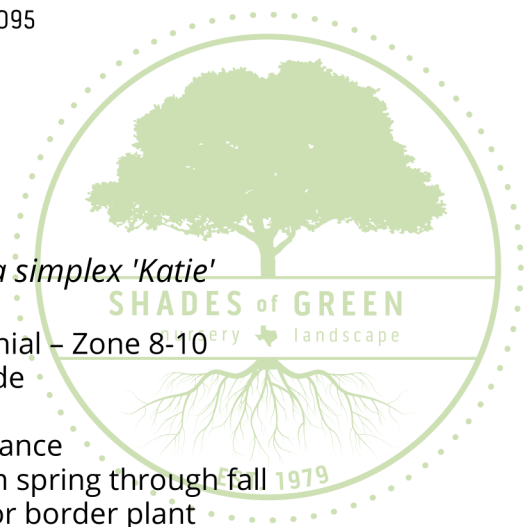


Shades of Green's

Top 10 Native Perennials for Shade



Dwarf Mexican Petunia - *Ruellia simplex* 'Katie'

Ruellia brittoniana 'Dwarf'

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial – Zone 8-10
- 6-8 inches tall x 10-12 inches wide
- Plant in full sun to part shade
- Drought tolerant & low maintenance
- Blooms pink, blue, or white from spring through fall
- A great blooming groundcover or border plant



Spiderwort 'Concord Grape' - *Tradescantia* x 'Concord Grape'

- Herbaceous perennial – Zone 4-9
- 12-18 inches tall x 18 inches wide
- Plant in part sun to part shade in average to moist soil
- Grass-like foliage with 3-petaled purple blooms all summer
- Cut back to promote re-bloom
- A hybrid made from two Native Texas varieties



Golden Groundsel - *Packera obovata*

- Native Texas semi-evergreen perennial
- 12-18 inches tall & wide
- Plant in full to part shade
- Yellow blooms in early spring
- Naturalizes into large colonies once established
- Hardy in Zone 3-8



Prairie Phlox - *Phlox pilosa*

- Native Texas semi-evergreen perennial
- Hardy in Zone 4-9
- 12-18 inches tall & wide
- Plant in full sun or part shade
- Clusters of pink flowers in spring & summer
- Attracts bees & butterflies
- Also called Fragrant Phlox & Downy Phlox



Pigeonberry - *Rivina humilis*

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial
- 12 inches tall x 24 inches wide
- Plant in part shade
- Pink flowers bloom in summer followed by bright red berries in fall
- Drought tolerant
- Hardy in Zone 7-10

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Texas Betony - *Stachys coccinea*

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial
- 1-3 feet tall x 2-4 feet wide
- Plant in full sun or part shade
- Drought tolerant
- Red blooms March to October
- Attracts hummingbirds
- Hardy in Zone 6-9



Zexmenia - *Wedelia texana*, *Wedelia acapulcensis* var. *hispida*

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial
- Grows 2-3 feet tall & wide
- Plant in full sun, part sun, or part shade
- Prefers hot & dry conditions
- Yellow-orange flowers late spring to fall
- Great for pollinators
- Hardy in Zone 7-10



Inland Sea Oats - *Chasmanthium latifolium*

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial
- 2-4 feet tall x 2 feet wide
- Plant in partial shade
- Clump-forming grass with large, oat-like flower spikelets. Blue-green, bamboo-like leaves can turn bright yellow-gold in sunnier sites in fall.
- Also called Northern Sea Oats
- Hardy in Zone 4-9



Columbine - *Aquilegia canadensis*

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial hardy in Zone 3-9
- 12-24 inches tall x 16-20 inches wide
- Plant in partial sun
- Water weekly during dry spells
- Red flowers with yellow centers bloom late spring to early summer
- Attracts hummingbirds
- Looks great planted with ferns and hosta



Texas Gold Columbine - *Aquilegia chrysantha hinckleyana* 'Texas Gold'

- Native Texas herbaceous perennial hardy in Zone 4-8
- 18-24 inches tall & wide
- Plant in shade to part/dappled shade
- Bright, butter-yellow flowers with large, graceful cups and dramatic spurs bloom mid-March through early May
- Needs well-drained soil. Does not tolerate wet feet.