

OUR PICKS FOR BEST NATIVE PERENNIALS FOR SHADE

Environmentally Friendly with Low Maintenance & Water Requirements
Attract Native Songbirds Locally Grown in Collinsville

Katie's Dwarf (Ruellia britteniana)

grows 8"h x12"w and spreads

Three colors available. Blooms Summer thru Fall. Full sun to shade. Wet or dry. Dwarf blue is the most popular but pink and white available too. Easy to grow. Late to emerge. Very hardy - hard to kill.

<u>Spiderwort</u> (*Tradescanthia sp.*)

grows 12"-18"h x 18"w

Spring thru Summer bloomer available in many colors. Likes sun to shade. Cut back in late season for re-bloom. "Concord Grape" is best. "Sweet Kate" has gold foliage and blue flowers.

Golden Grounsel (*Packera obovata*)

grows 12"-18"h x 12"w

Blooms yellow in early Spring. Shade to part sun. Blooms will stand tall over the foliage. Let it re-seed in spots to fill. Can go dormant if dry, which is okay. This is a hard to find premium shade plant!

Fragrant Phlox (Phlox pilosa)

grows 18"h x 24"w

Blooms pink in the Spring. Shade to part shade. Let it spread through shady areas. Makes a great cut flower. Cut back in spring. Divide to spread faster.

Pigeonberry (Rivinia humilis)

grows 12"-18"h x 30"w

White blooms summer thru fall. Shade only. <u>Spreading</u> ground cover is constantly covered in white blooms and red berries. Cut back in spring. Not evergreen.

Texas Betony (Stachys coccinea)

grows 1-3'h x 2-4'w

Coral red blooms Spring thru Fall. Likes to stay on the dry side. Full sun or shade. Trim as needed to encourage re-bloom.

Zexmenia (Wedelia texana)

grows 2-3' tall & wide

Blooms yellow-orange late Spring to Fall. Full sun to shade. Very easy to grow. Cut back in winter. Trim anytime as needed.

Sea Oats (Chasmanthium latifolium)

grows 24"-30"h x 36"w

Green turning to white seed heads Summer into Fall. Shade only. Best ornamental shade grass. Will re-seed in right spot. Cut seed heads early to stop spreading by seed. Cut back in spring.

Columbine (Aguilegia hinckley)

grows 24"-30"h x 24"

Yellow blooms in Spring light up a shady area. Let it re-seed then cut back in late spring if messy. Variety *canndemsis* blooms red and is shorter at 12"-18" high.

