart. Some varieties invasive. Also listed under Rock Garden Plants.

Sempervivum tectorum Evergreen Groundcover Variable S/PSH/SH

Hens and Chicks Non-native Zone: 5

Adaptable. likes ordinary, well drained soil. Drought-tolerant. This is a rosette-forming succulent. **Comments:**

Good for groundcover in small areas. Space 6-8" apart. Also listed under Rock Garden Plants.

Stachys byzantina Deciduous Groundcover 1' x 3' S/PSH

Lamb's Ear Non-native Zone: 4

Adaptable to most soils. Soft, woolly gray leaves shaped like a lamb's ear. Planted for its foliage color **Comments:**

and texture. Unremarkable purple flower spikes in June. Space 1 foot apart.

S Thymus lanuginosus Evergreen Groundcover

Woolly Thyme Zone: 4 Non-native

Comments: Soil adaptable. Forms flat mat of stems densely covered with small gray leaves. The leaves have fine

hairs giving them a woolly appearance. Seldom flowers. Excellent in rock gardens and often used

between stepping stones. Space 10" apart.

S Deciduous Groundcover Thymus praecox

Zone: 4 Mother-of-Thyme Non-native

Comments: Adaptable, excellent mat forming groundcover with small purplish white flowers in clusters appear

June-September. Can be used between stepping stones and in dry, sunny areas. Space 10" apart.

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Thymus pseudolanuginosus Evergreen Groundcover 1" S/PSH Woolly Thyme Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Needs well drained soil. Forms a thick mat of tiny leaves that are gray and woolly. Rosy purple flowers

in late May. A good groundcover for small areas. Nice around stepping stones. Space plants 6-10"

apart and water regularly to establish.

Tiarella cordifolia Deciduous Groundcover 12" PSH/SH
Foamflower Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained and fertile soil. Foamy white flower spikes bloom above attractive maple-

like leaves for 4–6 weeks in mid-spring. Plants spread by runners and look wonderful in woodland gardens. Many varieties becoming available with intersting leaf and flower variations. Plant 18" apart.

Veronica peduncularisDeciduousGroundcover12"S/PSHCreeping SpeedwellNon-nativeZone: 6

Comments: Prefers moist and well drained soil. 'Georgia Blue' and 'Waterperry' are two excellent new varieties

which spread rapidly and cover themselves with small round blue and white flowers in summer.

Leaves die back in winter. Plant 12" apart.

Vinca minorEvergreenGroundcover5"S/PSH/SHPeriwinkleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Grown in ordinary, well drained soils. Leaves are dark and glossy. Blue flowers appear from March

through July. A prostrate, creeping vine that does not twine. Stems root easily. Control weeds with mulch until cover is established. Space about 1-2' apart, depending on the size of the clump.

Viola labradorica var. purpurea Deciduous Groundcover 4"

Labrador Violet Non-native Zone: 5

Commetns: Like moist and fertile soil. Small heart-shaped leaves are deep purple when they open and lighten

in the summer. Violet purple flowers bloom profusely in spring and occasionally through the season.

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Spreads by creeping rootstocks and will self-seed. Nice for woodland settings.

Waldsteinia fragarioides Deciduous Groundcover 5" S/PSH

Barren Strawberry Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Needs an average to rich soil. Water amply. A nonfruit-bearing variety. Glossy bright green leaves

turn copper in fall. Yellow flowers in spring. Plant 6–10" apart.

LOW SHRUBS—1 1/2 TO 4 FEET

Andromeda polifolia Evergreen Low Shrub 1' x 2' S/PSH Bog Rosemary Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a moist, cool, organic soil with an acid pH. Pinkish white, urn-shaped flowers in May. Small,

textured, silvery green foliage. Effective in massed plantings. Very hardy.

Artemisia frigidaEvergreenLow Shrub18" x 18"SFringed SageNativeZone: 3

Comments: Beautiful plant with a habit that ranges from groundcover to small shrub. Silvery grey foliage invites

the touch. Well behaved and very drought tolerant, a good plant for dry gravelly slopes, larger rock gardens and as an accent in association with other native plants and drought tolerant shrubs. Native

to central Washington.

Artemisia rigida Deciduous Low Shrub 12–15" S Stiff Sagebrush Native Zone: 4

Comments: Natural habitat is saturated soil in spring, hot, dry soils in summer. Rounded form. Erect stems from

woody base. Leaves have fine gray hairs; deeply divided into 3-5 narrow segments. Upper leaves may

be undivided. Yellow flowers in leaf axils. Used as a winter browse by deer.

Artemisia tripartita Evergreen Low Shrub S
Cut-Leaf Sagebrush Native Zone: 3

Comments: Requires dry, well drained soil. Similar habit to *Artemisia tridentata*—(listed in medium-tall shrubs),

but generally smaller. Grey fragrant leaves are deeply cleft into three divisions. Small white flower clusters.

Berberis thunbergii Deciduous Low Shrub Varies S/PSH
Barberry Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: 'Aurea'—3' x 3'—Pshade. Bright yellow foliage. Slow growing form with an upright, open habit.

Makes an interesting hedge. Good for color contrast in groupings and as a specimen in the shrub border. This is one barberry that does not do well in sun. 'Crimson Pygmy'—2' x 3'—Sun. Nice red foliage which needs sun to retain color. Its compact horizontal branches are vulnerable to breakage. Good as small hedge or low barrier or in massed plantings. Thorny. Excellent small shrub with color accent. See Berberis. 'Kobold'—2' x 3'—Pshade. Similar to 'Crimson Pygmy' Barberry, but leaves are a rich green. Full, mounded form, which makes an excellent low hedge. 'Monomb'—4' x 4'—Sun. Compact branches can make an excellent low hedge, barrier planting or small specimen. Deep crimson foliage; red berries in fall and winter. 'Rose Glow'—3' x 3'—Sun. Burgundy leaves mottled with pink and white. Outstanding long-lasting fall color. Use as accent and in mass plantings.

Buxus microphylla var. koreana Evergreen Low Shrub 3' x 4' S/PSH Korean Boxwood Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Requires well drained soil. Small and light green leaves. Cultivar: 'Wintergreen'—Hardier than *Buxus sempervirens* 'Suffruticosa.' Shallow roots need mulching. Holds color well over winter. Excellent small

hedge. Takes pruning well. Cultivar: 'Winter Gem'—Moderate growth to 4 to 6' tall and as wide.

Buxus sempervirens 'Suffruticosa' Evergreen Low Shrub 2' x 2' PSH Common Dwarf Boxwood Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers well-drained soil. Shallow roots need mulching. Small, oval, light green leaves.

Protect from winter sun and winds, as leaf burn is common. An exceptionally compact small hedge

for protected area. Withstands pruning well, but is very slow growing.

Caragana frutex 'Globosa' Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S Globe Peashrub Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, prefers well-drained soil. Compound leaf with 4 dark green leaflets. Bright yellow pea-like

flowers in May/June. Does not sucker. Can be used as a formal hedge or small specimen plant.

Caragana pygmaeaDeciduousLow Shrub3' x 5'SPygmy PeashrubNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a well-drained soil—is drought tolerant. Fine textured light-green foliage. Yellow pea-like

flowers produced in May, followed by small pods. Use as a low informal or clipped hedge.

Caryopteris x clandonensis Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S/PSH Bluebeard or Blue-Mist Spiraea Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable to different soil types. Interesting contrasting foliage, dull gray-green above, silvery beneath.

Small clusters of skyblue flowers August to frost. Flowers along top half of all branches. Very showy, valuable garden shrub. Prune back to 12" in spring. Loose, rounded and open. May die back to ground in severe winters, but will regrow. Great accent! Cultivars: 'Dark Knight' similar to Blue Mist,

except the flowers are deep bluish purple; 'Worcester Gold' —foliage yellow, blue flowers.

Chaenomeles japonica var. alpina Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S/PSH
Dwarf Orange Flowering Quince Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Adapts to most soils and will tolerate dry conditions once established. A very low-growing species with

orange flowers that appear before leaves. Dense form with ascending twigs and prickly spines. Tiny

round leaves. Blooms in early May.

Chamaecyparis obtusa 'Nana'EvergreenLow Shrub2' x 3'SDwarf Hinoki False CypressNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. A lovely slow-growing dwarf shrub with stratified layers of dark

green foliage. Protect from winds. Likes humidity. A beautiful specimen when grown correctly. Use

as an accent or in the rock garden.

Chrysothamnus nauseosusEvergreenLow Shrub3' x 3'SRubber RabbitbrushNativeZone: 3

Comments: Found on dry open slopes. Grows on a variety of soils—sandy, gravelly to clay loams. Very drought

tolerant shrub with gray leaves and fall blooming yellow flowers.

Chrysothamnus viscidiflorusDeciduousLow Shrub2' x 2'SLow Green RabbitbrushNativeZone: 3

Comments: Small drought tolerant shrub with sticky leaves that are wider than Rubber Rabbitbrush. Produces

golden yellow flowerheads in early autumn.

Cornus sericea 'Kelseyi' Deciduous Low Shrub 1' x 2' S/PSH Kelsey Dogwood Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained soil, but can adapt to ordinary soils. A neat, compact shrub with medium

green leaves which are somewhat susceptible to leaf spot. Use in the front of the shrub border to hide the base of larger, leggy shrubs behind. Flowers and berries are not significant. Reddish stems. See

Cornus General Comments.

Cotoneaster adpressus var. praecox Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 6' S
Creeping Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: A vigorous shrub that will root where branches touch the ground. Profuse blossoms are white tipped

with rose, followed by red fruit. See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cotoneaster apiculatus S-Evergreen Low Shrub 1 ½ x 4 S
Cranberry Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moist, well drained soil. Works well in high-pH soil conditions. Bears large,

attractive red berries. Good for planting on banks. Once established, will tolerate drought. Space 3–5'

apart. See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cotoneaster horizontalis S-Evergreen Low Shrub 4' x 8' S/PSH Rock Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moist, well-drained soil. Tolerates drought once established. Heavily textured

with herringbone branch pattern. Dark, glossy green foliage with orange, red, or puplish fall color. Prune only minimally to retain shape. A tall groundcover for large areas. Space 5' apart. See Coton-

easter General Comments.

Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald 'n Gold' Evergreen Low Shrub 3' x 3' S/PSH/SH Emerald and Gold Euonymus Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Tolerates all but wet soils. Compact plant with glossy green leaves with gold margins. Insignificant

flowers. Use in borders or for color accent. Tolerates pruning well.

Forsythia viridissima 'Bronxensis' Deciduous Low Shrub 2' x 3' S
Dwarf Forsythia Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil-adaptable. Interesting compact, low-growing form. Bright green foliage with green-tinged

yellow flowers. Blooms profusely. Bronze fall color. Effective in mass planting.

Juniperus chinensisEvergreenLow ShrubVariesS/PSHJuniperNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

'Mint Julep'—3' x 7'. Brilliant mint-green foliage. Compact form with a graceful outline. Hardy and vigorous. Used in foundation plantings, mass plantings, shrub borders, and as a form and texture accent. 'Old Glory'—3' x 4'. A compact form with green/gold foliage that retains its color throughout winter. Nice color contrast. Used in foundation plantings, shrub borders, and as a color accent. 'Gold Coast' is a similar variety. 'Pfitzerana Conpacta'—2' x 5'. Gray-green pricklyfoliage. Bushy, compact habit. Slow growing. Used in foundation plantings and shrub border. 'San Jose'—2' x 5'. Sage green foliage. Compact with somewhat irregular outline. Prickly branches slightly upturned at tips. Slow growing and commonly used for bonsai. Effective foundation planting.

Juniperus horizontalis 'Youngstown'EvergreenLow Shrub2' x 5'SYoungstown JuniperNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Green foliage, taking on an attractive plum winter color. Low, prostate growth habit. Dense with

full-centered look. See Juniperus General Comments.

Lavandula angustifolia Deciduous Low Shrub 2' x 2' S English Lavender Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Plant in full sun with loose, fast draining soil. Very drought tolerant, requiring little water and fertilizer after establishment. Leaves are gray, flowers are deep lavender blue to purple depending on variety. Classic garden hedge, edging or herb garden plant.

Ligustrum vulgare 'Lodense' Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 4' S/PSH

Dwarf Privet Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Prefers a moist, fertile soil, but can be grown under dry conditions. Dense, compact, and slow-growing. Cream-colored flowers are followed by black berries. Makes a good low deciduous hedge. Withstands pruning well.

Ligustrum x vicaryiEvergreenLow Shrub4' x 5'SGolden PrivetNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Needs well drained soil. Has glossy yellow-green foliage; flowers are white, pyramidal clusters rarely seen if regularly pruned. Fruit is a black berry, non-ornamental. Upright in shape and loosely rounded; lends to shearing. Use as hedge or contrast color plant. Will often retain some rust-brown foliage throughout winter.

Lonicera involucrataDeciduousLow ShrubS/PSBlack TwinberryNativeZone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, prefers moist soil. Long, light green tapering leaves are opposite. Yellow twin flowers appear

in April–June. Black twin berries with reddish capes ripen during July and August. Fruit is bitter.

Lonicera pileataEvergreenLow Shrub12" x 4"SRoyal Carpet HoneysuckleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Neat habit with low, stiff horizontal branching. Glossy semi-evergreen leaves. Purple

berries in fall. Limited availability.

Lonicera utabensis Deciduous Low Shrub 2 to 4' tall S/PS
Red Twinberry Native Zone:

Comments: Adaptable, prefers moist, well-drained soil. Erect widely branching shrub. 1–2" leaves are very thin,

variable in shape and without teeth. Twin cream-flowers. The pulpy translucent red berries are joined

at the center.

Lonicera xylosteum Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 5' S/PSH Emerald Mound Honeysuckle Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Grows in any well drained soil. Rich bluish green mounded foliage. Insignificant flowers followed by

red berries. Good in mass plantings or as low-maintenance hedge. Needs regular pruning. Another

variety, 'Clavey's Dwarf', has similar characteristics.

Mahonia aquifolium 'Compacta'EvergreenLow Shrub2' x 3'PSH/SHCompact Oregon GrapeNativeZone: 5

Comments: Likes moist, well-drained acid soils. Avoid hot and dry sites. A dwarf form with very glossy leaves and

bronze winter color. Showy yellow flowers followed by purple berries. Neat and compact.

Mahonia repensEvergreenLow Shrub1' x 3'S/PSHCreeping Oregon GrapeNativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Evergreen groundcover with leaves that are glossy, dark green and less spiny than

M. aquilofolium. Yellow flowers in May followed by purple berries. Very hardy and drought tolerant.

Leaves can winter burn when exposed to cold dry winter winds.

Pachistima myrsinitesEvergreenLow Shrub2' x 2'PSHOregon BoxwoodNativeZone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, prefers well drained soils. Excellent plant for landscaping, can be used in borders and

shaped into hedges. Flowers not showy, maroon, small clusters (April–June)

Penstemon fruiticosusDeciduousLow ShrubVariesSShrubby PenstemonNativeZone: 4

Comments: Highly adaptable to most conditions. Shrub may or may not spread to a ground covering mat. Leaves

vary from oval or linear, sharp indented or smooth margined. Large blue or lavender flowers bloom

from May to August depending on the elevation. Adapts well to rock gardens.

Picea abies 'Nidiformis'EvergreenLow Shrub4' x 4'SBird's Nest SpruceNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil, but will tolerate poor soils. Compact, nestlike mound, often with a

depression in center (nest). Keep center clean of debris and leaves. A good evergreen used for accent.

After many years, can be up to 6' tall and wider.

Low Shrub 3' x 6' S Picea pungens 'Globosa' Evergreen Globe Blue Spruce Non-native Zone: 3

Moist, well drained soil, but will tolerate dry conditions. A slow-growing, compact, and rounded Comments:

> bright blue specimen spruce. Holds its color well throughout the year. Ideal focal point in small planting. Good bonsai. Also available grafted on standard blue spruce understock at 24" or 36".

Pinus mugo 'Compacta' Evergreen Low Shrub 4' x 5' S/PSH Zone: 2 **Dwarf Mugo Pine** Non-native

Comments: Grows in moist, well drained soils. Slow-growing, compact, spreading, dwarf form. Rich green

needles. Winter buds are conspicuously resin-covered. Used as low foundation plant, in the shrub border and as an accent. The new growth, frequently called 'candles', of the Mugo species, makes

an interesting contrast in form. See Pinus General Comments.

S Potentilla fruticosa **Decidious** Low Shrub Varies Zone: 2 Cinquefoil or Potentilla Non-native

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained, ordinary soil. Not for dry areas. Will suffer leaf scorch when under water

stress. Blooms all summer in hues of white, yellow, orange, and red. Needs frequent pruning to keep from becoming ragged. Use in the front of shrub border, in mass plantings, as a low hedge, and in foundation plantings. Highly susceptible to spider mites. 'Abbotswood'—2' x 3'. Large white flowers bloom throughout season. Dark green foliage frames flowers nicely. One of the best of the white forms. 'Coronation Triumph'—4' x 4'. Soft green foliage with large, open, bright yellow flowers. Dense, mounded habit; one of the taller varieties. 'Goldfinger'—3' x 3'. Compact form with large golden-yellow flowers surrounded by attractive dark green foliage. 'Hollandia Gold'-2' x 2'. Low, mounded form. Large (1 ³/₄") dark yellow flowers. 'Jackman's Variety'—4' x 4'. Good dark green foliage with bright yellow flowers. One of the larger forms. 'Katherine Dykes'—4' x 5'. Silvery green foliage with small (1") primrose-yellow flowers. Gracefully arching branches. 'Tangerine'—3' x 4'. Gray-green foliage with a wide-spreading, mounded habit. Yellow flowers flushed with orange-red in partial

sunfading to yellow in full sun.

Prunus laurocerasus 'Zabeliana' Evergreen Low Shrub 3' x 8' PSH/SH Zabel's Laurel Non-native Zone: 6

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained, organic soil. Willowlike, narrow, dark green leaves. A spreading shrub

with free-flowering white blossoms in April/May. A good choice for shady areas. Protect from cold

winter winds.

S Purshia tridentata Low Shrub 3' x 4' Semi Evergreen

Antelope Brush—Bitter Brush Native Zone: 4

Adaptable, prefers well drained soils. Rigidly branched, semi-evergreen shrub for dry sunny places. **Comments:**

Small leathery wedge shaped leaves. Small bright yellow-funnel shaped flowers.

Rhododendron 'Dora Amateis' Evergreen Low Shrub 3' x 5' PSH/SH

Dora Amateis Rhododendron Non-native Zone: 5

A vigorous, distinctive dark green foliage. Flowers are white with green throat. Hardy to -15°F. **Comments:**

Lovely used as accent of in border. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhododendron 'Ramapo' Evergreen Low Shrub 2' x 4' PSH/SH Ramapo Rhododendron Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Bright violet-purple flowers in April. Hardy to -25°F, but late frosts can cause damage to flower buds.

New leaves are a dusty blue. Highly rated. Good choice for rock gardens, as an accent in the border,

or along walkways. Shallow roots need mulch. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhododendron 'Scarlet Wonder' Evergreen Low Shrub 2' x 2' PSH/SH Scarlet Wonder Rhododendron Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Glossy green foliage and bright red flower. Hardy to -15°F. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhododendron impeditum Evergreen Low Shrub 1 1/2 x 3' PSH/SH Impeditum/Cloudland Rhododendron Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Nice purple flowers with interesting silvery green foliage. A very dwarf specimen with tight, compact

habit. Used as an accent and in front of the shrub border. Hardy to -15°F. See Rhododendron General

Comments.

Rhododendron species (Azalea) Deciduous Low Shrub 30" x 30" S/PSH
Deciduous Azalea Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Dwarf, compact form with fine-textured leaf, -40°F. 'Golden Lights'—golden-yellow, 'Mandarin

Lights'—ruffled red-orange, 'Northern Highlights'—cream-white with gold blotch, to 'Orchid Lights'—soft lilac, 'Rosey Lights'—deep rosey-pink, 'Spicy Lights'—yellow-orange-pink-coral, 'White Lights'—lavendar buds, fragrant white stars. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Ribes lucustre Deciduous Low Shrub up to 6' S/PS
Black Gooseberry Native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, prefers moist forest soils. Erect to spreading shrub. Maple-like leaves with deeply indented

lobes. Stems are armed with spines at nodes and prickles in between. Flowers are yellowish-green in

drooping racemes. Edible blackberry fruit can be used in jellies or jams.

Rosa (various species)

Deciduous

Low Shrub

Varies

Non-native

Zone: Varies

Comments: Due to extensive hybridization, hybrid teas, grandifloras, floribundas, and miniature roses, are not

listed in this publication. Consult books, catalogs, and local garden centers for information.

Rosa gymnocarpa Deciduous Low Shrub up to 3' S/PSH Bald-Hip Rose Zone: 5

Comments: Highly adaptable, native to cool, moist sites. Found in association with grand fir or Douglas-fir.

Erect, slender, finely branched. Stems have fine prickles (like raspberries). Leaves are alternate, pinnately compound. Small flowers are pink to rose. Fruit are small, ovoid—red hips without

attached sepals. Hips are high in Vitamin C, can be used in teas.

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Rubus parvifloris Deciduous Low Shrub 4' x 4' PSH/SH Thimbleberry Native Zone: 3

Comments: Shrub with large maple-like leaves found in moist sites. Good food source for wildlife. Large leaves

(to 8") provide coarse texture accent in a woodland garden. Fruit can be used in jellies.

Spiraea betufoliaDeciduousLow Shrub8 to 24"PSHBirch-Leaved SpireaNativeZone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, prefers moist soil. Rhizomatous shrub forms patches. Leaves are alternate, ovate, green

above and paler green below. Flowers are small, white in a dense flat cluster (up to 4' across). See

Spirea General Comments.

Spiraea densiflora Deciduous Low Shrub

Subalpine Spirea Native Zone: 4 PSH

Comments: Adaptable, requires spring moisture, Alpine plant. Rosy-pink flowers with small leaves. See Spirea

General Comments.

Spiraea douglasii Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' PS

Douglas Spirea Native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Multi-branched shrub with woolly young growth. Leaves are dark green above and

paler below. Beautiful pinkish-purple flower plumes appear in mid-July. The creeping underground stems can become invasive and will take over the wetlands they prefer. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea japonica 'Little Princess'DeciduousLow Shrub3' x 4'+SLittle Princess SpireaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Wide-spreading, compact mound of mint-green leaves. Prolonged summer blooming with flat clusters

of light-rose blossoms. Used as informal hedge, in shrub border or as an accent. Dark red fall color.

See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea japonica 'Shirobana'DeciduousLow Shrub2' x 3'SShirobana SpireaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Late bloomer covered with white, pink and red flower clusters contrasted by bright green foliage. See

Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea nipponica Deciduous Low Shrub 4' x 4' S

Snowmound Spirea Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Dark blue-green leaves with a rounded, dense habit. Blooms in late spring with profuse round clusters

of white flowers. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea pyramidata Deciduous Low Shrub 20 to 40" S

Pyramid Spirea Native Zone: 4

Comments: Requires moist soils, typical shoreline plant. Spreading to erect plant. Leaves are oval/oblong to lance-

shaped, smooth and coarsely toothed above the middle. Flowers vary from tiny, rose-pink to off-white

in open pyramid clusters. See Spiraea Comments.

Spiraea x bumalda 'Anthony Waterer' Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 4' S Anthony Waterer Spirea Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Rounded dense form with good fall color. Summer blooming with rose-pink flat clusters. Good in the

shrub border, massed, or as an informal hedge. Will sucker from roots. New foliage is medium green

with bronzy tinge. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spirea x bumalda 'Goldflame' Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S Goldflame Spirea Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Foliage is mottled with red, copper, and orange when new, then yellow to yellow-green throughout

summer. flowers are pinkish and compact. Used as informal low hedge, in the shrub border, or as a

color accent. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spirea x bumalda 'Limemound'DeciduousLow Shrub3' x 3'SLimemound SpireaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Uniform, dwarf, mounding habit. Yellow-green leaves with russet tinge in spring. Autumn color is

orange-red on red stems. Light pink flowers in summer. Use as informal low hedge, in front of the

shrub border, or as a color accent. See Spiraea General Comments.

Symphoricarpus albus Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S/PSH Snowberry Native Zone: 3

Comments: Found on warm dry sites with ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir. Fast growing shrub. Leaves are

opposite, 1–2" long. Flowers white or pinkish followed by large white berries that are utilized by grouse and songbirds. The berries which remain long after leaves have fallen are considered

poisonous to people.

Syringa patula 'Miss Kim' Deciduous Low Shrub 4' x 4' S Miss Kim Lilac Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable to most soils. Foliage rich glossy green in summer turning to burgundy red in fall. Three-

inch panicles of purple buds open to fragrant icy blue flowers. Very hardy. Blooms later than common

lilacs. May be used in mass plantings or as a single specimen.

Taxus baccata 'Repandens' Evergreen Low Shrub 2' x 5' PSH/SH
Spreading English Yew Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Will not tolerate wet, soggy soils. A low, dense, spreading plant with branches that are pendulous at

the tips. A good choice for shade, but avoid prolonged winds. Can be vigorously pruned. See Taxus

General Comments.

Teucrium chamaedrys Evergreen Low Shrub 1' x 2' S
Germander Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Tough plants that can endure sun, heat and poor rocky soils. Many upright stems carry toothed

dark green leaves. Red or purple with $^3/4$ " flowers in loose spikes appear in summer. Useful as edging, foreground or low hedge. Should be sheared back once or twice a year to force branching

and keep neat.

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Thymus citriodorusDeciduousLow Shrub12" x 12"SLemon ThymeNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Grows best in light, well-drained soil on the gravelly side. May need some summer watering during

hottest part of a dry summer. Can be either erect or spreading. Leaves have lemon scent when crushed.

'Aureus' (gold) and 'Argentus' (silver).

Tsuga canadensis 'Gentsch White' Evergreen Low Shrub 4' x 3' S/PSH Gentsch White Hemlock Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist soil. Green needles with tips of new growth a silvery white color. "Frosted" look remains

through the year. Rounded, mound-like habit. Will grow to 4' very slowly (in 10 years or more).

Vaccinium scopariumDeciduousLow Shrubup to 10"S/PSWhortleberry—GrouseberryNativeZone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, prefers well drained soils. Leaves are alternate, finely serrate, ¹/₂" long, narrow, shiny light-

green upper surface. Small flowers are pinkish, urn shaped. Small fruit is bright red and edible.

Viburnum opulus 'Nanum' Deciduous Low Shrub 2' x 3' S/PSH
Dwarf European Cranberry Bush Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. Will tolerate wet soil conditions. Lobed, maple-shaped green leaves

turn red in fall. No flowers or fruit. Makes an attractive low hedge, which needs no trimming, or use as a groundcover for small areas. Leaf spot may become a problem when planted in wet conditions.

Good fall color. See Viburnum General Comments.

Weigela florida 'Minuet' Deciduous Low Shrub 2 1/2' x 3' S Minuet Weigela Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers moist, well drained conditions. Dwarf form. Green foliage with maroon

cast. Slightly fragrant red flower with yellow throat. Hardy, free-flowering form.

Weigela florida 'Variegata Nana' Deciduous Low Shrub 3' x 3' S Variegated Dwarf Weigela Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Rounded shrub with creamy-white edged soft green foliage. Rose-pink flowers. Use as foreground

of shrub beds or background for flower beds.

Yucca filamentosaEvergreenLow Shrub30" x 30"SYuccaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Plant in full sun in soil with good drainage. Coarse textured shrub with spike leaves

radiating from a central point. Extremely drought tolerant. A single flower spike rises from the center

with clusters of white flowers. White variegated leaved forms are available.

MEDIUM TO TALL SHRUBS—4 TO 15 FEET

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 8' S/PSH Acer ginnala Amur Maple 'Bailey Compact' Non-native Zone: 3

A dense compact shrub with narrow glossy green 3-lobed leaves. Orange-scarlet foliage in the fall. Comments:

> May be used as a specimen, screen or in groupings. Best fall color when planted in full sun. The winged fruit (samaras) hang on the tree throughout winter. See Acer General Comments.

Acer ginnala Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Amur Maple 'Emerald Elf' Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Compact, rounded shrub. Glossy green, narrow 3-lobed leaf. May be used as a specimen, screen

or in groupings. Scarlet-purple fall color. Best fall color when planted in full sun. The winged fruit

(samaras) hang on the tree throughout winter. See Acer General comments.

Up to 20' Acer palmatum var. dissectum Deciduous M/Tall Shrub S/PSH Zone: 5 **Red Laceleaf Maple** Non-native

Prefers a well drained organic soil. Filtered sun is ideal, but will tolerate full sun, sometimes showing Comments:

> marginal foliage sunburn. Deeply lobed foliage. Typically grows in a dense mounded or cascading form. Use as a distinctive, highly formal specimen accent plant. Good companion plant with conifers. Red color can fade to green in high temperatures. Recommended cultivars: 'Crimson Queen'—holds good crimson color even in the heat. Good fall color; 'Ever Red'—new spring foliage covered with silvery hairs. Mature foliage is deep red. Good grower; 'Garnet'—good for color and vigor. See Acer

General Comments.

Amelanchier alnifolia 'Regent' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 7' S/PSH Serviceberry 'Regent Saskatoon' Zone: 2 Non-native

Soil adaptable, drought tolerant once established. Mounded shrub that is covered with large white Comments:

flowers in late April through May. Gray-green leaves, yellow to red fall color. One of the first shrubs

to bloom in the spring. Larger cultivars listed in "Shrub/Small Tree" Section.

6' x 3' Aronia arbutifolia Deciduous M/Tall Shrub S/PSH **Red Chokeberry** Non-native **Zone:** 4

Comments: Soil adaptable but prefers moist, rich, well drained soil. Lustrous green leaf with small white or reddish

flower. Distinctly upright and multi-stemmed. Suckers freely. Effective for persistent bright red berries and showy fall color. Use as mass planting and screening. Birds won't eat the bitter berries. Cultivar: 'Brilliantissia'—6' x 8', white flowers in May. Brilliant red berries in fall that are retained for a long

period of time.

M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' S Artemisia tridentata Evergreen Zone: 4 Big Sagebrush Native

Comments: Evergreen shrub found in rocky/gravelly basaltic soils. Flowers are small, yellow, appearing in August-

September. Used as hedge, and silvery-gray accent shrub in a dry, sunny site.

Medium to Tall Shrubs

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 4' S/PSH Berberis koreana Korean Barberry Non-native Zone: 4

Medium to dark green leaves. Forms a dense, upright mound. Large showy yellow flowers, bright **Comments:**

red egg-shaped persisting berries and excellent fall color. Excellent barrier and mass planting. Cultivar: 'Emerald Carousel'—a cross between Japanese Green Barberry and Korean Barberry—5' x 5' rounded with arching branches. Foliage deep green. Fall foliage deep red to reddish purple. See Berberis General

Comments.

5' x 4' S/PSH Deciduous M/Tall Shrub Berberis thunbergii Zone: 4 Japanese Green-Leaf Barberry Non-native

Small rounded leaves and small yellow flowers. Persistent shiny red berries. Densely rounded habit. Comments:

Good in mass plantings or excellent as a hedge. Extraordinary fall color. Cultivar: 'Thornless Japanese Barberry'—5' x 5'—more compact and mounded form. Deep green leaves, Orange-red fall foliage.

See Berberis General Comments.

Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Japanese Red-Leaf Barberry Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Same as B. thunbergii, except for burgundy foliage and more upright, loosely-rounded habit.

See Berberis General Comments.

Berberis thunbergii 'Erecta' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5' S/PSH

Truehedge Columnar Barberry Non-native Zone: 4

Primarily used as hedge due to distinctly upright and narrow growth habit. Yellow, orange, and red Comments:

fall color. Space 2 1/2' apart for hedge. See Berberis General Comments.

S/PSH Berberis x mentorensis Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5'

Mentor Barberry Zone: 5 Non-native

Comments: Green foliage with small inconspicuous yellow flowers. Not a reliable berry producer. Many spiny

thorns. Upright and rounded shape with age. Foliage will persist late into fall. Good fall color. Very

hardy. Excellent barrier plant. See Berberis General comments.

Betula pumila Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 4' S/PSH

Bog or Dwarf Birch Native Zone: 2

Prefers moist soil. Upright multi-stemmed shrub. Downy young shoots, small, toothed, green leaves **Comments:**

changing to yellow in fall. Good for streamside, lakeside plantings or as mass planting in naturalized, but irrigated yards. Sometimes referred to as Betula glandulosa in guides. See Betula General Comments.

Buddleia davidii M/Tall Shrub S Deciduous 5' x 5'

Butterfly Bush or Summer Lilac Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Needs well drained, loose, loamy soil. Dark green leaves with white underneath and showy 8-10"

> lilac-like fragrant flowers. Loose, open, rapid, almost rank growth. Tip dieback can occur in severe winters. Blooms July through September. Good cut flowers. Cultivar flower colors: 'Black Knight'dark purple with orange throat; 'Charming'—pink; 'White Bouquet'—white; 'Nando Alba'—white;

'Nando Blue'—blue; 'Nando Purple'—dk. purple; 'Pink Delight'—royal red, (wine-red).

Calycanthus floridus Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Carolina Allspice or Sweetshrub Non-native Zone: 5

Adaptable to different soil types, but prefers moist soil. Attractive glossy foliage. Unusual 2" cinna-

mon-red fragrant flowers in May. Broadly rounded and spreading. Good in shrub border, as back-

ground filler, or near walkways. (Unusual flowers most notable.)

Ceanothus sanguineus Deciduous M/Tall Shrub Up to 10' S **Redstem Ceanothus** Native Zone: 4

Comments: Highly adaptable to most conditions. Colonizes disturbed areas. Erect loosely branched shrub. Stems

are smooth, purplish-red, alternately branched. Leaves are alternate, dark green, 1-4 inches long with serrated margins on a 1" petiole. White flowers in small clustered panicles in May-June. An important

browse for deer and elk.

6' x 6' S Ceanothus velutinus M/Tall Shrub Evergreen **Snowbrush Ceanothus** Native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Medium sized rounded evergreen shrub with white flowers borne in showy clusters.

Leaves are bright green and leathery. Susceptible to winter burn when exposed to cold winter winds.

Good native alternative to Euonymous fortunei.

Chaenomeles speciosa Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 8' S/PSH Zone: 5 Flowering Quince Non-native

Comments: Adaptable to different soil types. Foliage appears bronzy red, turning dark glossy green. April flowers

are pure white, salmon or red. Habit ranges from upright, rounded and wide-spreading. Profuse flowers appear before leaves. Effective in mass plantings or hedge. Many hybrids are available. 'Nivalis'—pure white flowers with upright form; 'Super Red'—red flowers; 'Pink Lady'—deep

rose-pink; 'Red Chariot'—double-rose-red; 'Spitfire'—upright, vivid red.

4' x 4' S/PSH Chaenomeles x japonica Deciduous M/Tall Shrub Zone: 5 Japanese Flowering Quince Non-native

Adapts to most soils and will tolerate dry conditions once established. Profuse flowers on old wood **Comments:**

appear during April before leaves appear. Compact spreading habit. Can be pruned into hedge form or used in the shrub border as accent. Very hardy. Nearly thornless. The fruit is edible (jams) and resembles an apple. Other varieties include: 'Cameo'—apricot/pink double flowers, compact habit; 'Low & White'—soft white flowers, low-spreading habit; 'Minerva'—large cherry-red flowers, upright

habit; 'Texas Scarlet'—bright, scarlet-red flowers.

M/Tall Shrub 6' x 4' **PSH** Chamaecyparis obtusa Evergreen Hinoki False Cypress Non-native Zone: 4

Prefers moist, well drained, slightly acid soil. Thick dark green foliage. Slow, compact, pyramidal **Comments:**

growth, nice form. This plant makes an excellent specimen if protected and well watered. Distinctive

and unusual character.

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Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Filifera' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Threadleaf False Cypress Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil should be moist and well drained. Threadlike droopy foliage. Loose open habit; often wide-

spreading. Good in rockery or specimen. Can become leggy with maturity. 'Aurea Nana'—gold-tipped form, often not exceeding 4'; 'Cyano-Viridis'—silvery blue-green foliage, upright and narrow.

Clethra alnifoliaDeciduousM/Tall ShrubvariesS/PSH/SHSummersweetNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers moist, acidic soil rich in organic matter. Large deep-green leaf; late to leaf out in spring.

Fragrant white or pink large panicle-type flowers appear in June. Upright, oval to rounded habit. Ranges in size from 3–8" x 4–6'. Good in shrub border or as accent. Its delightful fragrance, tidy habit, and shade tolerance make this a suitable addition to any shrub or perennial planting. Cultivars: 'Hummingbird Summersweet'—5' x 4'—mounded, lustrous green foliage, tolerates deep shade and moist conditions; 'Ruby Spice'—6' x 4' upright, bright pink flowers in mid-summer, yellow fall color.

Cornus albaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 8'S/PSHTatarian DogwoodNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Likes moist, well drained soil. Leaf is dark green, twigs are red. Flower is a yellowish white, flat-topped

cluster followed by a bluish white berry. Upright, vase-shaped, and wide habit. Use in mass plantings and as filler. 'Elegantissima'—variegated (green and white) form; 'Gouchaulti'—leaf margin is yellow and rose, center of leaf is green. Also called "Mottled Dogwood," 'Bud's Yellow'—7' x 7'—rounded shape, medium green leaves, yellow stemmed. 'Ivory Halo Dogwood'—6' x 7', compact rounded

shape, variegated green-white leaves. See Cornus General Comments.

Cornus sericeaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub15' x 15'S/PSHRedosier or Redtwig DogwoodNativeZone: 2

Comments: Requires moist to wet soil. Large shrub with bright red branches visible in winter. Striking against

backdrop of snow or light fence. Excellent ornamental. Good for use in erosion control on slopes near streams or wet areas. 'Flaviramea'—Yellow twig variety. See Cornus General Comments.

Corylus avellana 'Contorta' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 5' S/PSH
Contorted Filbert Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Well drained loamy soil. Textured, puckered leaf. Showy, pendulous catkins. Distinctly curled and

contorted branching. Provides great winter interest. Best as single specimen. Remove suckers below

graft. Also known as "Harry Lauder's Walking Stick."

Corylus cornuta Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' S/PSH
Beaked Hazelnut Native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers wet areas. Medium green leaves, yellow fall color, drooping catkins. Best

used in riparian zone or naturalized areas. Small nut is covered in hairy husk; feeds wildlife.

Spreads by suckering.

Cotinus coggygria Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 12' x 12' S
Common Smoketree or Smokebush Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil and pH adaptable, even to dry and rocky sites. Loose, spreading open habitat. Blue-green leaves

late to leaf out, reddish fall color. Known for unusual flower clusters which, when fading, appear as

4-6" smoky pink puffs. Several purple leaf types.

Cotoneaster acutifolius Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S/PSH
Peking Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Foliage larger and lighter in color than other species. Small inconspicuous white

flowers followed by blue-black fruit. Strong growing upright form. Ideal hedge plant if sheared. Nice specimen with light shearing. Good fall color. See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cotoneaster divaricatus

Deciduous

M/Tall Shrub

8' x 6'

S/PSH

Spreading Cotoneaster

Non-native

Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Small glossy coin-shaped foliage, profuse small pink flowers in May. Showy in fall with

long-lasting red berries. Upright, open, and vase-shaped. Good in mass plantings; effective as back-

ground and corner specimen. Superb fall color! See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cotoneaster horizontalis S-Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 8' PSH Rock Cotoneaster Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable but prefers moist, well-drained soil. Tolerates drought once established. Heavily textured

with herringbone branch pattern. Dark, glossy green foliage with orange, red or purplish fall color.

Prune only minimally to retain shape. Space 5' apart. See Cotoneaster General Comments.

Cytisus scoparius Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5' S
Scotch Broom Non-native Zone: 6

Comments: Adaptable to almost any soil; poor sandy soil is fine. Narrow grasslike stems and foliage, light yellow

flowers in early May. Upright or loosely-rounded habit. Usually becomes leggy and unsightly in time. Self-seeds freely. Good bank stabilizer. May die back in severe winters. Cultivars listed tend to be less weedy than species. 'Burkwoodii'—red flowers; 'Moonlight'—pale yellow flowers, compact growth habit.

Daphne mezereumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub4' x 4'S/PSHFebruary DaphneNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Needs a well drained soil. Rosy purple flowers appear all along the last year's growth in early April,

before the leaves appear. They are very fragrant and are followed in early June by brilliant scarlet berries. which birds quickly seek. Planted as fragrant early-flowering accent in garden. BERRIES

ARE POISONOUS TO HUMANS.

Deutzia gracilisDeciduousM/Tall Shrub4' x 4'S/PSHSlender DeutziaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Well drained, ordinary soil. Profuse starlike flowers in late May. Good in shrub border. Prune yearly

after flowering. No fall color. Relatively pest free.

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Deutzia scabraDeciduousM/Tall Shrub6' x 8'SFuzzy DeutziaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Well drained, ordinary soil. Long forsythia like leaf rounded at base. Buttonlike flowers, pure white or

white tinged with pink, held in upright panicles. Upright and arching branches. Shaggy bark. Most showy when in flower. A good background filler shrub. Prune after flowering. 'Pride of Rochester'—pale rose flowers; 'Flore-pleno'—double white flowers tinged with rosy pink; 'Godsall Pink Deutzia'—

clear double pink.

Euonymus alata Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S/PSH Burning Bush Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Needs moist, well drained soil. Requires mulch in hot, dry situations. Lance-shaped foliage with insignifi-

cant yellow-green flowers in late May. Fruit is reddish capsule surrounded by orange seed coat. Mounded, horizonal spreading habit. Elegant form. Attractive in winter for tidy branching habit. Known for its

brilliant pink/red fall color, hence the name. 'Compacta'—similar form—up to 5'.

Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald Gaiety' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' S/PSH/SH Emerald Gaiety Euonymus Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Tolerates all but wet soils. Deep rich green leaves with white margins that become pink tinged in

winter. Dense, branching habit. Insignificant flowers. Use in borders or for color accent. Tolerates

pruning well.

Fallugia paradoxa Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 5' S

Apache Plume Non-native Zone: 6

Comments: Soil adaptable. Very tolerant of heat and drought. Native to mountains of central California, Nevada,

southern Utah, Arizona, Colorado. Large shrub with straw-colored branches and flaky bark. Small lobed leaves are deep green on top, rusty beneath. Single white rose shaped flowers appear in April and May. Flowers are followed by large clusters of feathery fruit that is greenish turning to pink or reddish.

Can be used to control erosion. Available through catalogs.

Forsythia viridissima Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S

Greenstem Forsythia Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Bright green leaf, with green-tinged yellow flowers. Flowers later than *Forsythia x*

intermedia. Stiff upright habit. Good specimen or for mass planting extending the blooming time.

Forsythia x intermedia Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10' x 6' S
Forsythia Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Oblong to lance-shaped toothed leaf. Light to deep yellow flowers in April, generally

announcing spring. Upright, densely branched and arching habit. Good as background or filler plant. Use where there is ample room to spread. Prune after flowering. Hardy cultivars include: 'Arnold Dwarf'—3' x 7', likes any well drained soil. Sparse flowers. May take 5–6 years to bloom. Good bank cover or ground cover, as branches root where they touch the ground. May be used in the shrub border. 'Beatrix Farrand'—deep golden yellow with orange markings; 'Karl Sax'—bushier, shorter form; 'Lynwood'—hardy old standby; 'Meadowlark'—hardy to -35°F; 'Spring Glory'—sulfur-yellow flowers; 'Northern Sun'—8' x 9', upright arching, med green foliage, clear yellow flowers; 'Northern Gold'—8' x 7', upright dark green foliage, golden yellow flowers.

Hamamelis virginianaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub10' x 15'S/PSH/SHWitch HazelNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Prefers moist soil. Avoid dry conditions. Flowers (best decribed as tiny fireworks) in February are yellow and fragrant and not damaged by cold. An open, spreading, often straggly habit. Will be more compact if planted in full sun. Good naturalized or in the back of the border.

Hibiscus syriacus Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 4' S/PSH Rose of Sharon or Shrub Althaea Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Requires moist, well drained, organic soil. Three-lobed leaf. Plump, short stalked flower bud opening to beautiful single or double 5-petal flower. Blooms in late summer. Multi-stemmed, upright habit. Good in the shrub border or as a hedge. Late to leaf out. Cultivars: 'Aphrodite'—deep rose-pink, dark red eye; 'Blushing Bride'—double, rich pink; 'Collie Mullens'—double, purple-lavender; 'Diana—large white single flower; 'Helene'—single white flower, red-purplish eye. 'Red Heart'—single, white with scarlet eye (stays open longer), waxy green foliage.

Holodiscus discolorDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 5'PSHOceansprayNativeZone: 3

Comments:

Soil adaptable, prefers partial shade. Produces large plumes of cream-colored flowers June-July. Found in partially shaded areas in association with snowberry and syringa (mockorange). Good choice for large shrub borders, screening and hedgerows.

Hydrangea arborescensDeciduousM/Tall Shrub5' x 5'S/PSH/SHSmooth HydrangeaNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments:

Prefers moist, well drained soil; pH adaptable. Large dull-green leaf, heart shaped at base. Pure white 4" round snowball flowers borne on current year's growth in July and August. Dried distinct seedheads remain long into fall. Good for shrub border. A vigorous grower, even in shade. Cultivars: 'Snowhill'—larger flowers than above; 'Annabelle'—larger flowers, improved selection of 'Snowhill.'

Hydrangea paniculataDeciduousM/Tall Shrub10' x 6'S/PSH/SHPanicle HydrangeaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Prefers moist, well drained soil. Foliage is longer and more narrow than *H. arborescens*, above. Large pyramidal flower clusters, white changing to purplish pink. Upright, spreading large shrub or small tree. If pruned, a nice specimen, otherwise, recommended as a background filler. Prune late winter or early spring. Most common cultivar: 'Grandiflora', also called Pee Gee Hydrangea—large, showy conical flower in July–August; 'Tardiva'—blooms later than Pee Gee; 'Kyushu Hydrangea'—8' x 8', upright spreading, smooth dark green foliage, large airy white flowers.

Ilex x meserveaeEvergreenM/Tall Shrub5' x 5'PSHHybrid Blue HollyNon-nativeZone: 6

Comments:

Needs rich organic matter, well drained soil. Lustrous green, textured, decorative foliage. Tiny white star-shaped flowers, bright red berries. Upright, open and spreading, becoming rounded with age. Highly ornamental as accent. Good companion planting with other evergreens. Need at least one male plant for berry production on female plants. Recommended combinations: 'Blue Boy' and 'Blue Girl'; 'Blue Prince' and 'Blue Princess'; 'China Boy' and 'China Girl', or any male/female combination of above.

M/Tall Shrub Varies S Juniperus chinensis Evergreen Chinese Juniper Non-native Zone: Varies

Comments:

Many cultivars include: 'Ames'—needlelike foliage. New growth blue-green, turning green at maturity. Compact, upright, broad-based pyramid. Slow growing at first. Use as accent. 'Armstrong'—bright gray-green foliage with horizontally spreading branches. Soft to the touch. Used in foundation plantings, shrub borders and as a form and texture accent. 'Hetz Blue'—needlelike, frost-blue foliage. Large, semi-erect with fountain-like shape branching in all directions. Rapid grower. Good as mass planting on hillside or as filler. 'Hetzii Columnaris—needlelike bright green foliage. Dense and tightly branched columnar habit. 'Hollywood'—soft bunchy, dark green foliage. Blue-green berries. Broad, pyramidal, irregular growth habit. Artistically ascending twisted branches give distinctive appearance. 'Keteleeri'—medium green foliage. Blue-green berries. Loose, broad, pyramidal form. More heavyfruiting than other species. Fast growing, hardy. Makes a good hedge as it lends well to shearing. 'Pfitzer's'—needlelike gray-green foliage. Open, arching branches. Fast-growing spreader. Good filler. Much variation in growth habit among plants. 'Robust Green'—light green, tight foliage. Ornamental blue-green berries. Medium grower. Open, informal habit with slightly curved branches as arms. Interesting form as single specimen. Not suitable for hedge due to openness. 'Seagreen'—grows best in full sun. A compact, dark green, spreading plant with fountain-like branching habit and graceful branch tips. Used in the shrub border, as foundation plant, in mass plantings or as a form accent.

S Juniperus scopulorum 'Moonglow' M/Tall Shrub 12' x 8' Evergreen **Moonglow Juniper** Non-native Zone: 3

A dense, blue, globe-shaped selection. A broad, attractive form with excellent color. Use as hedge or Comments:

accent. See Juniperus General Comments.

5' x 8' S Juniperus scopulorum 'Tabletop' M/Tall Shrub Evergreen **Table Top Juniper** Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Handsome silvery-blue foliage. Heavily branched, semi-spreading, flat-topped plant. Use as mass

planting or hedge. See Juniperus General Comments.

Juniperus virginiana 'Skyrocket' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 15' x 3' S Skyrocket Juniper Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Needlelike blue foliage. Rapid grower with quite narrow form, distinctly upright branching. Use in

close groupings. See Juniperus General Comments.

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 5' PSH/SH Kerria japonica

Kerria or Globe Flower Non-native Zone: 5

Needs well drained soil. Long, dark green, toothed, narrow leaf; golden yellow button flowers in May. **Comments:** Upright vase-shaped open form; very dense and twiggy. Unique free-flowering as specimen or in shrub

border. Prune after flowering. Slender yellow to green stems in mass provide winter interest. K. japonica

'Pleniflora' is a double-flowering cultivar.

Kolkwitzia amabilis Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10' x 8' S/PSH
Beauty Bush Non-native Zone: 4

Comments:

Very adaptable to different soil types. Narrow, lance-shaped small leaf. May to June flowers are tubular pink with yellow throat and followed by a dried capsule. Fast-growing, upright, arching shrub. Can get rank and ungainly without regular pruning. Give it plenty of room. Use as background filler. Cultivar: 'Pink Cloud'—8' x 6', clear pink flowers.

Ligustrum vulgare Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10' x 6' S/PSH European Privet Non-native Zone: 4

Comments:

Soil adaptable. Dark green, small, rather plain leaf. White flowers in small pyramidal clusters; shiny black berries persist if not pruned. Dependable, dense, deciduous hedge; best if kept sheared and shaped. Has little use as specimen planting. Holds leaves late into the season. Cultivars: 'Cheyenne'—hardy, improved, upright tall-growing; 'Lodense'—hardy, compact 3' x 4', ideal for low hedge.

Ligustrum x vicaryi Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 5' S Golden Privet Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Needs well drained soil. Has glossy yellow-green foliage; flowers are white, pyramidal clusters rarely seen if regularly pruned. Fruit is a black berry, non-ornamental. Upright in shape and loosely rounded; lends to shearing. Use as hedge or contrast color plant. Will often retain some rust-brown foliage throughout winter.

Lonicera tataricaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub10' x 8'STatarian HoneysuckleNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments:

Soil adaptable. Small flowers in white, pink or red in April. Twin berries are red. Primary feature is flowers. Other times, without regular pruning, it is an untidy, hard-to-appreciate member of the shrub bed. Use as filler or in mass. Give it room. Attractive to bees and hummingbirds, but can be severely distorted by aphids. 'L Korolkowii var. zabelii' and 'Arnold Red' are red flowering varieties.

Magnolia liliifloraDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 8'SLily MagnoliaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Prefers rich, moist, well drained soil. Large and wide, slightly wavy, dark-green leaf. Flowers appear before leaves and are large and showy, in varied colors, (most notable feature). A highly valued small shrub, showy as single specimen. Blooms early and can be damaged by frost. Cultivars recommended: Little Girl hybrids—'Ann', 'Betty', 'Jane' and 'Susan', later blooming with superior floral characteristics; 'Nigra'—large 5" flowers, dark purple outside, light purple inside. 'Yellow Butterfly'—large yellow flowers. See Magnolia General Comments.

Magnolia stellataDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 6'SStar magnoliaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Rich, moist, well drained soil. Oblong textured leaf, pure white fragrant flowers with strap-shaped, relaxed petals. Beautiful single specimen or accent plant; outstanding with evergreen background. Early bloom can be damaged by late frosts. Cultivars: 'Royal Star'—blooms later, large fragrant double white, 25–30 petals; 'Rubra'—purplish-rose flowers. See Magnolia General Comments.

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Mahonia aquifoliumEvergreenM/Tall Shrub6' x 6'PSH/SHOregon GrapeNativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers rich, well drained soil. Glossy deep green spiny hollylike foliage. New growth is reddish bronze.

Yellow flower cluster in April. True blue grapelike clusters of berries are edible and used in jelly. Use in foundation, hedge, or specimen. Stoloniferous and sometimes invasive. Compact forms available.

Malus sargentiiDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 12'SSargent CrabappleNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Rich, moist, well drained soil. Small, round dark green leaf, profuse, single, fragrant white flowers.

Small persistent dark red fruit. Considered more shrublike than tree form. Flower buds are pink, opening to white in April or May. Wide-spreading habit, often twice as wide as high. Shows good

disease resistance. See Flowering Crabapple General Comments.

Perovskia atriplicifoliaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub5' x 4'SRussian SageNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers very well drained soil. A semi-wooded shrub with aromatic, gray-green leaves, white beneath,

and open spires of bright violet-blue flowers in late summer. Prune back in spring to live wood. Cultivar 'Filigran'—finely cut, ferny silver foliage with airy clusters of lavender-blue flowers.

Philadelphus coronariusDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 6'SSweet MockorangeNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Coarse-textured leaf, fragrant single white flower, insignificant fruit. Stiff upright.

Rangy; prune after flowering. Cultivar: 'Aureus'—6', golden foliage with single white flower; nice

contrast in the garden.

Philadelphus lewisii Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S/PSH

Syringa Native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Medium to tall shrub that is covered with white fragrant flowers May–July. Flowers

after serviceberry. Medium green leaves with dull fall color. State flower of Idaho. Locally called

"mockorange."

Philadelphus x virginalis Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S

Virginal Mockorange Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Coarse-textured leaf, fragrant single white flower, insignificant fruit. Stiffly upright.

Rangy; prune after flowering. Cultivars: 'Dwarf Minnesota Snowflake'—4–5 feet, double white flowers, compact, fountain-like form; 'Glacier'—5', arching habit, fragrant double white flowers; 'Minnesota Snowflake'—8 feet—double white—2" flowers; 'Natchez'—8 feet, broad, well branched,

2" single, fragrant, white flowers.

Physocarpus malvaceus Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 4' S/PSH

Mallow Ninebark Native Zone: 2

Comments: Adaptable, prefers well drained soil. Ninebark has reddish to grayish-brown shredding bark, thus

common name. Found on canyon slopes and bottoms with ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir. Small,

white flowers May–July. Medium green foliage with orange/red fall color.

Physocarpus opulifoliusDeciduousM/Tall Shrub6' x 6'SEastern NinebarkNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments:

Soil adaptable. Foliage is broad and textured. Flowers are profuse in pinkish white flat clusters. Interesting, persistent fruit dries with a pinkish cast. Habit is upright and spreading, with shredding bark. Cultivars: 'Aureus'—Golden Ninebark, similar to Common Ninebark, but larger foliage, distinct yellow overtone. Prune out old wood to prevent rangy growth. Good accent or informal screen; 'Dart's Gold'—4', compact form, yellow-green foliage; 'Nugget'—6' x 5' dense bushy, yellow to lime foliage, fall foliage yellow.

Picea abies 'Nidiformis'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub4' x 4'S/PSHBird's Nest SpruceNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained soil but will tolerate poor soils. Compact, nestlike mound, often with a

depression in center (nest). Keep center clean of debris and leaves. A good small evergreen used for

accent. After many years, can be up to 6' tall and wider.

Picea glauca 'Conica'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub8' x 5'S/PSHDwarf Alberta SpruceNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, best in moist, well drained soil. Slow growing cone shaped dwarf conifer. Can reach 10–12'

in 25–30 years. Dense gray-green needles. Can be used as an accent or in a formal setting.

Picea omorikaa 'Nana'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub7' x 7'SDwarf Serbian SpruceNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers deep rich, moist well drained soil. Slow growing dwarf shrub. Becomes a globe like mound.

Glossy blue-green needles have white bands on the underside.

Picea pungens glauca 'Fat Albert'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub10' x 10'S'Fat Albert' Colorado SpruceNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Adaptable, best in well drained soil. Blue foliage. Slow growing. Dense, upright, broadly pyramidal

form. Use as a landscape specimen.

Pieris japonica Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' PSH Japanese Pieris Non-native Zone: 5–6

Comments: Likes rich, moist, acid soil. A broadleaf evergreen with lustrous green leaves. New growth is bronzy

green. Drooping flower clusters of small waxy bells in white or pink. Fruit is insignificant. Excellent specimen or effective as mass planting. Makes good companion planting with evergreens. Plant only in very protected locations with filtered sunlight. Hardiness is borderline. Cultivar: 'Forest Flame'—6' x 4', brilliant red then pink-creamy white foliage, clusters of broad white flowers, hardiest rating.

See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus densiflora 'Pendula' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 10' x 12' S Weeping Japanese Red Pine Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers well drained, slightly acid soil. Exhibits strong character with horizontal branches arching and

sweeping to the ground. Dark green needles in bundles of 2, with striking orange-red bark. Good as

specimen or draping over rock wall. See Pinus General Comments.

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Pinus densiflora 'Umbraculifera' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 10' x 12' S
Tanyosho Pine Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers well drained, slightly acid soil. Shrublike pine with multiple upright branches forming flat

topped crown. Long, stiff, bright-green needles in bundles of 2. Great in rock garden. Has a natural bonsai look. Also available grafted on standard Japanese Red Pine understock at 24" or 36". See Pinus

General Comments.

Pinus mugo var. mugo Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 5' x 10' S
Dwarf Mugo Pine Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable. Open, spreading conifer with a shrubby habit. Dark green needles. Useful in rock

gardens, mass plantings. Tolerates pruning well. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus strobus 'Nana' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 8' x 12' S
Dwarf Eastern White Pine Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers fertile, moist, well-drained soil. Bushy, mounded to pyramidal habit, often

growing broader than tall. Long, soft, blue-green needles in bundles of 5. Tolerates shearing, as this can be an irregular grower. Soft texture and unique form is perfect accent for rock garden, courtyard,

or entry. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus strobus 'Pendula' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub Variable S Weeping Eastern White Pine Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers fertile, moist, well drained soil. Long, spreading branches can be trained

with upright leader or left to essentially form a horizontal, wide-spreading specimen. Blue-green needles in bundles of 5. Pendulous branches sweep to the ground. Excellent specimen. See Pinus

General Comments.

Pinus sylvestris 'Glauca Nana' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 10' x 5' S

Dwarf Scotch Pine Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Compact and slow growing with rounded habit. Dense, upright branchlets with

blue-green needles in bundles of 2. Generally available grafted on standard scotch pine understock

at 24 inches and 36 inches. Good as accent or specimen. See Pinus General Comments.

Platycladus orientalis Evergreen M/Tall Shrub Variable S
Oriental Arborvitae Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Habit varies from globose to conical to pyramidal. Protect from cold, drying winds.

Recommended cultivars: 'Aureus Nana'—Berkman's Gold Arborvitae—5' x 4', slow growing. Pointed, globe-shape form; tips are bright golden yellow; 'Bluecone'—5' x 4', upright pyramidal form with bluish cast; 'Westmont'—4' x 4', slow growing, compact, globe shape. Rich dark-green foliage with yellow tips.

Prunus glandulosaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub5' x 5'S/PSHDwarf Flowering AlmondNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. A somewhat weak, multi-stemmed shrub which needs frequent

pruning to keep from looking straggly. It is grown for its profuse display of pink or white single or double flowers, which bloom in late April/early May. Susceptible to fireblight. See Prunus General

Comments.

Prunus laurocerasus 'Otto Luyken' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' PSH/SH
Otto Luyken Laurel Non-native Zone: 6

Comments:

Prefers a moist, organic soil with acid pH, but will tolerate neutral conditions. Dark green, glossy, lancelike foliage. White flowers in May followed by shiny black berries. Plant where it is very protected from winter winds. Takes pruning well, so prune off any winter-burned leaves. Ideal for use in heavy shade, shrub borders, and as an accent.

Prunus subhirtella 'Pendula' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10' x 10' S Weeping Higan Cherry Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Soil adaptable; must be well-drained. Small tree with graceful, weeping branches and delicate double pink blossoms in May. Prune out any branches that exhibit upright rather than weeping form. Use as an accent near patio and entry. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus tomentosaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub10' x 8'SNanking CherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Prefers moist, well drained soil. Soft green, textured leaf. Fragrant flower is a pink bud opening to white in mid-April (one of the earliest flowering prunus species). Showy, edible red berry ripening in June and July. Best as background filler or mass planting. Very hardy. Fruit is good for jams or jellies and will encourage birds to visit the yard. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus trilobaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 5'SFlowering AlmondNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Prefers moist, rich, well drained soil. Leaves are three-lobed and textured. Flowers are most outstanding feature—double, pink, small and buttonlike in April/May. Fruit is rare. Good in shrub bed. Can be rangy and weak-stemmed. Prune after flowering. Upright, open habit. Use as background or filler. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus x cistenaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 6'SPurple-Leaf SandcherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Soil adaptable. Oval, lance-shaped, reddish purple leaves. Single, pinkish, fragrant flowers in April/May. Fruit is black-purple. Flowers emerge just after leaves, so flowers and foliage are a nice contrast. Holds color well through summer. A wide-spreading shrub; good in shrub border. Also known as Cistena Plum. See Prunus General Comments.

Pyracantha augustifoliaS-EvergreenM/Tall Shrub8' x 8'S/PSHNarrow-Leaf FirethornNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Tolerates dry soil and slightly acidic to neutral pH. Densely branched, erect and broad-spreading. Excellent for espalier. Lustrous green leaf. Foliage can burn if exposed in harsh winter. Cultivar: 'Yukon Belle'—hardy, with orange berry and profuse white flowers.

Pyracantha coccinea Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 10' x 10' S/PSH Scarlet Firethorn Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Tolerates dry soil and slightly acidic to neutral pH. More upright form than *P. augustifolia*, above. Hardy, with scarlet berries following profuse white flowers. Densely branched, erect and broadspreading. Excellent for espalier. Lustrous green leaf. Foliage can burn if exposed in harsh winter; it may even die back to ground, but it will recover. 'Kasan'—another hardy form; 'Lelandei—most hardy and widely grown. Orange-red berry; 'Wyattii'—another hardy form. Tolerates poor soil.

Rhododendron (species) Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4'-6' x 4'-5' S/PSH/SH Rhododendron Non-native Zone: varies

Comments:

LAVENDER/VIOLET: 'Anah Kruschke'—6' x 5'—Sun. Reddish lavender-purple flower. Lush, dark green foliage, -15°F; 'Daphnoides'—4' x 4'—Pshade. Purple flower, glossy foliage, dense grower. Tolerates sun, -25°F; 'Fastuosum Flore Pleno'—6' x 5'—Sun. Lavender-blue flower with dark throat. Open rounded habit, -15°F; 'Purpureum Elegans'—6' x 5'—Sun. Blue-purple flower, nice foliage, -15°F. PINK: 'Cynthia'—6' x 5' —PShade. Rosey crimson. Strong grower. Background accent. Sun and heat tolerant, -15°F; 'Pioneer'—5' x 5'—PShade. Rose Pink. Small, semi-evergreen leaf. Upright grower. Blooms early, -25°F; 'PJM'—4' x 4'—Pshade. Lavender-pink flowers in April, dark green foliage in sumer, plum-purple in fall. -20°F; 'Scintillation'—5' x 5'—PShade. Pastel pink flower. Large, shiny foliage curled at edges, -15°F; 'Spring Dawn'—5' x 5'—Sun—Rosy pink flower with yellow blotch. Nice foliage and vigorous grower, -20°F. RED: 'America'—5'—Sun. Pure red flower, heavily-veined leaf, -20°F; 'Lord Roberts'—5'—Sun. Deep red flower with black blotch. Glossy green, crinkled foliage, -15°F; 'Nova Zembla'—5' x 5'—Sun. Red flower. Good foliage, vigorous grower, -25°F; 'Vulcan'— 5' x 5'—Sun. Bright red flower. Striking foliage, -15°F; WHITE: 'Bette Heller'—5' x 5'—Sun. Pure white flower with gold blotch. Large trusse, lush foliage, -10°F; 'Boule de Niege'—5' x 5'—Snowball white. Bright green foliage. Heat and sun tolerant, -25°F; 'Catawbiense Album'—5'—Sun. White flower with green-yellow blotch. Blooms late, -25°F; 'Cunningham's White'—4' x 4'—PShade. Pink flower bud opening to white flower with green-yellow blotch. Compact habit, -15°F. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhododendron: Exbury hybrids Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 4' x 5' S/PSH Exbury/Knaphill Azaleas Non-native Zone: 5-6

Comments:

Upright growers with textured, medium-green foliage. Flower color ranges from pastel pinks and deep golden to light lemon-yellows to orange and red-oranges. Blooms in mid to late May as, or shortly before, new foliage appears. 'Cannon's Double'—wonderful double pink. Hardy to -10°F; 'Gibraltar'—brilliant orange-red; one of the most popular. Hardy to -15°F; 'Klondyke'—golden yellow in May. Hardy to -15°F; 'Sunset Pink'—5" pink flowers with yellow blotch in May, hardy to -10°F; 'King's Red Exbury'—lightly ruffled light red flowers; 'Northern Starburst'—earlier bloomer, large clusters of intense pink flowers; 'Oxydol Exbury Azalea'—large white flowers, yellow spots. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhododendron: Northern Lights Deciduous M/Tall Shrub Varies S/PSH
Northern Lights Azaleas Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Nice compact habit. Abundant bloomers. Fragrant flowers in early May on bare stems. Broad color variation from white to orchid to soft and deep pink. Exceptionally hardy (-35° to -45°F). Exceptional choice for landscapes. 'Rosy Lights'—dark rose pink, 4'–5' x 5'–6'; 'Orchid Lights'—soft lilac (more compact form 2'–3' x 2'–3'); 'Spicy Lights'—yellowish pink single bloom 4'–5' x 3'–4'; 'White Lights'—pure white 5'–6' x 5'–6'. See Rhododendron General Comments.

Rhodotypos scandens Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5' S/PSH/SH Black Jetbead Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Very soil adaptable. Contrasting light green foliage heavily toothed on the margins. Interesting

dogwoodlike, white 4-petaled flowers in late May followed by shiny black fruit, 3–4 in a grouping. Durable and hardy shrub for adverse conditions and deep shade. Unique plant for variety of texture,

foliage color, flowers and fruit. Vigorous grower. Available in catalogs.

Rhus glabra Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 15' x 10' S Smooth Sumac Native Zone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable. Can be drought tolerant. Broad spreading large shrub—may even be single-trunked

small tree. Compound dark green leaves have brilliant red and orange fall color. Yellow/green cone shaped flower clusters in spring change over summer to dark red dryish looking cones, favored by

many birds and small animals. Good naturalizer, soil stabilizer.

Rhus trilobata

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S

Oakleaf Sumac Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, but best in dry sites. Light green, 3-lobed leaves. Flowers are yellow and pea-like. Fall color

is excellent. Sumac is useful in planting disturbed areas. Also called "skunkbush."

Rhus typhina Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 15' x 10' S/PSH Staghorn Sumac Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, but a dry, infertile soil is best. Open, spreading shrub with flat crown and picturesque

branching. Ornamental cone-shaped russet fruit appear in August. Fuzzy fruit and stems. Sensational scarlet-orange fall color. Tends to sucker, so not a good lawn tree. Beautiful along woodland edges. Use in clumps or as a single specimen. Tolerates neglect. 'Laciniata Cutleaf', 8' x 8' wide spreading,

medium green foliage, use as an accent or in mass plantings.

Ribes alpinumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub5' x 5'S/PSHAlpine CurrantNativeZone: 2

Comments: Will tolerate any soil type. Leaf bright green, generally 3-lobed. Flower is insignificant, yellow-green

and small. Sparse, nonedible red berry. Habit is distinctly upright and densely branched. Excellent for hedging. Not exceptional as single specimen. Will leaf out very early in spring. Fall color is dull yellow.

Ribes aureum

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 5' S
Golden Currant

Native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable. Large shrub with yellow trumpet flowers in May followed by yellow to red berries.

Very hardy and drought tolerant. Attracts hummingbirds and other wildlife.

Ribes sanguineum Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Red-Flowering Currant Non-Native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable; fairly drought-tolerant. Maple-like leaf is 3–5 lobed, and heavy-textured. Flowers

are deep pink to red and in drooping clusters blooming in April/May. Non-ornamental blue-black berries produced late season. Beautiful fall color persists very late into fall/early winter. Good as mass planting or shrub border addition. Cultivar: 'White Icicle'—same habit, with white flowers. Effective

when planted with red-flowering currant.

Rosa nutkana Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' S/PSH Nootka Rose Native Zone: 3

Adaptable, prefers moist soils. An erect, low to mid-sized shrub with large (2-3") solitary pink Comments:

flowers blooming June–July. Found with ponderosa pines/Douglas fir and ninebark. Sprawling

in shaded sites. Suckers freely. Good barrier plant.

Rosa species Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 3'-6' S **Shrub Roses** Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable, provide adequate water throughout the season. 'Bonica'—4', small double pink flower,

> broad spreader with arching branches; 'F.J. Grootendorst'—6', small double fragrant, recurrent blooms, bright red flower; Rosa x harisonii—6', single, profuse flowers, blooms early summer; 'Therese Bugnet'—6', large double fragrant pink flowers, extended bloomer; 'Sir Thomas Lipton'—

6', large double white fragrant flower, recurrent bloomer.

Rosa woodsii Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 4' S/PSH Wood's Rose Native Zone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable. 1–2" pink flowers in clusters of 3–5 appear May–July. Rose hips are valuable source

of vitamin C and are used by bears, grouse and quail. Provides erosion control and common with

ninebark and snowberry.

Salix bebbiana Decidous M/Tall Shrub 10' to 30' **Bebb Willow** Native Zone: 2

Comments: Requires moisture. Shrub or small tree. Varies from a dense to straggly habit. Reddish-brown branches;

leaves are dull green above and gray below, with a whitish cast. Male or female catkins appear just

before or with opening leaves. Found in wetland sites.

Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S/PSH Salix purpurea

Blue Arctic Willow or Purple Osier Willow Non-native Zone: 4

Adaptable to most soils, but thrives in rich, moist soil. Foliage is a delicate, narrow, bluish and finely-**Comments:**

> textured leaf. Flower and berry are insignificant. This plant is unique for its variable purposes. Good for naturalizing or stabilizing banks and slopes. If ample room is available, it is showy as single specimen

or massing because of its unique coloring. Very fast growing with showy purple stems in winter.

Salix scouleriana Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10'+ S/PSH Scouler Willow Native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moisture. This is the only upland native willow, requiring less water than any

other willow species. Rapid growing rounded shrub or small tree that can reach 30'. Oval dark green leaves turn yellow in fall. "Pussy willow" type catkins in spring. Useful for naturalizing areas and

establishing cover over disturbed areas.

Sambucus cerulea Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 10–12' S/PSH
Blue Elderberry Native Zone: 5

Comments: Highly adaptable to medium dry soil conditions. Compound shiny green leaf; generally 9 leaflets,

sometimes 5–7. Flat creamy white flower clusters are followed by dark-blue edible berries which are attractive to birds. Berries can be used in jellies and wine. Best in naturalized situations as branch and

twig dieback are common.

Sambucus racemosa var. melocarpa Decidous M/Tall Shrub Up to 8' S/PS Black Elderberry Native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable to many soil conditions. A variety of the Red Elderberry (*Sambuncus racemosa*). Typical

spreading habit, 5 to 7 leaflets. Round loose flowerhead, shiny black berries.

Shepherdia argentea or canadenses Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 8' PS/Shade Buffalo Berry Native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable from dry to moist. A small to medium spreading shrub. Small dark green leaves,

Under-surfaces have silvery hairs and small rusty brown spots. Yellowish brown flowers followed

by bitter, red-orange berries.

Spiraea cantoniensis 'Lanceata' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5' S Double Reeves Spirea Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: A compact and mounded form with graceful arching branches. Profuse double white flowers in

April. Prune after flowering. Use in shrub border or as hedge. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea prunifolia Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' S Shoe Button Spirea Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Very upright habit with small glossy-green leaves. Small double pure-white flowers in April. Regular

pruning required after flowering, or it can get leggy and unattractive. Good as background filler, in

shrub border or as hedge. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea thunbergiiDeciduousM/Tall Shrub5' x 5'SThunberg SpireaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Narrow, light-green leaf. First spirea to bloom with white flowers in March. Upright, loose, open

habit. Requires regular pruning after flowering. Good fall color. Use in shrub border or as hedge. Cultivar: 'Ogon'—upright arching, yellow leaves, white flowers. See Spiraea General Comments.

Spiraea x bumalda 'Froebelii'DeciduousM/Tall Shrub4' x 4'SFroebel SpireaNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Rounded, dense form with good fall color. Slightly larger than 'Anthony Waterer', but similar in other

respects. Makes a good informal hedge; use in the shrub border or as an accent. Deep pink flowers

appear throughout summer. See Spiraea General Comments.

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Spiraea x vanhoutteiDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 8'S/PSHVanhoutte spirea or Bridal-WreathNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Fairly drought tolerant. Foliage is bluish green, small and lightly toothed. Profuse clusters of flat-

topped white flowers in April/May. Slender, dense, twiggy branching requires regular pruning after

flowering. Use as background filler or as hedge. See Spiraea General Comments.

Syringa meyeri 'Palibin' Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 6' x 6' S
Dwarf Korean Lilac Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable to most soils. Unusual variety with distinctive dark-green foliage. Initially slow growing.

Compact form, densely branched. Lavender flowers in May. Blooms profusely at an early age.

Mildew-resistant. Use in shrub border or as hedge.

Syringa vulgaris Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 15' x 12' S Common Lilac Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Requires moisture. Upright and densely branched, suckering freely. Fragrant lavender flowers in May.

Best reserved for the shrub border or informal hedge. Becomes leggy and mildewed in shade. Recommended French hybrid cultivars: 'Angel White'— fragrant single, pure-white flower; 'Charles Joly'— fragrant wine-red double flower; 'Katherine Havemeyer'—fragrant double pink flower; 'Ludwig

Spaeth'—fragrant single purple flower.

Syringa x chinensis Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 12' x 10' S Chinese Lilac Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Lovely full-spreading and round-topped lilac. Small, more narrow leaf. More textured

and profuse in flower than common lilac. Fragrant lilac-purple flower is large and loose. Excellent

selection for the shrub border.

Syringa x prestoniae Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 8' S
Preston Lilac Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Bushy and dense habit with straight, upright branching. Blooms later than the

common lilac. Extremely hardy and reliable. Slower growing, with large atypical leaf. Superior selection. Great in shrub border or hedge. Recommended cultivars: 'Donald Wyman'—8', deep

pink to almost red in late May to early June; 'James MacFarlane'—8', single, pink and

free-flowering late May to early June.

Taxus cuspidata 'Densiformis' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 4' x 4' S/PSH/SH

Densa Japanese Yew Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Requires fertile, moist, well drained soil. Attractive deep-green needled foliage with upright, spreading

form. Slow growing and dense branching. Use in hedges, shrub borders and as specimen plantings.

Highly suitable for shade planting. See Taxus General Comments.

Taxus media Evergreen M/Tall Shrub Variable S/PSH/SH Anglojap Yew Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist, sandy, well drained loam. Extremely variable in size and habit. The result of a hybrid

cross of the Japanese yew and the English or Common Yew. All yews tolerate heavy shearing. Cultivars most likely seen in local nurseries: 'Densiformis'—4' x 6', dense and shrublike; 'Hatfieldii'—12' x 10', dense with broad, pyramidal form; 'Wardii'—6' x 15', wide-spreading, dense form. See Taxus General

Comments.

Taxus x 'Meyeri'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub10' x 5'S/PSHMeyer's YewNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Densely branched, broad columnar form that lends itself to shearing. Very dark green foliage. Use as a

hedge, screen or accent. See Taxus General Comments.

Taxus x media 'Hicksii' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 10' x 3' S/PSH/SH Hicks Yew Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Needs a moist, well drained soil. A dark green evergreen with columnar habit. Use as an accent (form)

or as a hedge or screen. May be slightly broader at center than at base or top. See Taxus General

Comments.

Thuja occidentalis Evergreen M/Tall Shrub Variable S
American Arborvitae Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable, but good drainage and regular watering are necessary for best growth. There are a

variety of shapes, colors and sizes. See below for some of the best. Often used as hedge. Tolerates shearing well. Additional cultivars: 'Emerald Green'—10' x 5', narrow, dense, pyramidal form with good green foliage color that holds well. Requires less pruning and is lighter than the common pyramidal arborvitae; 'Nigra'—12' x 6', dense branching forms a loose cone shape. Holds dark green color well. Good informal hedge; 'Pyramidalis'—15' x 5', narrow, conical form. Somewhat loose and

open. Can winter burn; 'Woodwardii'—6' x 8', globular form, wider than tall.

Thuja occidentalis 'Hetz's Midget'EvergreenM/Tall Shrub4' x 3'S/PSHHetz Midget ArborvitaeNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a fertile, moist, well-drained soil. An excellent dark blue-green, compact, slow-growing, globe.

Use as low hedge, specimen, and in the shrub border. Remove heavy snows in winter. Other dwarf varieties include: 'Little Giant'—Slow-growing, rounded form with rich green foliage; 'Rheingold'—Slow-growing form of rich golden color. Conical in shape, and 'Tom Thumb'—Slow growing,

broader than tall form.

Tsuga canadensis 'Monler' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub 6' x 3' S/PSH Emerald Fountain Hemlock Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. A bushy column of dense branches. Requires little pruning. Dark

green foliage. Use as a low-maintenance hedge or screen.

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Tsuga canadensis 'Pendula' Evergreen M/Tall Shrub Variable PSH/SH Sargent's Weeping Hemlock Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained, acid soil. Fine-textured needles. Broad spreading tree with overlapping

branches forming a dense mound. Tolerates pruning. Striking appearance makes this an excellent

accent or specimen. Can also be used as hedge.

Viburnum carlesii Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 5' x 5' S/PSH Korean Spice Viburnum Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers well drained, slightly acid soil. Leaves are dull green and fuzzy underneath. Flower is similar

to Burkwood viburnum. Rounded form with upright branching. Compact, tidy habit, and fragrant

flowers make this a must for any shrub bed.

Viburnum dentatumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 6'S/PSHArrowwoodNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Quite soil adaptable. Densely-branched upright shrub becoming rounded with maturity. Nonfragrant,

cream-colored, flat-topped flowers in June. Showy clusters of blue-black fruit attract birds. Excellent fall color. Good choice for the shrub border or informal hedge. See Viburnum General Comments.

Viburnum lantanaDeciduousM/Tall Shrub12' x 10'S/PSHWayfaring TreeNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Tolerates dry soils. Same habit and flower as arrowwood viburnum above. The foliage is different

from other viburnums as it is dull bluish green and fuzzy, top and bottom. Persistent, showy fruit is attractive to birds. Inconsistent fall color. Good in shrub border. Cultivar 'Mohican' has 6' x 6' compact growth. Heavy dark green foliage, white flat topped flowers. Fruit is orange-red to black.

Viburnum lentago Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 15' x 10' S/PSH/SH Nannyberry Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Tolerates moist or dry soils. Lustrous dark green leaf with wavy margin. Open, upright and often

rangy habit. Nonfragrant, flat-topped flowers in April/May. Showy berry clusters. Very hardy, inviting for birds. Arching branches with white flower clusters in May. Berries are bluish black in the fall and make good winter food for birds. Ideal for naturalizing or as background screening plant. Watch for mildew when planted in shady areas. Tends to send up suckers. See Viburnum General Comments.

Viburnum opulus Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 12' x 10' S/PSH European Cranberry Bush Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable to extremes of soil types, including wet and boggy. Large, open, form; dark green leaves,

white flat flower clusters. Large red berries with unpleasant odor. Very prone to sever aphid infestations that curl and deform leaves. Cultivars: 'Compactum'—5' x 6', rounded, compact habit;

'Roseum'—common snowball bush. Large double white flowers.

Viburnum plicatum plicatumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub15' x 15'SJapanese SnowballNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Oval, dull dark green, strongly veined leaves 3–6" long, turning purplish red in fall.

Snowball clusters of white flowers 2–3" across, blooming in May.

Viburnum plicatum tomentosumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub8' x 8'S/PSHDoublefile ViburnumNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Requires moist, well drained soil. This is an improved variety of the doublefile viburnum. Strong,

horizontal-branching habit, forming a broadly-rounded shrub. Creamy white flowers in May. Black fruit clusters. Good fall color. An outstanding selection. 'Mariesii'—has larger flowers, 'Shasta'—6' x 10' broad, rounded form. Large white flowers. 'Shoshone'—5' x 8' is similar, but smaller than 'Shasta'.

Viburnum sargentiiDeciduousM/Tall Shrub10' x 12'S/PSHSargent ViburnumNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Dark green foliage. Creamy white flowers in flat clusters. Large scarlet fruit. Similar in all respects to

V. opulus, except that it seems more vigorous and is more resistant to aphids. Cultivar: 'Onondaga'—8' x 6', globose, compact form. Foliage is tinged with maroon all through the growing season; flowers

tinged purple. Produces fruit sparingly.

Viburnum trilobumDeciduousM/Tall Shrub12' x 10'S/PSHAmerican Cranberry BushNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Similar in characteristics to *V. opulus* but is hardier, native to northern U.S. and not susceptible to

aphids. A good choice for shrub borders, naturalizing or as a specimen with year round interest.

'Compactum'—a compact variety reaching 5-6'.

Viburnum x burkwoodii Dec./S-Ever. M/Tall Shrub 8' x 6' PSH/SH

Burkwood Viburnum Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable. Lustrous dark green leaf. Upright and multi-stemmed, almost rangy. Showy, heavily-

fragrant flower, pink in bud opening to white in April. Excellent choice for the shrub border, as it is open and informal. Good fall color. Prune after flowering, and only to improve form. Also good for

espalier.

Weigela florida Deciduous M/Tall Shrub 8' x 9' S Weigela Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers well drained soil. Upright, open and spreading. Coarse appearance in the

winter. Colorful tubular flowers in May and June and often again in the fall. Best in shrub border. Recommended cultivars: 'Java Red'—4', compact and mounded with reddish foliage; 'Newport Red'—6', red flower. Vigorous, more hardy and more shapely form; 'Red Prince'—6', rich red nonfading flower, green foliage; 'Variegata'—5', green and cream variegated foliage; pale pink

flower; 'Pink Princess Weigela'—6' x 6', loose open form, bright pink flowers.

SHRUBS/SMALL TREES—10 TO 30 FEET

Acer buergerianunDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 20'STrident MapleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers well drained soils but tolerant of semi-drought conditions. Small stature tree with rounded

form. Glossy green three-lobed leaves turn red and orange in fall. Ideal in small yards and street

plantings. See Acer General Comments.

Acer campestreDeciduousShrub/S. Tree30' x 30'S/PSHHedge MapleNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Generally adaptable to most soils. The best maple for dry, alkaline soils. Tolerates compaction and

pollution. Interesting corky fissures on stems. Late, yellow fall color. Excellent small lawn and street tree frequently used as a hedge, as name implies. May be hard to locate, but some nurseries will special

order. Tree form and shrub form available. See Acer General Comments.

Acer circinatumDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 10'PSH/SHVine MapleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a loose, moist soil. Native to Pacific Northwest. Palmate leaf with 5–7 lobes. A small, compact

maple with interesting twisting branches. Distinctly upright, usually with multiple trunks. Summer color is light green turning to a good yellow/orange/scarlet in fall. Good for natural landscapes or can

be informally espaliered against a shady wall. See Acer General Comments.

Acer ginnalaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 20'S/PSHAmur MapleNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Adaptable to most soils but grows best in moist, well drained conditions. A very hardy multi-stemmed

small tree with narrow 3-lobed leaf. Sometimes available with a single trunk. May be used as a specimen, screen or in groupings. Can be heavily pruned. Brilliant yellow/red fall color. Best fall color when planted in full sun. The winged fruit (samaras) hang on the tree throughout winter. Cultivar 'Flame' is one of the nicest cultivars. Smaller sized cultivars listed in Medium/Tall Shrubs section. See Acer

General Comments.

Acer glabrumDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 15'PSHRocky Mountain Maple, Douglas MapleNativeZone: 4

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers shady, damp areas beneath Grand firs and Douglas firs. Common along

streams. Small leaves, 2–3 inches wide, turn orange or red in fall. New twigs bright red color.

See Acer General Comments.

Acer griseumDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 15'SPaperbark MapleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Adaptable to most soils but does best in a moist, well drained situation. Has a beautiful cinnamon

or red-brown bark that exfoliates to expose these colors. The bark is very ornamental and provides a special interest or focal point in the garden. Late to color with a bronze-red foliage color. Somewhat

rare; may require special order. Slow growing. See Acer General Comments.

Acer japonicum 'Acontifolium'DeciduousShrub/S. Tree15' x 10'PSHFernleaf Full Moon MapleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers moist soils. Delicate looking shrubby tree with rounded form. Rounded, deeply cut leaves with

red and orange brilliant fall color. See Acer General Comments.

Acer negundo 'Flamingo' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 15' S Flamingo Box Elder Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Very soil and site adaptable. Although the species boxelder tree is not recommended for the landscape,

the cultivars 'Flamingo' and 'Sensation' are because of their more controlled growth and improved branch structure. 'Flamingo' has variegated white and green leaves with new foliage showing pink

tones. See Acer General Comments.

Acer negundo 'Sensation' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 30' x 15' S Flamingo Boxelder Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Very soil and site adaptable. Although the species boxelder tree is not recommended for the landscape,

the cultivars 'Flamingo' and 'Sensation' are because of their more controlled growth and improved branch structure. 'Sensation' has medium green summer foliage which turns brilliant red in fall. See

Acer General Comments.

Acer palmatumDeciduousShrub/S. TreeVariesPSHJapanese MapleNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers moist, well drained soils. There are dozens of cultivars of this gracefully branched, airy, medium

tall ornamental tree. Inclusion of the cultivars here is not possible. The species (*A. palmatum*) has green leaves and is faster growing than the cultivars. Many cultivars have red or purple leaves. New branches and twigs vary in color from green to polished red. Dappled shade is ideal. Red leaved cultivars become green in too much shade. All are nice near patios, entries and walkways, providing a strong focal point for outdoor living areas. Heights vary from 15 to 25 feet; widths are generally equal to or greater than the height. Wrap trunks of young trees if exposed to the sun to prevent sunscald. Japanese maples are classified as non-dissected or dissected types. Non-dissected types have 5 or 7 deeply cut, pointed lobes in each leaf. Dissected types (laceleaf maples) have 5, 7, or 9 lobes which are much more

deeply and finely cut, lending an almost feathery appearance. See Acer General Comments.

Acer platanoides 'Globosum' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 18' S Globe Norway Maple Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable but prefers a moist, rich soil environment. Very dense, compact, aptly named tree.

Green leaves turn to yellow in the fall. Good for smaller areas and for under power lines. See General

Comments.

Alnus incana spp. tenufolia Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 12' S/PSH

Mountain Alder, Thinleaf Alder Native Zone: 2

Comments: Requires moist soil as in streamside or sub-irrigated sites. Often multi-branched and thicket forming.

Shiny green leaves remain green throughout much of autumn. Catkins develop before leaves and

persist through winter, providing food source for birds. Tree roots "fix" nitrogen.

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Alnus sinuata Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 12' S/PSH
Sitka Alder Native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil and site adaptable shrub or small tree. Shiny green leaves. Catkins develop before leaves. Grows

in disturbed areas where other shrubs have difficulty establishing. Tree roots "fix" nitrogen.

Amelanchier alnifolia Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 10' S/PSH
Serviceberry Native Zone: 2

Comments: Adapts to most soils but prefers a moist, well drained soil. Upright, multi-stemmed form. Graceful

white flowers appear in spring before leaves. Excellent when used in natural landscapes, especially with dark backgrounds. Red to blue berries are edible and make good jams and preserves. Native throughout Inland Northwest. A. canadensis, A. grandiflora and A. laevis are available in trade but not native.

Aronia melanocarpa Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 10' x 8' S/PSH Black Chokeberry Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers moist, rich, well drained soil. Upright and multi-branched. Lustrous

green leaf with small white or reddish flower. Persistent black berries and showy fall colors. Suckers

freely. Use as mass planting and screening.

Betula occidentalis Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 15' S/PSH Water Birch Native Zone: 4

Comments: Needs moisture. Single or multi-stemmed tree with coppery-brown bark and deep green leaves.

Golden fall color. Native to streamsides and rivers, commonly in clumps or thickets.

Betula pendula 'Youngii' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 20' S/PSH Young's Weeping birch Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Requires consistant moisture and fertile soil. Weeping form of white birch tree with branches that

hang straight down. Asymmetric shape. Well suited to small garden areas. Dark green leaves change

to yellow in fall. See Betula General Comments.

Caragana arborescens Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 12' S Siberian Peashrub Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Very drought tolerant. Small compound leaf with yellow fall color. Bright yellow flowers bloom on old wood in May. Persistent seed pods. 1–3" long. Stiffly upright tree with small thorny spines. Wood is a

wood in May. Persistent seed pods, 1–3" long. Stiffly upright tree with small thorny spines. Wood is a contrasting yellow-green color. Use as hedge, windbreak, or screen. Very hardy. 'Pendula' is a weeping

cultivar, 15' x 15'.

Cercis canadensis Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 25' S/PSH
Eastern Redbud Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers a deep, moist, well drained soil, but will tolerate any soil type except wet. Has a short trunk

with spreading branches. Pink pea-like flowers appear before leaves in early spring. New heart-shaped leaves are reddish purple, turning to dark green. Fall color is yellow. Looks nice in natural landscapes or as a specimen plant. For strong growth, water and fertilize regularly. Not as hardy as *C. occidentalis*.

Cercis occidentalis Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 18' x 18' S Western Redbud Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Drought tolerant after 2–3 years of watering. Usually a multi-stemmed small tree. Native to Califor-

nia, Arizona, and Utah. Large, 3" bluegreen leaves with yellow or red fall colors. Flowers for 3 weeks

with a brilliant display of magenta flowers. Excellent for dry, well drained banks.

Cercocarpus ledifolius Evergreen Shrub/S. Tree 10' x 5' S/PSH Curl-leaf Mountain Mahogany Native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers hot, dry sites. Drought tolerant large evergreen with slender pointed leathery leaves, twisted

branches and feathery plumed seeds. Excellent ornamental for use as background in a border and in

nauralized areas.

Cornus alternifoliaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree10' x 15'PSHPagoda DogwoodNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Adapts to most soils, but does best in cool, moist, acid conditions. A small shrub or tree with strongly

horizontal branching. Nice winter interest. Flowers are yellowish white and not of particular ornamental value. Light green leaves turn dull red in fall. Blue-black fruit. May be used to soften bold, vertical line of architecture or nature. Relatively short, but wide-spreading tree. See Cornus General Comments.

Cornus florida Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 12' x 12' S/PSH/SH Flowering Dogwood Non-native Zone: 6

Comments: Prefers an acid, cool, moist, well drained soil. Appreciated for its small stature, spri

Prefers an acid, cool, moist, well drained soil. Appreciated for its small stature, spring blooms and nice branch structure for winter interest. Many cultivars in the trade with varying flower color and hardiness. Makes a good specimen, screen or windbreak. Some recommended ones: 'Cherokee Chief'—deep rosy-red flowers in May before the leaves expand. Leaves are dark green in summer, turning to reddish purple in fall. Fairly upright in habit. Used for a strong accent in color and form. Watch for fungal diseases: leaf spots, cankers, anthracnose, blossom blight. Pay close attention to cultural needs and plant in protected locations with respect to winter sun and winds. 'Cherokee Princess'—early spring white flower bracts. White varieties are generally hardier than the pink or red varieties. Even so, they require special attention to cultural needs. 'Rubra'—hardy to Zone 5; rosy-pink flower bracts. 'Welchii'—

hardy to Zone 4; flowers on this variety are not profuse. It is grown primarily for its leaf color interest. Leaves are variegated, creamy white, pink, deep rose, and green throughout the summer. See Cornus General Comments.

Cornus kousaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 20'S/PSHKousa DogwoodNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Less fussy about soil than other dogwoods. Does well in sandy, organic soils. A bit more drought-

tolerant than *C. florida*. A full, bushy, horizontal-spreading tree with profuse white blooms in June. Interesting strawberrylike red fruit in fall and a lovely mottled bark on mature specimens. Good red fall color. Preferable to *C. florida* in disease resistance and bud hardiness. Do not plant in full shade.

Look for variety 'Chinensis' and its cultivars. See Cornus General Comments.

Cornus mas

Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 12' S/PSH
Cornelian Cherry Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Grows in ordinary garden soil. Will tolerate alkaline soils. This is a bushy shrub that can be pruned to a tree form. Eye catching small yellow blossoms on bare twigs in March. Bright scarlet edible fruit in fall. Reddish fall foliage. An easy-care specimen planted for its interesting and early flower habit. See

Cornus General Comments.

Cornus racemosa Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 12' x 12' S/PSH/SH Grey Dogwood Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Very adaptable. Good for naturalized landscapes. Green leaves turn purplish red in fall. Cream colored

flowers in spring followed by small white berries on red stalks. Birds attracted to berries. Great fall and

winter character. See Cornus General Comments.

Cotinus obovatusDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 20'SAmerican SmoketreeNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Large, fuzzy flower clusters, 4 inches in diameter, give this small, rounded tree its name.

Round green leaves change to different tones of yellow, orange, red and purple in fall. Striking plant.

Crataegus columbiana Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 15' S Columbia Hawthorn Native Zone: 4

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers sunny moist locations. Large thorny shrub or small tree with white spring

flowers, long thorns and red fruit in fall. Fall foliage yellow. Excellent for hedgerow or wildlife

plantings. See Crataegus General Comments.

Crataegus crus-galli Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 25' S Cockspur Hawthorn Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. Dense rounded tree with spreading branches, long thorns. Green, glossy and leathery

leaves change to orange, bronze and scarlet in fall. See Crataegus General Comments.

Crataegus douglasii Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 15' S Douglas Hawthorn Native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist to wet locations but adaptable to well drained sites. Shrubby tree with clusters of white

flowers in May–June followed by small, black fruit. Shiny green leaves. Easily identified by 1"-long thorns on branches. Fruit is food source for birds and small animals. In nature, often found growing

near streams. See Crataegus General Comments.

Crataegus laevigata
Deciduous
Shrub/S. Tree
18' x 15'
S
'Paul's Scarlet' and 'Crimson Cloud'
Non-native
Zone: 4

Hawthorn

Comments: Adaptable to most soils, but should be well drained. Two commonly available cultivars: 'Paul's Scarlet'

—clusters of double flowers are rose red in color. Very showy. Very susceptible to mildew and leaf spot, which can sometimes cause defoliation. Thorns are 1" long. 'Crimson Cloud'—Shapely tree. Bright red single flowers with white centers. Bright red fruit persists into winter. Foliage has a high resistance

to leaf-spot diseases. Thorns are 1 inch long. See Crataegus General comments.

Crataegus phaenopyrumDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 20'S/PSHWashington HawthornNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Adaptable to most soils, but should be well drained. Will tolerate some shade. More disease resistant

than other hawthorns. A rounded, dense, thorny tree with 2–3" thorns. Lustrous dark green summer foliage with excellent fall color. White flowers. Fruit persists well into winter. Nice specimen plant, hedge, or screen. Avoid high-traffic areas due to long thorns. See Crataegus General Comments.

Zone: 4

Crataegus x lavallei Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 30' x 20' S

Comments: Adaptable to most soils, but should be well drained. Dense oval tree with lustrous dark green foliage

in summer turning to orange/coppery red in fall. Attractive white flowers. Long 2" thorns. Fruit is orange-red in color and persists into winter. This hybrid has a vase-shaped habit and may mature

much smaller than 30' in height. See Crataegus General Comments.

Non-native

Fagus sylvatica 'Pendula'

Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 12' x 12' S/PSH

Weeping Beech Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil-adaptable, but prefers moist, well drained soil. The growth habit will vary and can be taller or

broader than stated above. Foliage is a striking textured, lustrous green. Form is a dense characteristic mound with gracefully weeping branches. This is a fine specimen tree for a small courtyard or entry.

Needs some pruning to enhance and maintain form.

Lavalle Hawthorn

Fagus sylvatica 'Purpurea Pendula' Shrub/S. Tree 10' x 15' S/PSH Purple Weeping Beech Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moist well drained soil. Slow growing, broadly weeping tree with purple foliage.

Assumes dome shape. Children can play beneath canopy of this specimen tree.

Juniperus chinensis Evergreen Shrub/S. Tree Variable S Juniper Non-native Zone: 4–5

Comments: Some cultivars include: 'Keteleeri'—to 15'. Soil adaptable but should be well-drained. A fast-growing

tree, loosely pyramidal in form. Medium green foliage with blue-green berries. Lends itself to shearing well so may be used as hedge. 4'–15'. 'Spartan'—15' x 3'. Soil-adaptable, but must be well drained. Narrow, columnar habit. Fast and dense growing. Color is a rich green. Makes a nice vertical accent plant. 4'–15'. 'Torulosa'—20' x 15'. Soil adaptable, but should be well drained. A vivid green with

twisting branches giving it an interesting form. Good as an accent shrub or screen.

Juniperus scopulorumEvergreenShrub/S. Tree15' x 8'SRocky Mountain JuniperNativeZone: 3

Comments: Likes hot, dry sites. Not fussy about soil type. Columnar evergreen with blue green foliage. Useful

either as a specimen or in groupings or windbreaks. See Juniperus General Comments.

Juniperus scopulorum 'Gray Gleam'EvergreenShrub/S. Tree10' x 5'SMedora JuniperNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Good contrasting blue-green foliage. Slow-growing, columnar form. Hardy plant needing little if any

pruning. See Juniperus General Comments.

Juniperus scopulorum 'Pathfinder' Evergreen Shrub/S. Tree 20' S Pathfinder Juniper Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable but should be well drained. A bluish gray pyramidal form. Leaves are in flat sprays.

See Juniperus General Comments.

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Juniperus scopulorum 'Skyrocket'EvergreenShrub/S. Tree15' x 3'SSkyrocket JuniperNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but should be well drained. Very narrow, columnar form with silver-blue foliage.

A strong vertical accent shrub. Use with care. See Juniperus General Comments.

Juniperus scopulorum 'Wichita Blue' Evergreen Shrub/S. Tree to 20' S Wichita Blue Juniper Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable but should be well drained. Pyramidal with broad, fully branched, upright habit.

Excellent bright blue foliage that holds its color well throughout the year. See Juniperus General

Comments.

Laburnum x watereri 'Vossi' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 15' S/PSH Goldenchain Tree Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, fertile, well drained soil. Grown for spectacular flower display in mid-May. Yellow,

pea-like flower clusters up to 20 inches long hang down like golden chains. Bright green compound leaves with dull yellow fall color. Protect from hot afternoon sun. Remove seed pods if possible as they are poisonous. Tends to send up suckers at base. Use as a landscape accent in a protected place as cold

injury can be a problem.

Maackia amurensisDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 20'SAmur MaackiaNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers loose, well drained soil, but adapts to drought, poor soils and tough environments. Upright

vase shape with rounded crown. Upright white flower clusters bloom in mid-summer. Compound

leaves with 7 or more leaflets. Bronze bark. Roots "fix" nitrogen.

Magnolia x galaxyDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 15'SGalaxy MagnoliaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers rich soil. Single trunk, pyramidal tree with strong central leader. Flowers are purplish red, 6"

in diameter and open late enough to avoid spring frost damage. See Magnolia General Comments.

Magnolia x loebneri Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 30' S Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers rich soil. Rounded, low-branched tree, usually wider than tall. Several cultivars are noted for

outstanding flowering size and color including 'Balleriana', 'Leonard Messel', 'Merrill' and 'Spring

Snow'. Flowers purple, opening to deep pink. See Magnolia General Comments.

Magnolia x soulangianaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree20' x 25'S/PSHSaucer MagnoliaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers rich, moist soil. Multi- or single stemmed, spreading tree. The many cultivars generally have

large (5–10" diameter) flowers ranging from pale pink to deep rose color. Because flowers come out early and before leaves, they are often damaged by frost and outer petals remain brown while the

bloom lasts. See Magnolia General Comments.

Malus spp.DeciduousShrub/S. TreeVariableSFlowering CrabappleNon-nativeZone: Varies

Comments:

Generally tolerant of most garden soils, but seems to do best in a heavy loam that is wel drained. There are many cultivars that vary in size, leaf and flower color, and disease susceptibility. Insect pests include apple maggot, leaf skeletonizer, and aphids. Diseases include fireblight and apple scab. The fruit size varies from 1/4 to 1/2 inch. Trees are spectacular when in bloom, but must be considered moderate to high maintenance. Prune early in the season, or flowering for the following season may be affected. Some good cultivars follow: 'Adams', 20' x 20', dense rounded form, pink single blooms, red fuit, good disease resistance; 'Centurion', 20' x 15', narrow upright form, purple leaves, red single blooms, red fruit, excellent disease resistance; 'Indian Magic', 15' x 15', upright spreading form, large pink blooms, good disease resistance; 'Prairie Fire', 20' x 20', spreading form, white flowers, red fruit, excellent disease resistance; 'Red Barron', 18' x 8', columnar form, purple leaves aging to dark green, red flowers and fruit, good disease resistance; 'Robinson', 25' x 25', spreading form, bronze green leaves, dark pink flowers, dark red fruit, good disease resistance; 'Sargent', 8' x 12', low, spreading dwarf, white flowers, small red fruit, excellent disease resistance.

Parrotia persicaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree30' x 20'S/PSHPersian ParrotiaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Prefers well drained loamy slightly acidic soil. Low branching single or multi-stemmed tree. Leaves are large, medium to dark green with good fall colors. Fall color more brilliant when planted in full sun. Bark exfoliates in maturity, lending considerable winter interest. Virtually pest free. Michael Dirr cites this as one of his favorite specimen trees for the landscape.

Pinus aristataEvergreenShrub/S. Tree20' x 10'SBristlecone PineNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Adaptable to most soils and will tolerate poor, dry, rocky conditions. One of the oldest known plant species. Extremely slow growing, so be careful to allow for its eventual 20-foot size. Interesting form. Short needles have white resin spots that are sometimes confused with scale insects. Provides an accent in the shrub border in the rock garden. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus strobus 'Pendula'EvergreenShrub/S. TreeVariesSWeeping White PineNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Soil adaptable, but prefers fertile, moist, well-drained soil. Long, spreading branches can be trained with upright leader or left to essentially form a horizontal, wide-spreading specimen. Blue-green needles in bundles of 5. Pendulous branches sweep to the ground. Excellent specimen. See Pinus General Comments.

Prunus cerasiferaDeciduousShrub/S. TreeVariesSPurple Leaf or Flowering PlumNon-nativeZone: 4–5

Comments:

Adapts to most soils, but should be well drained. Trees generally have upright form and many have brittle wood, subject to storm damage. Prunus species are subject to many insect and disease problems if not kept in optimum growing conditions. Some commonly available cultivars in the trade: 'Krauter Vesuvius'—grows 20' x 15'. Zone 5. An upright, rounded habit with dark reddish purple foliage. Flowers are light pink and appear in March. Produce sparse black fruit. One of the smaller plums. May be used as a street tree or as an accent in the border or near the entry or patio. 'Newport'—grows

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15' x 12'. Rounded form, hardier than others, to Zone 4. Pale pink to white flowers and dark purple, 1" fruit. 'Thundercloud'—grows 25' x 15'. Zone 5. Deep purple-red foliage with pink flowers that precede the leaves. Rounded-shape tree, used well as a color accent in the border or around the patio. Fruiting is sparse. Subject to numerous insects and diseases; however vigorous growth will help ward off some of them. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus padas 'Summer Glow' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 20' European Bird Cherry Non-native Zone: 3

Comments:

Soil adaptable. 'Summer Glow' is smaller than species. Leaves emerge a bright green color and change to reddish purple for the summer. White drooping clusters of flowers in the spring are followed by red fruits that are quite attractive to birds. Rounded form is suitable for urban or naturalized sites. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus sargentiiDeciduousShrub/S. Tree30' x 30'SSargent CherryNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Soil adaptable, but should be well drained. Single pale pink flowers in May. Shiny, dark green foliage with good fall color. Attractive reddish brown bark. Excellent choice for street-tree planting where space allows. Also used as specimen or accent. See Prunus General Comments. Cultivar: 'Columnaris'—a narrow (25' x 12') form similar to above. Good used near buildings or walkways.

Prunus serrulataDeciduousShrub/S. TreeVariesSJapanese Flowering CherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Likes well drained soil. The species is quite large, but the many cultivars are generally 20 to 30' and vase shaped. Popular for their spring flowers and fall colors, but like most Prunus species, they are susceptable to insect and disease problems when grown in less than ideal sites. Cultivars in the trade: 'Amanogawa'—20' x 8'; narrow, columnar habit. Fragrant flowers are deep pink and semi-double, appearing in late April or early May. Attractive bark and showy green foliage. Yellow-red fall color. Occasional small black fruits. May be used as a street tree or as an accent in the landscape. See Prunus General Comments. 'Kwanzan'—25' x 15'; branches are stiffly upright like an inverted cone. Flowers mid-season are double deep pink in pendant clusters. They are followed by reddish new leaves that later turn green. A good choice for a street tree. Avoid pruning. This is the hardiest flowering cherry in eastern Washington. See Prunus General Comments. 'Royal Burgandy'—20' x 15'; upright form. Similar to 'Kwanzan' but leaves remain a red-purple color through the season. 'Shirotae'—20' x 25'; strongly horizontal form with flat top. Flowers are fragrant, white, semi-double, and bloom in early season. A vigorous grower. Leaves are a pale green and appear fringed. Nice bark characteristic of cherries. Use as a screen or buffer or for accent, but allow room for its spread. Pruning will detract from its spectacular form. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus subhirtella 'Autumnalis Rosea' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 22' S Autumn Flowering Cherry Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Upright spreading tree with medium green leaves changing yellow to bronze in fall. Light pink flowers bloom in spring and again in fall. Good branching pattern adds to winter interest. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus subhirtella 'Pendula'DeciduousShrub/S. Tree10' x 10'SWeeping Higan CherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable, but must be well drained. Small tree with graceful, weeping branches and delicate

double pink blossoms in May. Prune out any branches that exhibit upright rather than weeping form. Use as an accent near patio and entry. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus virginianaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree25' x 25'SChokecherryNativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but must be well drained. Usually upright branching with an oval crown. Lime-green

new foliage changing to maroon. White pendulous flowers, 3–6" long, in May followed by black berries. Attractive to birds. 'Canada Red' cultivar (non-native) has leaves that are green at first and later become dark red or purple. 'Schubert' another nice cultivar. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus x 'Snofozam'DeciduousShrub/S. Tree12' x 12'SSnow Fountains CherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Small, gracefully weeping tree with beautifully cascading form. Small, dark green leaves turn yellow

and orange in fall. White flowers. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus x blireianaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree15' x 15'SBlireiana Flowering PlumNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Adapts to most soils but should be well drained. Rounded, densely branched tree with reddish purple

foliage that fades to green. April flowers are 1-inch, double, light pink, and fragrant. Sparse fruit. May

be used as a street tree or as an accent in the landscape. See Prunus General Comments.

Prunus x yedoensisDeciduousShrub/S. Tree30' x 30'SYoshino CherryNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: This is the flowering cherry planted at the tidal basin in Washington D.C. Its upright spreading

branches create a strong rounded form. Green glossy leaves, yellow fall color and light pink to white flowers. Cultivars 'Afterglow' and 'Akebono' are slightly smaller at 25' x 25'. See Prunus General

Comments.

Pyrus fauriei 'Westwood' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 12' x 15' S Korean Sun Pear Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable. The compact *Pyrus fauriei* is considered by Dirr a compact cultivar of the *Pyrus*

calleryana. 'Westwood' is a dwarf of that with good form, white flowers, and pretty red fall foliage.

Perfect in small spaces.

Pyrus ussuriensis Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 25' S Ussurian Pear Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: This is the hardiest of the ornamental pears, developed at North Dakota State University. Upright

when young, becoming rounded with age. Dark green leaves, red fall foliage, white spring flowers.

Small hard yellowish fruits. 'Mordak' cultivar has yellow fall foliage.

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Rhamnus frangula 'Columnaris' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 10' x 4' S/PSH Glossy (Tallhedge) Buckthorn Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Adapts to most soils but should be well drained. A narrow and upright plant with dark, glossy green

leaves. Unremarkable fall color. Red to purple-black berries in summer. Usually used as a hedge and

can be pruned as low as 4'. Fast growing.

Rhamnus purshianaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree30' x 18'S/PSHCascara BuckthornNativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil and site adaptable. Erect large shrub. Small tree with rounded form. Dark green leaves embossed

with deep veins. Yellowish white flowers. Common on wooded slopes in WA, ID, and MT. More useful in rural areas, suburban parks or in restoration due to susceptibility to aphid attack and urban

pollution.

Rhus typhina Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 10' S/PSH Staghorn Sumac Sone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, but a dry, infertile soil is best. Open, spreading shrub with flat crown and picturesque

branching. Ornamental cone-shaped, russet colored fruit appear in August. Fuzzy fruit and stems. Sensational scarlet-orange fall color. Tends to sucker, so not a good lawn tree. Beautiful along wood-

land edges. Use in clumps. Tolerates neglect.

Salix matsudana 'Tortuosa' Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 30' x 15' S Corkscrew Willow Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers a moist soil, but can get along on less water than most other willows. Narrow, pointed, bright

green leaves are borne on twisted and contorted branches. An oddity in the landscape and usually used

as an accent.

Salix scouleriana Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 10'+ S/PSH

Scouler Willow Native Zone: 3

Comments: Adaptable, but prefers moisture. This is the only upland native willow, requiring less water than any

other willow species. Rapid growing rounded shrub or small tree that can reach 30'. Oval dark green leaves turn yellow in fall. "Pussy willow" type catkins in spring. Useful for naturalizing areas and

establishing cover over disturbed areas.

Sorbus scopulina Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 15' x 10' S/PSH

Western Mountain Ash Native Zone: 3

Comments: Shrubby small tree, adapted to most soil types. Tolerates part shade. Compound dark green leaves turn

brilliant orange and red in fall. White flowers in rounded clusters in spring are followed by shiny red

berries in summer that may persist into fall. Excellent naturalizing plant for wildlife habitat.

Stewartia pseudocamellia Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 15' S/PSH

Japanese Stewartia Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Needs regular watering and prefers acid soil. White camelia-like flowers, 2 inches in diameter, bloom mid-summer. Medium green leaves turn orange-red to purplish in fall. Trunk exfoliates with age. All-

around spectacular landscape specimen tree. Best in places protected from cold winds or frost pockets.

Styrax japonica Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 25' x 25' S/PSH
Japanese Snowbell Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Needs well drained soil and ample water. Branches strongly horizontal. Rounded, small tree with

medium green foliage changing to yellow fall color. Covered in June with white, hanging bell-shaped,

fragrant flowers. Striking ornamental specimen.

Syringa reticulata Deciduous Shrub/S. Tree 20' x 30' S
Japanese Tree Lilac Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Grows well in alkaline soil. This large shrub is easily trained to single stem tree. Striking glossy smooth

bark. Large leaves with yellow fall color. Large white flower clusters are showy but not fragrant.

Tamarix ramosissimaDeciduousShrub/S. Tree15' x 10'STamariskNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Prefers an acid, well drained soil. Can grow in sand. Hardy and drought tolerant. A loose, open,

delicately branched shrub with pink flowers in June and July that resemble feathery shoots. Use in the background, as branch structure is unattractive when leaves fall. Spreads aggressively in desert

areas but not a problem in the Inland Northwest. 'Summer Glow' is a good variety.

Taxus baccataEvergreenShrub/S. Tree15' x 15'S/PSHEnglish YewNon-nativeZone: 6

Comments: Needs a moist, well drained soil. More shade and moisture tolerant than other conifers. May not

be hardy in all eastern Washington locations. Dark green, 1" soft needles. Red berries give winter interest. The dwarf form, *T. baccata* 'Repandens' is the hardiest. Used extensively for topiary. A slow-growing plant that when left to grow naturally becomes very large. See Taxus General Comments.

Taxus brevifoliaEvergreenShrub/S. Tree20' x 15'PSH/SHPacific YewNativeZone: 6

Comments: Requires moist to wet, well drained sites, especially under canopy of other trees. Dark green 1"

needles and red berries. Good hedge or border plant given the right soil conditions. See Taxus

General Comments.

Taxus cuspidata Evergreen Shrub/S. Tree 30' x 30' S/PSH/SH

Japanese Yew Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. Rich, dark green foliage. Large, adaptable shrub. Good filler, but

smaller cultivars are best consideration in a small landscape. 'Capitata' upright yew tree form reaches

25-40' slowly. See Taxus General Comments.

Ulmus glabraDeciduousShrub/S. Tree10' x 15'Camperdown ElmNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Gracefully weeping small specimen tree with twisting branches that attract attention year round.

Resistant to Dutch Elm Disease and Phloem Necrosis. Yellow fall color.

TREES—30 FEET AND TALLER

Abies concolor Tree 50' x 20' S/PSH Evergreen Concolor or White Fir Non-native Zone: 2

Prefers a moist, well drained sandy loam, but will tolerate dry conditions. A large, symmetrical tree, Comments:

branched to the base. Slower growing in the garden than in nature. Curved bluish green needles are

2" long. Tolerates city conditions well.

S/PS Abies grandis Evergreen Tree 75'

Native Zone: 4 **Grand Fir**

Comments: Must have a moist, cool, well drained soil. This fir has an extremely narrow, straight crown. The

needles are dark shiny green above and have white lines underneath. In natural conditions, this

tree can grow to well over 200 feet. Moderate growth rate.

40' x 25' S Abies lasiocarpa Evergreen Tree Zone: 2 Subalpine Fir Native

Adaptable to many sites, but found in nature on subalpine slopes at 5,000-8,000 feet elevation where Comments:

it is dwarfed by harsh conditions. A slender, spire shaped evergreen tree. At lower elevations, trees grow

fuller and taller. Upturned bluish-grey needles. Useful as a specimen or in a grouping.

Deciduous 50' x 20' S Acer nigrum 'Greencolumn' Tree

Greencolumn Maple Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Like most maples, tolerates most soil conditions. Upright oval tree with good resistance to heat.

Similar to sugar maple (A. saccharum), but better adapted to hot, dry conditions. Light green leaves

in summer change to yellow orange in fall. See Acer General Comments.

Deciduous 60' x 40' S Acer platanoides Tree Norway Maple Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Adapts to most soil conditions. A broad-crowned, densely-foliaged tree with deep green leaves that

turn yellow in the fall. Showy clusters of small greenish yellow flowers in early spring followed by profuse numbers of winged fruit, called samaras. The most common pests on Norway maple are aphids and cottony maple scale. Water deeply to discourage shallow rooting. Prune in late summer. Although this is a reliable landscape tree, it is common to the point of overuse in the Spokane area. The following cultivars are recommended: 'Cleveland'—40' x 30', upright dense oval tree, good selection for city use; 'Deborah'—45' x 40', broadly oval to rounded tree. New leaves are reddish purple, becoming bronze green in summer. Bronze fall color; 'Fairview'—45' x 35', upright oval growth. New growth is reddish purple, changing to bronze green; 'Globe Norway'—15' x 18', see page 65. 'Royal Red'—40' x 30', oval when young, becoming round with age. Better hardiness than Crimson King. Deep purple leaves; 'Superform'—45' x 40', broadly oval to round. Green leaves with yellow fall color. Uniform branch angles and very symmetrical shape. See Acer General Comments.

Acer pseudoplatanusDeciduousTree40' x 30'S/PSHSycamore MapleNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Adapts to many soil conditions including those high in saline (salt), but should be well-drained. Form is oval to rounded, and growth rate is moderately fast. Dark green leathery leaves have prominent veins. No particular fall color, but has attractive exfoliating bark. Recommended cultivar: 'Autropurpureum' is somewhat smaller and less hardy then species and has green leaves with velvety purple underside. Hardy to Zone 5. See Acer General Comments.

Acer rubrumDeciduousTree40' x 15'SRed MapleNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Prefers slightly acid soils and must have extra moisture during summer drought. The leaves are shiny green, turning brilliant scarlet in the fall. Red twigs, buds and flowers give showy color in spring. Upright branching with narrow crown. Has attractive silver-gray bark. The following cultivars are recommended: 'Armstrong'—45' x 15', fast growing and columnar. Excellent street tree; 'Bowhall'—40' x 15', upright, narrow form, well suited for street plantings. Medium green leaves turn yellow orange to red in fall. 'Northwood'—50' x 35', a hardy variety. Dense, rounded crown; 'October Glory'—40' x 35', broadly oval to round tree. Glossy green leaves in summer change to deep red or reddish purple. Among the last cultivars to color in fall. Adapted best to areas with milder winters and hot summer temperatures; 'Red Sunset'—45' x 35', excellent tree with oval shape. Among the best for fall color; 'Scarlet Sentinel'—45' x 20', fast growing and rather narrow. Good fall color. Good street tree where space allows. See Acer General Comments.

Acer saccharumDeciduousTree60' x 40'S/PSHSugar MapleNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Prefers a moist, well drained soil of good fertility. Will not tolerate compacted soils, salts, or air pollution. Seems to prefer slightly acid soil for best growth. A large specimen which needs wide open spaces. There is much variation in fall color, which can be spectacular. The following cultivars are recommended: 'Commemoration'—50' x 35', oval to rounded tree. Fast growing, developing many branches and good caliper. Thick glossy green leaves change to orange and red in fall. 'Green Mountain'—45' x 35', most hardy, drought-tolerant variety. Usually reliable for fall color. Broadly oval crown; 'Legacy'—50' x 35', an upright, oval variety with tatter-resistant glossy green foliage. Acer General Comments.

Aesculus hippocastanum Deciduous Tree 50' x 40' S/PSH Common Horsechestnut Non-native Zone: 2

Comments:

Prefers a moist, well-drained soil. Avoid dry areas. A tall, rounded tree with large palmate leaflets, each being 4–10" long. Very showy pyramidal clusters of white flowers appear in May. The large brown nuts that follow are not edible, and the seed is toxic. Hot summer sun and wind can cause leaf burn. The roots are invasive. A pretty tree, but should be sited with care. Yellow fall color.

Aesculus octandra (flava)DeciduousTree50' x 40'S/PSHYellow BuckeyeNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Similar to Common Horsechestnut (above) except for the flower panicles which are yellow to pale green in color.

Deciduous Tree 40' x 25' S/PSH Aesculus x carnea Red Horsechestnut Non-native Zone:

Prefers a moist, well-drained soil. Avoid dry areas. Pyramidal when young, erect with rounded crown Comments:

when mature. A spectacular flowering tree bearing 8-10" clusters of reddish pink flowers. Provides dense shade. Subject to leaf burn when subjected to hot dry winds. Produces nuts that are toxic. 'O'Neill Red'—35' x 20'—smaller than common horsechestnut. Bright red flowers in April/May.

Alnus glutinosa Deciduous Tree 50' x 30' S/PSH **Black Alder** Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moisture but tolerates wet ground, tough sites and infertile soil. Fast growing tree, broadly

pyramidal. Often multi-stemmed and very dense. Good for screening. Roots "fix" nitrogen.

Alnus rubra Deciduous Tree 60' x 30' S/PSH Red alder Zone: 4 Native

Likes moist to wet sites. Dark green leaves with yellow fall color. White bark becomes mottled with **Comments:**

age. Alders are valuable in restoring disturbed areas due to an ability to fix nitrogen.

S Deciduous Tree 40' x 25' Betula jacquemontii Zone: 5 Jacquemonti Birch Non-native

Prefers rich, moist, well drained soil. Oval shape, with upright branching. Nice green foliage with Comments:

yellow fall color. The bark is the whitest of the birch species, but will not attain the whiteness until

it is past early youth. Susceptible to bronze birch borer. See Betula General Comments.

Betula maximowicziana Deciduous Tree 50' x 25' S Zone: 4 Monarch Birch Non-native

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained soil. Rounded in habit with very large, dark green leaves. Yellow fall color.

Fast-growing variety. The young branches are reddish brown, eventually becoming gray or whitish, and the bark splits into long, broad, thin sheets, which cling to the tree in shaggy masses. May be hard to locate, but worth the effort. Susceptible to bronze birch borer. See Betula General Comments.

Deciduous 50' x 40' S Betula nigra Tree River Birch Zone: 4 Non-native

Comments: Needs ample moisture and prefers an acid soil pH. The shape is pyramidal to oval when young,

changing to a rounded outline in maturity. Fast grower and is usually multi-stemmed, but can be trained to a single trunk. Leaves are medium to dark green with yellow color in fall. Young bark is pinkish, and on older trees it flakes in brown to blackish sheets. Resists the bronze birch borer. Good in poorly drained soils. Cultivar: 'Heritage'—lighter-colored bark; large glossy green leaves. A good

selection showing resistance to the bronze birch borer. See Betula General Comments.

70'+ S Betula papyrifera Deciduous Tree Canoe or Paper Birch Native Zone: 2

Comments: Grows best in well-drained, moist sandy loam. Similar to European white birch but more open and

less weeping. Trunk is creamy white. The bark peels in papery layers to expose reddish orange inner bark. Leaves are dull dark green turning to yellow in the fall. Somewhat resistant to the bronze birch

borer except in droughty conditions. See Betula General Comments.

Betula pendulaDeciduousTree60' x 40'SEuropean White BirchNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments:

Prefers a moist, well-drained soil, but will tolerate wet soils. Oval, upright branching with weeping side branches. Small dark green leaves change to yellow in fall. Bark is brown in youth, but changes to white with black clefts. Prune in summer or fall rather than spring to prevent "bleeding." Quite susceptible to bronze birch borer. Cultivar: 'Lanciniata'—cut leaf weeping, deeply lobed leaves, silverwhite bark and drooping branches. Very hardy. 'Purpurea'—purple leaf birch, purple black twigs, green purple leaves. See Betula General Comments.

Betula platyphylla var. japonica Deciduous Tree 40' x 30' S Whitespire Birch Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist, rich soil. An excellent white-barked birch with narrow open habit. Somewhat resistant to bronze birch borer. See Betula General Comments.

Carpinus betulus Deciduous Tree 40' x 30' S/PSH European Hornbeam Non-native Zone: 5

Comments:

Tolerates most soil conditions, but should be well drained. A fine small landscape tree with dark green foliage in summer and yellow fall color. Slow growing; can be used as a specimen or screen or sheared as a hedge. 'Fastigiata' or Columnar European Hornbeam is a densely branched, narrow cultivar maturing to 30' x 10'. Frequently used in street plantings. Tolerates pollution. Excellent for screens, hedges, in groupings, or as a street tree. Interesting serrated leaves are dark green in summer turning to yellow or yellowish green in fall.

Catalpa speciosaDeciduousTree60'+ x 40'S/PSHNorthern CatalpaNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Tolerant to most soil conditions, but prefers a deep moist, fertile soil. The form is generally rounded. The leaves are heart shaped and quite large (6–10"). Large upright clusters of trumpet-shaped white flowers, followed by 8–12"-long bean-shaped seed pods. Large leaves and pods need to be cleaned up in fall.

Celtis occidentallisDeciduousTree50' x 50'SHackberryNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Very soil and s

Very soil and site adaptable. Vase-shaped habit, similar in form to American Elm but not susceptible to Dutch Elm Disease. Tolerates tough situations such as wind and pollution. Large green leaves (2–5") with yellow green fall color. Excellent choice for tough sites.

Cercidiphyllum japonicum

Deciduous

Tree

40' x 40'

Non-native

Zone: 4

Comments:

Likes moist and well drained soil. Upright and pyramidal when young and may become round with age. Delicate heart-shaped blue green leaves are eye-catching. Yellow fall color. Brown "shaggy" bark on older trees. Very attractive overall tree.

Cladrastis luteaDeciduousTree35' x 35'SYellowwoodNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers a well drained soil and is pH adaptable. Slow to medium grower with a broad, rounded

head. Bright green compound leaflets. White, fragrant flowers, similar to Wisteria, followed by long, flat seed pods in May or June. Heavy bloomer in alternate years. May take up to 10 years to produce blooms, and flowering may be somewhat irregular thereafter, but an attractive tree whether

it blooms or not.

Fagus sylvatica Deciduous Tree 60' x 40' S/PSH European Beech Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained soil. Will not tolerate wet, compacted soil. One of most majestic land-

scape trees. Must be planted where there is ample room. Broadly pyramidal to oval. Shallow rooted and difficult to maintain lawn beneath. Leaves are a lustrous dark green in summer, red-brown in fall, and slow to emerge in spring. Smooth, gray bark. Generally does not require pruning. Aphids sometimes a problem. Recommended cultivars: 'Asplenifolia'— finely lobed leaves give delicate appearance to foliage; 'Dawyck'—upright, columnar type spreading only 10' in diameter; 'Dawyck Purple'—columnar type with dark purple foliage; 'Fastigiata'—columnar type; 'Riversii'—purple leaf form. 'Roseo-marginata'—known as tricolor beech, with purple leaves edged with rose and white border.

Fraxinus americanaDeciduousTree50' x 40'SWhite AshNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers deep, moist, well drained soil. Green leaflets changing to purple shades. Somewhat insect

and disease prone. 'Autumn Applause'—40' x 25', small, dense, compact tree. Red purple fall color, Zone 4; 'Autumn Purple'—45' x 40', rounded tree. Fall color yellow/orange-red-dark purple. Zone 4;

'Rosehill'—50' x 35', fast growing upright oval tree, Zone 4.

Fraxinus nigra Deciduous Tree 40' x 20' Black Ash Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Northern U.S. native is very hardy and tolerates wet soils. Pinnately compound, dark green leaves

with yellow fall color. Slower growing than green ash and more narrow.

Fraxinus pennsylvanica Deciduous Tree 60' x 40' S Green Ash Non-native Zone: 3

Comments: Adapts to most soils. Tolerant of alkaline soil conditions. A moderate- to fast-growing tree with a

compact, oval form. Glossy dark green summer foliage followed by yellow fall color. Bark is rough and dark. Somewhat insect and disease prone. Recommended cultivars: 'Bergeson'—40' x 30', upright growth. Fast grower. Zone 2; 'Cimmzam'—40' x 30', seedless. Narrow when young. Upright branches. Zone 3; 'Marshall Seedless'—60' x 40', More insect resistant than species and more irregular and informal shape than Summit or Patmore; 'Patmore'—45' x 35', one of the best cultivars. Hardy, seedless. Zone 2; 'Summit'—45' x 25', pright, narrow oval shape. Zone 3; 'Urbanite'—50' x 40',

broadly pyramidal. Tolerant of city conditions. Zone 5.

Fraxinus quadrangulata

Deciduous

Tree

50' x 30'

S

Blue Ash

Non-native

Zone: 4

Comments: Grows in dry alkaline soils. Slendar straight tree with dark green pinnately compound leaves; yellow

fall color. Very symmetrical. Vigorous grower.

Ginkgo biloba Deciduous Tree 50' x 30' S
Ginkgo Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers a sandy, deep, moist soil. A lovely, slow-growing tree. Its habit is extremely variable. Some

specimens exhibit a wide growth almost equal to height, while others are much mor narrow. The leaves are a unique fan shape, like no other tree. They are bright green and turn to a bright yellow in fall when the leaves will drop all at once. There are male and female trees. Fruit on the females is smelly. Good varieties: 'Autumn Gold'—50' x 40', upright and broad-spreading form. Slow growing; 'Princeton Sentry'—50' x 30', a narrow male clone.

Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis Deciduous Tree 30' x 18' S/PSH
Thornless Honeylocust Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a rich, moist, alkaline soil, but will tolerate drought, pollution, and salt. Leaves appear in

late spring and drop in early fall, making it a good choice for gardening beneath. Light green leaves have yellow fall color. They are tiny and usually blow away after leaf fall. Provides nice filtered shade. Insignificant fragrant spring flowers in May and June will attract bees. Most cultivars do not produce seed pods and thorns; however, unusual weather conditions can trigger this rarely seen response. A fast growing species. Tends to be overused in urban communities. Recommended cultivars: 'Halka'—40' x 35', vigorous new selection with attractive foliage. Upright becoming rounded with age. Good horizontal branching; 'Imperial'—35' x 30', round form with symmetrical branching. Compact form and dense foliage provide more shade than other cultivars; 'Shademaster'—45' x 35', podless, fast grower with upright spreading branches. Dark green foliage. Leaves stay on later in the fall than other cultivars; 'Skyline'—45' x 35', pyramidal form with upright branches. Compact, leathery, dark green foliage. Good selection.

Gymnocladus dioicus Deciduous Tree 60' x 40' S Kentucky Coffee Tree Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Good tree for large areas. Adaptable to a wide range of soils and conditions. Drought tolerant once

established. New leaves pinkish but changing to dark green; yellow fall color. Late to leaf out in spring. Has a bold winter habit and attractive bark. Can create a litter problem with seed pods and leaves.

Will need occasional water during dry months.

Halesia monticolaDeciduousTree40' x 25'PSHSilverbell, Mountain SilverbellNon-nativeZone: 5-6

Comments: Likes consistent moisture, rich soil. Upward growing branches form rounded crown. Medium green

foliage with yellow fall color. White bell shaped flowers on hanging stalks appear in May. Flowers are

best seen when able to view from below.

Koelreuteria paniculataDeciduousTree35' x 30'SGoldenrain TreeNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Adaptable to variety of soils. Known for its late yellow flowers hanging in 12–15" panicles in July.

Very showy. Light green compound leaves with yellow fall color. Choice specimen tree where space

is limited. Drought tolerant once established. Withstands heat, wind, poor soils.

Larix deciduaDeciduousTree70' x 25'SEuropean Larch (Tamarack)Non-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Likes a moist, well drained soil. Avoid dry, shallow soil and shady conditions. This tree is a deciduous

conifer with a slender, pyramidal habit with drooping branches. Bright green needles are in fluffy tufts.

Provides a spectacular yellow fall color. A specimen tree that does not tolerate air pollution.

Larix occidentalisDeciduousTree100+' x 35'S/PSHWestern Larch or TamarackNativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers moist soils, but adaptable. Deciduous conifer with clumps of needles borne on short spurs

along branches. Medium green needles turn bright yellow in fall before dropping. New needles in spring a soft green. Fast growing (with moisture) and striking as specimen or in a group with evergreens.

Liquidambar styraciflua Deciduous Tree 40' x 20' S American Sweetgum Non-native Zone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, slightly acid soil for best growth. Somewhat cone-shaped in youth, spreading in age.

Unique star shaped leaves are green in summer, turning purple/yellow/red in the fall. Holds leaves late into season. Interesting ridged bark with age. An excellent lawn or street tree, but needs a large area for

root development. May sustain some injury when temperature goes below -20°F.

Liriodendron tulipifera Deciduous Tree 60' x 40' S
Tulip Tree or Yellow Poplar Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers a deep, rich, well-drained, slightly acid soil. Fast growing when provided with ample moisture.

Beautiful green and orange 2–3" tuliplike flowers appear in May or early June and often are borne high on the tree. Flowers are rarely seen on young trees. Large specimen not suitable for street tree

plantings. Can be spectacular in the fall with yellow foliage.

Metasequoia glyptostroboidesDeciduousTree70' x 25'SDawn RedwoodNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Best in moist, well drained slightly acid soils. Deciduous conifer with light green needles which turn

orange in fall before dropping. Narrow conical habit. Avoid low planting sites which are prone to early

winter freezes. Susceptible to winter damage in windy, dry sites.

Nyssa sylvatica Deciduous Tree 40' x 25' S/PSH

Blackgum, Black Tupelo Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable and tolerant of drought, poor drainage and city conditions. Pyramidal when young,

spreading with age. Glossy green foliage turns to brilliant yellow, orange, red or maroon colors. Cracked gray bark gives winter interest. Good adaptable tree that should be used more often.

Ostrya virginianaDeciduousTree40' x 25'S/PSHAmerican HophornbeamNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, tolerates dry, rocky and alkaline soil. Upright oval tree does well in urban settings.

Hard wood prevents snow and ice damage. Dark green "fuzzy" foliage with yellow fall color. Small

nut inside bracts that resembles fruit of hop plant.

Phellodendron amurenseDeciduousTree40' x 30'SCork Tree, American Cork TreeNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Very soil and site adaptable. Broad vase-shaped tree. Fast growing, hardy. Heat and drought tolerant.

Medium green foliage with yellow fall color. Deeply fissured cork-like bark gives winter interest.

Cultivars 'His Majesty' and 'Macho' have best branching habits.

Picea abiesEvergreenTree60' x 20'SNorway SpruceNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers moist, well-drained soil. A short-needled, deep green pyramid in youth;

in age it tends to grow out horizontally with branches drooping strongly. Extremely hardy and wind-resistant, so is often used in windbreaks. Long, tight, 6" cones. A fast-growing tree, provided it

receives ample water.

Picea engelmanniiEvergreenTree80' x 25'SEnglemann SpruceNativeZone: 2

Comments: Prefers a deep moist loamy soil. Densely pyramidal tree resembling blue-green forms of the Colorado

spruce, but needles are softer and tree is not so spreading at base. The lower branches remain dense.

One of the better spruces for ornamental planting where space allows.

Picea pungensEvergreenTree60' x 20'SColorado SpruceNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a rich, moist soil but will tolerate drought better than other spruces. Avoid dry ridges and

slopes. Densely pyramidal in shape with stiff, green needles spreading around the branches. Vigorous and fast growing when young, but has a tendency to lose its lower branches as it ages. In the Inland Northwest, it is subject to the Cooley spruce gall adelgid. May be used as an accent or as a windbreak.

Has a tendency to dominate the landscape.

Picea pungens 'Glauca'EvergreenTree60' x 20'SColorado Blue SpruceNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers fully exposed, well drained location. Similar to Picea pungens above, but with a decidedly blue

coloring. This strong coloring requires careful placement in the landscape. Other blue foliage cultivars: 'Hoopsii'—a dense, vigorous grower, one of the best blue varieties; 'Koster'—somewhat irregular

growth habit; 'Moerheimii'—bright blue, narrow, conical form eventually reaching 30'.

Pinus cembraEvergreenTree30' x 15'SSwiss Stone PineNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Requires well drained, loamy soil. Narrow and densely columnar when young. Dense blue-green

needles in bundles of five. Unusual deep-blue cones. Slow growing and upright. Handsome specimen

tree. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus contorta var. latifoliaEvergreenTree100' x 25'SLodgepole PineNativeZone: 5

Comments: Site and soil adaptable. Tall narrow pine with 1–3" needles in bundles of two. Needles stiff, often

twisted. Grows rapidly, useful for screening and restoration. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus densiflora Evergreen Tree 45' x 40' S
Japanese Red Pine Non-native Zone: 4

Comments: Prefers well-drained, slightly acid soil. Needles in bundles of two. Strong horizontal branching with a

broad, flat-topped crown. Trunks are often leaning. Interesting form makes this a good specimen tree.

See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus flexilisEvergreenTree30' x 15'S/PSHLimber PineNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Adaptable to hot, dry sites. Can be planted on rocky slopes. Dense, broadly pyramidal in youth

becoming a low, broad, flat-topped tree at maturity. Slow growing. Dark green needles in bundles of five are slightly curved or twisted. "Limber" branches may droop at decided angle to trunk. See

Pinus General Comments.

Pinus monticolaEvergreenTree80' x 35'SWestern White PineNativeZone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable. Needles are soft, blue-green, 2"-long in bundles of 5. Cones 5–10" long. Trunk very

straight with branches in whorls. Idaho state tree. Beautiful specimen tree. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus nigraEvergreenTree35' x15'SAustrian PineNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Widely adaptable to soils, but does best when moist. Withstands city conditions better than most

pines. Needles are in pairs and are 4–6" long and quite stiff. Densely pyramidal when young becoming a large, broad, flat-topped tree with a rough, short trunk and low, stout, spreading branches. Makes a

good specimen, screen or windbreak. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus parvifloraEvergreenTree35' x 20'SJapanese White PineNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Soil adaptable, but good drainage is important. Stiff needles are in bundles of five. Dense pyramid

when young, developing a wide-spreading habit with a rather flat top when mature. A good conifer

for the garden with graceful character. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus ponderosaEvergreenTree140' x 40'SPonderosa PineNativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers dry sites. Large open growing conifer, requires ample room. Needles are dark green, 4–6"

long, in bundles of 2 or 3. Cones are 3–5" long. Exfoliating bark, needles and cones of mature trees considered messy in managed landscapes, but this is our signature native tree in the Inland Northwest

and deserves to be here! See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus resinosaEvergreenTree50' x 15'SRed PineNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers slightly acid, sandy soil. Tufted needles in bundles of two. Oval shape with

heavily-branched crown. Bark is orange-red and heavily plated. Good as windbreaks. Very hardy.

Offers a bold, picturesque look. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus strobusEvergreenTree80' x 30'SEastern White PineNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Prefers a fertile, moist, well drained soil, but adapts to dry or wet conditions. Susceptible to breakage

in high winds and intolerant of air pollution and salts. May develop chlorosis in alkaline soils. A symmetrical cone shape with horizontal branches. Long needles are a soft blue green and in bundles

of five. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus sylvestrisEvergreenTree40' x 30'SScotch PineNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Prefers a well drained soil, but is otherwise adaptable. Pyramidal in youth, becoming irregular and

drooping with age. Stiff blue-green needles are in bundles of two, 1 1/2-3" long. Good landscape

choice for mass plantings or single specimen. See Pinus General Comments.

Pinus thunbergianaEvergreenTree40' x 20'SJapanese Black PineNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained, fertile soil. Grows in sandy soils. Quite variable in height and width,

spreading in maturity. Has an interesting, irregular form and makes a nice accent in the landscape.

Long needles are in bundles of two and are bright green. See Pinus General Comments.

Platanus x acerifoliaDeciduousTree75' x 50'SLondon Planetree (Sycamore)Non-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a deep, rich, moist, well-drained soil, but adapts to most soil conditions. Withstands high pH

and air pollution. A very large tree with maplelike leaves and interesting exfoliating bark. Pyramidal in youth developing a large, wide-spreading outline with massive branches. Often inappropriately used as a street tree; needs lots of room. Susceptible to anthracnose fungal disease. Look for cultivar 'Bloodgood',

which shows resistance to this disease.

Populus tremulaDeciduousTree40' x 10'S/PSHSwedish Columnar AspenNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Adapts to most soil types, but needs ample moisture. Upright narrow tree well adapted to cold

climates. Leaves have scalloped edges, yellow fall color and rustle in breezes like our native Quaking Aspen. Smooth gray-white bark. Good substitute for short-lived, brittle Lombardy poplars.

Populus tremuloidesDeciduousTree40' x 20'S/PSHQuaking AspenNativeZone: 3

Comments:

Adapts to most soils, but needs lots of moisture. A fast-growing, but relatively short-lived tree. Light green leaves quake (flutter) with air movement. Yellow fall color. Smooth, pale, gray-green bark. Attractive tree and used extensively in massed plantings and as a deciduous screen. The trunk and limbs are subject to borers, and there is a fungal disease that causes a blackening of the leaves and dieback of twigs. Roots can be invasive.

Populus trichocarpaDeciduousTree100' x 60'SBlack CottonwoodNativeZone: 4

Comments:

Likes deep, moist soil, especially along rivers and streams. Requires ample space. Dark green leaves are silver-white beneath. Quick growth results in weak wood which breaks in storms. Suckers profusely. This large native tree should ONLY be used in large naturalized sites where it provides habitat for eagles, osprey and herons. NOT A LANDSCAPE TREE.

Prunus maackiiDeciduousTree30' x 25'SAmur chokecherryNon-nativeZone: 2

Comments: Needs well drained soil. Densely branched tree with rounded form. Hanging white flower clusters,

2-3" long, are followed by small dark berries which attract birds. Bark is shiny, reddish and very

attractive in winter. See Prunus General Comments.

Psuedotsuga menziesii Evergreen Tree 100' x 20' S/PSH Douglas-fir Native Zone: 4

Comments:

Prefers a neutral to slightly acid, well drained soil. It has a pyramidal form. Soft medium green needles. The bark is smooth when young, but the older trunks are divided by thick reddish brown ridges. An excellent specimen for groups or massed plantings. Plant where it will be able to grow to full size.

Pyrus calleryanaDeciduousTree40' x 30'SBradford or Flowering PearNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments:

Adapts to most soils and will tolerate drought once established. A low-maintenance tree that tolerates pollution. Flowers profusely in early spring (white.) Non-ornamental fruit may be present in older plantings. Leaves are a glossy dark green and change to a scarlet purple in fall. Overall shape is conical. Exceptional choice for street tree or mass plantings. Relatively free of pests and diseases. Recommended cultivars: 'Aristocrat'—40' x 20', leaves have wavy edges. Zone 4; 'Autumn Blaze'—Zone 4; 'Capital'—35' x 12', narrower than 'Bradford.' Reddish-purple fall color. Zone 5; 'Chanticleer'—40' x 15', narrower than 'Bradford.' Hardens off earlier in the fall. Zone 4; 'Redspire'—35' x 20', pyramidal form with yellow fall color. Zone 5 'Trinity'—30' x 20', rounded form, orange/red fall color. Zone 5.

Quercus acutissimaDeciduousTree40' x 40'SSawtooth OakNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments:

Soil adaptable, but prefers slightly acid soil. Fast growing, rounded, spreading oak. Dark green, glossy, sharply serrated summer foliage with late developing yellow fall color. Inch-long acorns. See Quercus General Comments.

Quercus albaDeciduousTree50' x 50'SWhite OakNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, but prefers moist and acidic soil. Full rounded form. Medium green, fine textured

leaves change to deep-red or purple-red in fall. Inch-long acorns. Majestic tree in maturity. See

Quercus General Comments.

Quercus bicolorDeciduousTree50' x 50'SSwamp White OakNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Adapted to wet, poorly drained soils. Open rounded tree. Lustrous heavy textured green leaves with

wavy margins. Yellow, sometimes red fall color. Inch-long acorns, usually paired. See Quercus General

Comments.

Quercus coccineaDeciduousTree80' x 50'SScarlet OakNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers deep, rich soil. High, open branching habit. Large (6" long) bright green leaves with bright red

fall color. (Less color when fall weather is warm.) Deep roots allow for lawn or perennial plant growth

beneath canopy. Inch-long acorns usually paired. See Quercus General Comments.

Quercus macrocarpaDeciduousTree55' x 45'SBur OakNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Soil adaptable, likes alkaline soils. Open broad form. Thick trunk and short branches. Dark green

8-10" leaves turn yellow or yellow-brown fall color. Inch to inch and a half long acorns. See Quercus

General Comments.

Quercus robarDeciduousTree75' x 60'SEnglish OakNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil and pH adaptable, but prefers well drained sites. Open form. Needs ample room. Deep green

leaves with yellow-brown fall color. See Quercus General Comments.

Quercus rubraDeciduousTree60' x 40'SRed OakNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers a well-drained, sandy loam with an acid pH. Alkaline soils will result in leaf chlorosis. A fast-

growing variety with spreading branches and rounded crown. The leaves are reddish in spring, green in summer, and russet in fall. Deep root system makes it easy to garden under. Prune this tree with

great care as it is highly susceptible to heart rot. See Quercus General Comments.

Quercus shumardiiDeciduousTree50' x 40'SShumard OakNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers moist, acid soils. Will tolerate wet feet. In its native area (midwestern U.S.) it is found along

streams and swamps, but it is known to be drought tolerant in other settings. Wide-spreading, with dark green, lobed, deeply cut leaves; change to reddish brown in fall. Beautiful tree with gray,

furrowed bark. See Quercus General Comments.

Quercus velutinaDeciduousTree50' x 40'SNorthern Black OakNon-nativeZone: 3

Comments: Site and soil adaptable. Tolerant of poor soils. Open rounded form. Dark green 4–10" leaves change

to rusty red fall color. Deeply furrowed bark on mature trees is almost black. Small, 1/2-inch acorns.

See Quercus General Comments.

Robinia idahoensis Deciduous Tree 35' x 30' S Idaho Locust Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Adaptable to all but permanently wet soils. Very drought tolerant once established. Moderately fast

growing tree. Compound green leaves with yellow fall color. Flowers are bright magenta-rose in 8" clusters. Very showy. Good dependable flowering tree for tough conditions. However, wood is brittle

and trees can be short lived compared with other species.

Salix alba var. tristis

Golden Weeping Willow

Deciduous

Tree

40' x 40'

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Non-native

Zone: 3

Comments: Requires damp soil; tolerates wetland conditions. The pale to medium green leaves are borne on

long, pendant yellow stems. Roots may become superficial, causing some mowing problems. Don't plant this tree unless you can provide it with large amounts of water. Plant it away from sewer and

plumbing lines.

Sophora japonicaDeciduousTree50' x 30'SJapanese Pagoda TreeNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Soil adaptable, heat tolerant. Medium sized tree with dark green, 6–10" leaves. Yellowish white flowers

hang in 8–12" clusters in late summer. Flowers followed by 2–3" long pods. Good tree for lawn or

patio areas. 'Regent' cultivar has straight growth habit and oval crown.

Sorbus alnifoliaDeciduousTree40' x 30'SKorean Mountain AshNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Will grow in any well-drained soil; pH adaptable. Pyramidal form when young; rounded in outline

when matures. Unlike other mountain ash that has pinnate compound leaves, the Korean Mountain Ash has simple, lustrous dark green leaves with pretty fall orange and red colors. Bears 6–10 white

flowers in loose clusters. Orange-red fruit in fall.

Sorbus aucuparia Deciduous Tree 40' x 15' S/PSH

European Mountain Ash Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Grows in ordinary garden soil, but should be well drained. Fernlike foliage is followed by clusters of

white flowers and then small red berries, which are very effective in fall and winter, especially covered with snow. The tree is attractive to birds. It can be considered messy when berries fall upon walkways or patios. Several good varieties available. Some have interesting, orange-tinged bark. Cultivars: 'Cardinal Royal'—30' x 15', glossy dark-green leaves, silver beneath; white flowers; bright red fruit. Distinct upright, narrow, oval form; 'Black Hawk'—28' x 18', glossy green leaves, white flowers,

orange fruit. Narrow, oval form; a strong grower; performs well in hot weather.

Taxodium distichumDeciduousTree50' x 20'SBaldcypressNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers deep sandy loams with plenty of moisture, but can adapt to drier sites. Deciduous conifer with

slender pyramidal form. Needles are bright green in spring, softer green in summer and rich brown in

fall before dropping. Nice as specimen tree or grouped.

Thuja plicataEvergreenTree70' x 25'S/PSHWestern RedcedarNativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, well-drained, fertile soil. A narrow, pyramidal tree when young but becoming quite

large and wide with age. Slow to medium in growth habit. Slender, drooping branchlets have dark, scalelike leaves in fanlike branches. The bark is cinnamon brown which appears to "peel and shred" with age. Full form and rich color make this a nice backdrop tree where space allows.

Tilia americana Deciduous Tree 60' x 30' S/PSH
American Linden, Basswood Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers a deep, moist, fertile soil, but will grow in drier and heavier soils. A large specimen that is

generally too big for most landscape situations except for parks and golf courses. An attractive tree with yellow-white flowers in loose, fragrant clusters, which appear in June/July. Susceptible to several

diseases and insects. Cultivars: 'Boulevard', 'Legend', 'Lincoln', 'Redmond'.

Tilia cordataDeciduousTree40' x 25'SLittle Leaf LindenNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers a moist, well drained fertile soil. Tolerates alkaline conditions and air pollution. Dense and

pyramidal in shape with heart-shaped leaves of dark green above with a silvery cast below. Loose clusters of yellow-white fragrant flowers in June. One of our nicest landscape trees used for shade and as a street tree where space allows. Many suitable cultivars in the trade. 'Glenleven'—Fast growing selection with straight trunk and pyramidal head; 'Greenspire'—40' x 50', narrow oval

form with straight trunk, small dark green leaves and spicy fragrant flowers.

Tilia tomentosaDeciduousTree60' x 40'SSilver LindenNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Tolerates heat and drought, once established. Excellent shade tree with good pyramidal shape. Dark

green leaves have silvery underside, with striking shimmering effect in the breeze. Yellow fall color.

Tsuga canadensis Evergreen Tree 50' x 30' S/PSH/SH Canadian (Eastern) Hemlock Non-native Zone: 2

Comments: Prefers well drained, moist, acid soil. Short, narrow green needles with white bands on underside.

Pyramidal in youth, pendulous pyramidal at maturity. Will grow in shade, or in the sun if sheltered from wind. Can be used as a specimen, grouped, or pruned as a hedge or screen. Nice delicate airy form in the landscape. Small cones are less than an inch long.

Tsuga heterophyllaEvergreenTree50' x 35'PSHWestern HemlockNativeZone: 6

Comments: Prefers cool and moist sites. Adapted to wet protected canyons. Drooping central leader. Dark green,

thin, flat, short needles. Grows quickly in wet sites. Can be sheared as a hedge, but best in natural

form. Small cones are less than an inch long.

Tsuga mertensianaEvergreenTree50' x 35'PSHMountain HemlockNativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers cool and moist sites. Common at high altitudes. Large evergreen with drooping branches and

leader. Singular plump, short needles grow out on all side of branches. Slow growing, dense, compact

form. Small cones are less than an inch long.

Ulmus parvifoliaDeciduousTree40' x 30'SChinese ElmNon-nativeZone: 4

Comments: Prefers moist, well-drained, fertile soil, but adaptable to extremes of pH and soil. Graceful, round-

headed form sometimes has pendulous branchlets, with dark-green leaves. Bark is a mottled combination of gray, green, orange and brown. Excellent, tough tree for many sites. Resistant to Dutch Elm Disease and Elm Leaf Beetles. Do not confuse Chinese Elm with Siberian Elm (*U. pumila*) which is a

messy, brittle, pestiferous tree.

Zelkova serrataDeciduousTree40' x 30'SJapanese ZelkovaNon-nativeZone: 5

Comments: Prefers a moist, deep soil. Water well initially to establish deep rooting. Once established, it is very

tolerant of wind and drought. A good substitute planting for the insect-plagued elm, as this tree is quite pest resistant. Fall foliage varies from yellow to dark red. Smooth gray bark. Well suited to lawn and street plantings where space allows. Cultivars: 'Halka'—long arching branches, fastest growing; 'Village Green'—an excellent cultivar with deep green foliage, vase shape and straight trunk. Rusty

red color in fall; 'Green Vase'—taller and finer textured leaves than Village Green.

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