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## **The BCLS Landscape Services List of Recommended Plants for Shade**

All of the following woody plants grow well in both full sun and light or partial shade (less than 1/2 day of direct sun, or light filtered through a high tree canopy). Plants that grow well in more shade are identified as follows:

Plants with (\*) - grow well in light to moderate shade.  
Plants with (\*\*) - generally prefer light or partial shade to full sun, and grow well even in moderate shade.

### **DECIDUOUS TREES**

- \* Japanese Snakebark Maple (*Acer capillipes*)
- \* Vine Maple (*Acer circinatum*)
- \* Japanese Maple (*Acer palmatum*) varieties
- \* Shadbush (*Amelanchier* varieties)
- \* Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*)
  - White Fringe (*Chionanthus virginicus*)
  - Yellow-wood (*Cladrastis lutea*)
- \* Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*)
- \* Kousa Dogwood (*Cornus kousa*)
- \* Cornelian Cherry (*Cornus mas*)
- \* Carolina Silver-bell (*Halesia carolina*)
- \* Magnolia species and hybrids (*Magnolia*)
- \* Sorrel Tree (*Oxydendron arboreum*)
  - Japanese Stewartia (*Stewartia pseudocamellia*)

### **Evergreen Trees**

- \* Cypress varieties (*Chamaecyparis*)
- \*\* American Holly (*Ilex opaca*)
- \* Japanese Umbrella Pine (*Sciadopitys verticillata*)
- \* Upright Japanese Yew (*Taxus cuspidata* 'Capitata')
- \* Canadian Hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*) varieties

## DECIDUOUS SHRUBS

- \* Azalea (*deciduous varieties*)
- \* Barberry (*Berberis*) varieties
- \* Sweet Pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*)
- Shrub Dogwoods (*Cornus*)
- \* Bellflower (*Enkianthus capanulatus*)
- \* Corkbark (*Euonymus alata*)
- \* Burning Bush (*Euonymus alata 'Compacta'*)
- \* Witch Hazel (*Hamamelis varieties*)
- \* Hydrangea varieties (*Hydrangea*)
- \*\*Japanese Kerria (*Kerria japonica*)
- Viburnum varieties
- Yucca varieties

## EVERGREEN SHRUBS

- \* Glossy Abelia (*Abelia x grandiflora*)
- \*\*Evergreen Azalea varieties
- \* William Penn Dwarf Barberry (*Berberis x Gladwynensis 'William Penn'*)
- \*\*Boxwood (*Buxus varieties*)
- \*\*Euonymus Fortunei varieties
- \*\*Holly (*Ilex*) varieties (including Japanese Holly, China Girl/Boy, and Hybrid Blue varieties)
- \* Mountain Laurel (*Lalmyia latifolia*)
- \*\*Dwarf (Coastal) Leucothoe (*Leucothoe axillaris*)
- \*\*Drooping Leucothoe (*Leucothoe Fontanesiana*)
- \*\*Siberian Carpet (*Microbiota descussata*)
- \* Japanese Andromeda (*Pieris japonica*)
- \* Hardy Bamboo varieties (*Phyllostachys varieties*)
- \*\*Rosebay Rhododendron (*Rhododendron maximum*)
- \* Other Rhododendron varieties (*Rhododendron species and hybrids*)
- \*\*Japanese Skimmia (*Skimmia japonica*)
- \*\*Spreading English Yew (*Taxus baccata Repandens*)
- \* Hicks Yew (*Taxus x media 'Hicksii'*)
- Arborvitae (*Thuja*) varieties
- \*\*Evergreen Viburnum (*V. rhytidophyllum 'Willowwood'; V. X. Pragense'*)

## VINES AND EVERGREEN GROUNDCOVERS

- \*\*Akebia (*A. quincifolia*)
- \* Pygmy Bamboo (*Arundinaria pygmaea*)
- \*\*Bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*)
- \*\*Wintercreeper (*Euonymus Fortunei*-groundcover varieties)
- \*\*Ferns (*except Royal*)
- \* Wintergreen (*Gaultheria procumbens*)
- \*\*English Ivy (*Hedera helix*)
- \*\*Baltic Ivy (*Hedera helix 'Baltica'*)
- \* Climbing Hydrangea (*H. anomala petiolaris*)
- \* Lilyturf (*Liriope*) varieties
- \* Partridgeberry (*Mitchella repens*)
- \* Mondo Grass (*Ophiopogon*) varieties
- \*\*Pachysandra (*P. terminalis*)
- \*\*Hardy Myrtle (*Vinca minor*)