



2024 Spring Plant Sale April 26 & 27

Our annual Spring Plant Sale is **THE** plant sale you want to check out this season! Annuals, perennials, shrubs, trees, tropicals, and more! Our staff scour the planet for the best, the newest, and the most tried-and-true to save you the trouble of doing it yourself. During the sale, our industry-leading staff will be here to answer questions and help with recommendations. We hope you enjoy the collection we've put together & look forward to seeing you in the gardens!

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Annuals Selection

Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Acmella oleracea</i>	Toothache Plant	This cute flowering herb in the Aster Family has bright yellow flower heads that are rounded with an orange tip. Though primarily used as an ornamental plant, it gets its name from its foliage which, when chewed, has a numbing sensation.
<i>Alternanthera</i> 'Little Ruby'	Joseph's Coat	We are firm believers that a garden can be breathtaking and not have a single plant in flower! Alternantheras are a perfect example. Used only for its foliage, Joseph Coats come in a wide array of color. 'Little Ruby' is a deep purple color and will stand about a foot tall and spread a bit wider. Loves the sun.
<i>Asparagus densiflorus</i> 'Sprengeri'	Asparagus Fern	Often a "filler" plant used in containers and plantings to add texture that stays perfect all summer. Aptly named asparagus fern for the airy foliage that it has; it really does contrast well with other plants. It is best protected from complete sun exposure.
<i>Begonia</i> 'Gryphon'	Cane Begonia	Stylish tropical begonia with deep green leaves and brilliant silver spots. When you flip the leaf over, it reveals a vibrant maroon underside. Easily growing to 24-30" in one summer, this plant has the vigor of a dragon wing begonia, the toughness of a coleus, and the elegance to make it a staple in the garden each year. Easily overwintered indoors. Best in morning sun and shade the rest of the day.
<i>Begonia odorata</i> 'Alba'	White Angel Begonia	The Angel begonias are great container plants or bed fillers in filtered light. Long, almost arrowhead-shaped leaves are topped with delicate sprays of pure white blooms. For some reason the white one is hard to find but we love it for its clean simplicity in the garden. In 2021, we grew these in the garden and in a container at the Red Pepper Deli in Crestwood. Both conditions proved very favorable for it. When we overwintered the container from the Red Pepper in the glasshouse, it bloomed its head off all winter!
<i>Caladium bicolor</i> 'Galaxy'	Caladium	Resembling the color palette of a watermelon, the striking foliage is a crisp green with pink/red veins and white spotting. Caladiums give a tropical feel to any garden and are most often used in annual beds and container plantings. The bulbs will not overwinter outside of a sub-tropical climate.
<i>Cosmos bipinnatus</i> 'Rubenza'	Cosmos	Single blooms of this variety start off a deep burgundy color and fade to an equally appealing rose as the flowers mature. Vibrant, golden flower add to this selections regal look.
<i>Cosmos sulphureus</i> 'Bright Lights'	Cosmos	Early blooming, abundantly flowering, colorful, and low maintenance. Why would anyone NOT want Cosmos in their garden?! This selection blooms in a variety of shades of yellow and orange.
<i>Craspedia globosa</i>	Drumstick Flower	Attractive, rounded yellow flowers emerge on stalks that poke through tufted clumps of silvery-green foliage. This species is highly popular for floral arrangements and contrasts beautifully not only in bouquets but with other plantings in the garden.



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<i>Cuphea hyssopifolia</i> 'Allyson Heather'	Heather	A tough as nails annual that loves the full sun and just as happy in a container as a good bed of garden soil. The fine textured, shiny green foliage is enough to warrant its use in the garden, so the small lavender flowers are a bonus. It will only reach about 12" tall and spread to 18".
<i>Dichondra repens</i>	Silver Falls	A vigorous plant that forms a mat of silvery-pewter foliage. The species is often used as a ground cover and as a plant that will spill over in container plantings and raised garden beds. The unique color makes it ideal for contrasting in mixed containers.
<i>Euphorbia</i> 'Balbrewite'	Breathless® Euphorbia	Oval-shaped, deep green foliage is the backdrop for an abundance of petite, airy white flowers. Very easy to grow and maintain, and a lover of sun but grows fine in some shade as well.
<i>Gomphrena globosa</i> 'Strawberry Fields'	Globe Amaranth	This variety of Gomphrena boasts a stunningly pure red color against grey-green foliage. Very tolerant of high heat and drought. A lovely cut flower, with color that is retained an extremely long time as a dried flower.
<i>Impatiens</i> 'SAKIMP061'	SunPatiens® Compact Hot Pink Impatien	The SunPatiens series are remarkably heat resistance once established in the ground. They form a very compact, rounded mound of foliage. This selection has remarkably long-lasting pink blooms.
<i>Impatiens</i> 'SAKIMP068'	SunPatiens® Compact Classic White Impatiens	The SunPatiens series are remarkably heat resistance once established in the ground. They form a very compact, rounded mound of foliage. This selection has remarkably long-lasting white blooms.
<i>Iresine herbstii</i>	Painted Bloodleaf	This tropical annual is grown for its remarkable foliage. Red stems and oval-shaped, purple-red leaves make a huge impact when used as a mass planting.
<i>Lantana camara</i> 'Balandroglim'	Rose Glow Lantana	Mounds of dark green foliage boldly contrasts with the multi-colored flowers. Pink-lavender with creamy yellow centers attract butterflies en-masse.
<i>Lobelia erinus</i> 'Balwatarlu'	Waterfall™ Dark Blue Lobelia	Often used as a "filler" and equally as useful as a "spiller" in ornamental containers, this variety of lobelia also does well filling out a border in the garden. A plethora of deep, royal blue flowers fully encompass the backdrop of foliage underneath.
<i>Lobelia erinus</i> 'Balwawish'	Waterfall™ White Blush Lobelia	Often used as a "filler" and equally as useful as a "spiller" in ornamental containers, this variety of lobelia also does well filling out a border in the garden. A plethora of bright white flowers fully encompass the backdrop of foliage underneath.



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<i>Melinis nerviglumis</i> 'Savannah'	Ruby Grass	A real highlight of the annual plantings in last year's (2023) garden plantings. Shimmering pink flower heads emerge in mid-summer and the plant has a soft and delicate aesthetic.
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Tift 15'	Regal Princess™ Purple Fountain Grass	Bred for its enhanced disease resistance and more striking purple color, this well-behaving fountain grass starts out dark green and quickly progresses to a deep, dark purple for the remainder of the growing season. Can take the full brunt of that hot summer sun.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'Balcinsu'	Indian Summer Coleus	A popular container plant, this variety of Coleus has dazzling pink and deep red variegation on the leaves with bright green margins.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'Balcovino'	Vino Coleus	Reaching 2', this Coleus produces leaves of almost black, burgundy color with a fine rim of bright green. An excellent contrast plant in containers or ground beds.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'UF06419'	Trusty Rusty Coleus	The foliage of this Coleus has golden-yellow borders that surround the rusty color of the leaves. The foliage is highly scalloped on the edges.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'UF0843'	Wasabi Coleus	A bright chartreuse Coleus that can get up to 3' tall. Add in a very exaggerated serration to the leaf margin and this is one cool plant.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'UF12- 22-1'	Campfire Coleus	A favorite of our good friend and Louisville gardener Mary Anne Thornton, and we love it too! 3' tall masses of coppery-red foliage with incredible heat tolerance and compact growth for sun or light shade.
<i>Plectranthus scutellarioides</i> 'UF18- 62-10'	Vulcan Coleus	Dynamic gold-chartreuse margins of the leaves make the primary deep velvet-crimson color of the foliage really pop.
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor Bean	This highly unique plant grows vertically on single, bamboo-like stems with amazing red color. The large, fan-like palmate leaves are mix of bright green then turn to a vibrant red. Best for those quirky plant collectors. Seeds are poisonous, so this is not a plant for those with pets or small children.
<i>Salvia</i> 'Roman Red'	Salvia	Profuse with vibrant red flowers with a backdrop of solid-green foliage, this salvia is a pollinator magnet. A compact habit for great landscape performance.
<i>Strobilanthes auriculata</i> var. <i>dyeriana</i>	Persian Shield	Incredibly cool annual with purple and silver leaves. Best for full sun. Visitors to Yew Dell always ask about this plant when we have it in the gardens. The hotter it gets in the summer, the more it likes it.
<i>Verbena bonariensis</i>	Tall Verbena	Sturdy, high-reaching stems are topped with bright lavender-purple rounded flower clusters. The color on this species is impeccable and the tall but airy form is a very unique addition to any garden. Superb heat resistance and extremely easy to propagate from seed.



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<i>Allium fistulosum</i>	Scallion	This species, like most <i>Allium</i> , spreads via underground bulbous clumps and is very easy to propagate by simply dividing those clumps. Culinary uses are endless like adding to salads, garnishing, cooking in stir fries, etc. Round yellow-white flowers give this herb an ornamental quality during the summer.
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	Borage	This herb has foliage, which is covered in fine, bristly hairs. Another name for the species is Starflower, as it has gorgeous, bright blue star-shaped flowers that are also covered in a fine fuzz. Borage tends to make a fairly upright clump.
<i>Capsicum annuum</i> 'Ajvarski'	Sweet Pepper	The fruits of this pepper are a deep red and are incredibly rich in aroma and taste. A delectable pepper for roasting. The name comes from a relish called "ajvar", made from roasting, peeling, then grinding the pepper to be used as a spread.
<i>Capsicum annuum</i> 'Violet Sparkle'	Sweet Pepper	As stunning to look at as they are to eat, the fruit of this variety is a shining purple that is often streaked with a creamy yellow color. Shaped like a wedge, the fruit are ideal for salads and salsas.
<i>Capsicum chinense</i> 'Datil'	Hot Pepper	This pepper has plentiful production of moderately sized orange fruit that pack a punch. The heat is comparable to that of habanero peppers but has a more robust mix of flavors. Used often for hot salsas, jellies, and sauces.
<i>Capsicum chinense</i> 'Habanada'	Pepper	This pepper is the ideal candidate for those of us who love the different flavors associated with peppers but cannot stand the heat. This variety was naturally bred as a Habanero that retains the bold floral and fruity notes but is truly heatless.
<i>Melissa officinalis</i>	Lemon Balm	This 2' tall herb is commonly grown for its lemon-scented leaves. Light green mounds of foliage produce small white flowers through much of the summer. Best in full sun and well drained soils.
<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> 'Genovese'	Sweet Basil	The large, shiny green leaves of this variety are attractive in the garden but this basil is best used for continual cuts for cooking. Used for making pestos, in rice dishes, added to poultry, fish, or vegetables, this basil will add a delightful mediterranean taste to any cuisine.
<i>Origanum vulgare</i> <i>var. albiflorum</i>	White Oregano	While this variety of oregano doesn't differ much from the others in terms of culinary use, ornamentally, it has purely white flowers that provide a different color contrast with the foliage than does the typical pink-purple flowers.
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Red Sorrel	A basal rosette of bright green leaves bear slender, upright stems that are green with red ridges. Male flowers are yellow-green with female flowers being a contrasting red. Often used as a garnish, with many other historical ethnobotanical uses.



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<i>Rumex sanguineus</i> <i>var. sanguineus</i>	Red Veined Sorrel	This is a cool plant that we don't know which category to put it in. It is an edible that will liven up the look to any salad but it is a BITTER one. Definitely need a sweet dressing for it. Then, on the other hand, just the beautiful green leaves with bright red veins makes it an outstanding ornamental in the sun garden. For best results and color, give in consistent moisture.
<i>Salvia officinalis</i> 'Berggarten'	Common Sage	A useful plant for herb gardens and container plantings alike, this selection has blue-green to grey foliage and does wonderfully in full sun. Resistant to animal-browse, it can be used for culinary and ornamental purposes.
<i>Thymus pulegioides</i>	Lemon Thyme	This dwarf thyme is wonderfully aromatic, low growing, and prefers a well draining soil. The dainty flowers are a rose-purple, but if you are looking to cut foliage for culinary purposes it is best to do this prior to flowers emerging.

Evergreens

Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Abies bornmuelleriana</i>	Turkish Fir	A wonderful, hard-to-find fir that is similar to the Nordmann Fir. Native to the area around the Black Sea, this fir is more tolerant of heat than most and is happy in Kentucky.
<i>Abies nordmanniana</i>	Nordmann Fir	This tree offers dense branching and plentiful dark green needles with white striping on their lower surface. With a pyramidal form, and topping out at 60' tall in cultivation, this tree can serve as a specimen tree to provide evergreen winter interest and has been historically used as a Christmas tree.
<i>Cryptomeria japonica</i> 'Yoshino'	Japanese Cedar	An excellent formal, conical evergreen with soft, billowy foliage. Vigorous grower that makes an excellent specimen or screen planting. 'Yoshino' is the most cold tolerant form out there and our favorite. This is a highly underrated and underplanted tree in the Louisville area.
<i>Picea abies</i>	Norway Spruce	A large, pyramidal tree with long, cylindrical cones that hang like ornaments from the weeping branches against the dark green foliage. This sun-loving, 40 to 60' high tree is often used as windbreaks, screens, or hedges in large-scale landscapes.
<i>Pinus strobus</i>	Eastern White Pine	This eastern Kentucky native tree is known for having a straight trunk and pyramidal shape with soft gray-green foliage. The bark is thin, smooth, and greenish-gray on young trees, becoming thick, deeply furrowed, and grayish-brown with age. The needles are soft and flexible, are a bluish-green on the upper surface and a whitish color beneath. This species makes an excellent specimen tree for lawns or parks. Site in areas with adequate space to accommodate future growth.



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Ferns		
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<i>Adiantum pedatum</i>	Five Finger Maidenhair Fern	Delicate, light green fronds lay flat atop dark stems, forming a near-perfect circle. This plant loves a moist, cool, shaded area with rich soil. A native to the Eastern US, it is often found alongside rocky seeps, springs, and freshwater stream embankments.
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> 'Victoriae'	Victory Lady Fern	Unique and choice fern with upright arching fronds of medium green that are twisted and crested at the tips. Nice specimen in the shade garden or shady container.
<i>Athyrium</i> 'Ghost'	Painted Fern	This hybrid fern has noticeably upright, silvery foliage. The foliage is most strikingly silver in the spring and becomes more of a dark green mixed with silver later on in the growing season. Midribs of the fronds are a deep maroon.
<i>Athyrium niponicum</i> <i>var. pictum</i> 'Regal Red'	Japanese Painted Fern	All of the great characteristics of the Japanese painted fern but with a purple/violet (not red) color to the middle of the fronds. A true winner in shade gardens in our area, expect this plant to top out in the 18-24" range.
<i>Cystopteris bulbifera</i>	Bulblet Fern	This curious fern has the rare ability to create clones from the tiny bulblets forming on the underside of its fronds, which fall to the soil and create a whole new plant! This fern loves shady areas with rich soil and does very well planted alongside rocks as long as consistent moisture is present.
<i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i> 'Brilliance'	Autumn Fern	Excellent vase-shaped, semi-upright fern to about 2' tall for shade. The new growth of 'Brilliance' is a mix of reds and orange and dramatically stands out in the garden.
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i> 'Parsley'	Male Fern	The fronds of this fern are rather unique with a dulled, green color and frond tips that crinkle and contort. Its habit is rather compact and it can stand as a great contrasting backdrop of foliage alongside flowering plants.
<i>Dryopteris x australis</i>	Dixie Wood Fern	Probably our favorite fern here at Yew Dell. A much better plant than ostrich fern for this area but with the same effect. Sword like fronds stand 3' tall and make a serious impact in the shade garden. This fern is semi-evergreen but the fronds flop over flat in late fall.
<i>Onoclea sensibilis</i>	Sensitive Fern	This medium-textured fern forms 18" tall mounds of bright green foliage. It turns bright yellow at the first hint of frost giving it the "sensitive fern" name. Deer resistant, easy to grow, and even works well in rain gardens.
<i>Osmunda regalis v. spectabilis</i>	American Royal Fern	This fern has a broad geographical range, thriving in moist shady locations in the eastern US from zones 3-10. Growing in rather large clumps, the individual fronds are an elegant green while fertile fronds protrude from the center with rusty-orange to brown colors.



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<i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i>	Cinnamon Fern	An upright fern native to Kentucky that grows fertile fronds when mature. 3' green fronds surround the fertile fronds that are a cinnamon color.
<i>Osmunda regalis</i>	Royal Fern	This fern will be just happy as can be along the edge of a stream or pond. Native to a range spanning multiple continents, you may be lucky enough to find this growing in the wild right here in Kentucky. Similar to the cinnamon fern with its sterile fronds, but the pinna (leaflets) are much, much larger and gives a totally different look.
<i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i>	Christmas Fern	A common site in many of our eastern deciduous woodlands, the Christmas fern is nonetheless underutilized in the urban garden! It is a truly evergreen fern with robust, 2-3' long individual fronds. Dappled sun is best for this one.

Perennial Grasses

Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Calamagrostis</i> 'Karl Foerster'	Feather Reed Grass	The classic architectural grass. Strong and upright with late summer plumes of wispy flowers. Seed heads remain attractive all through the fall and winter. People argue that it is overplanted but it sure does do its job in the garden well!
<i>Carex oshimensis</i> 'Everillo'	Evercolor® Japanese Sedge	Super little evergreen clumper with grass-like leaves edged in dark green and brilliant gold centers. Perfect for sun to part shade borders or containers. We like this plant so much, we planted thousands of them along our parking lot.
<i>Muhlenbergia reverchonii</i> 'PUNDO1S'	Undaunted® Muhly Grass	The typical muhly grass (<i>M. capillaris</i>) can be maddingly touchy in the garden. It overwinters when it feels like it, but not when you feel like it! Undaunted is a great advancement in muhly for the garden. Fine textured, blue-green foliage in mounds about 2' tall are topped in fall with clouds of pink. Native, durable and much more reliable, this one is great for any sunny garden with reasonably well drained soils.
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> 'Standing Ovation™'	Little Bluestem	A 2024 Theodore Klein Award winner! This cultivar of an exemplary native grass is tolerant of a wide spectrum of soil types and conditions. Extremely drought tolerant once it has established a solid root system, this species forms a well-behaved clump with attractive green leaf blades and a touch of blue at the base. In the fall, the leaves convert to a bronze-orange, giving this grass multi-season interest.



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Perennial Vines

Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Bignonia capreolata</i> 'WFHgofin'	Gold Finch™ Crossvine	This classic Kentucky native climbing vine typically has brick-red to orange flowers. Goldfinch™ has clear yellow flowers and was selected by Bill Hendricks of Klyn Nursery. While it is typically considered a woodland vine, all Bignonias do much better in full sun. Give it something to climb on and watch it go. Jacob planted one of these in his garden in Shelbyville in 2020 and during the long cold January/February of 2022, this plant stayed perfectly evergreen.
<i>Celastrus scandens</i>	American Bittersweet	This is a big vine best suited for large structures, stone fences, or trees. It will perform the best in full sun. This is the Kentucky native vine that produces beautiful bright orange and red clusters of fruit in the fall. It is a dioecious, so male and female plants are needed for fruit. Sex of these plants unknown.
<i>Clematis heracleifolia</i>	Bush Clematis	This is far from your typical clematis. It is non-vining and stays at a moderate size. It isn't a sturdy plant and could use some extra support. For a quick fix, a small upside-down tomato cage will do the trick. In late summer, small, true blue tubular flowers open up and eventually give way to the always nice poofy Clematis seed heads.
<i>Clematis</i> 'Rooguchi'	Clematis	A non-vining clematis? Yep. 2" purple flowers hang down on a plant that can grow exceedingly tall if given something to grow through like a chain link fence or other trellis-like feature. It just doesn't grab on though. One of the best ways to use it is to leave it alone in a perennial border and let it crawl around where it wants to.
<i>Clematis</i> 'Stand By Me'	Bush Clematis	Another non-vining Clematis! This one will be covered in beautiful purple to nearly blue flowers that hang down. No need to worry about how to prune this one either. It dies back to the ground each winter and comes back to bloom again the next. It will stand erect until the flower set pulls it down so a little support can be of good use.
<i>Decumaria barbara</i>	Wood Vamp	Also called a climbing Hydrangea vine, this Eastern U.S. native plant can easily be confused with <i>Hydrangea anomola</i> ssp. <i>petiolaris</i> when seen in the garden. The flowers though are fragrant and very 'fuzzy' looking because of the numerous stamens. Incredibly glossy, dark green leaves do well in both shade and sun, as a groundcover or climbing vine, and in wet or standard moisture levels in the garden. In the wild, it is found growing near ravines and creeks. Yew Dell has a fine specimen located in the Sunken Rock Garden which these plants were propagated from.



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Shade Perennials

Botanical Name	Botanical Name	Botanical Name
<i>Aralia cordata</i> 'Sunking'	Japanese Spikenard	Perennial Plant Association plant of the year for 2020 and a Theodore Klein Award winner as well! This stout perennial will mature to a 4-5' tall and wide "shrub" in the garden with brilliant gold new growth fading to a soft chartreuse later in summer. More shade, more green - more sun, more gold - but not too much sun! Small white flowers in late summer yield glossy black fruit. Fabulous!
<i>Asarum arifolium</i>	Arrowhead Ginger	This eastern Kentucky native, low-growing plant is similar to the other gingers but instead of the common round leaf, it has a pronounced arrowhead shape to the leaf. Evergreen, but during the winter, a nice purple hue may develop if cold enough. Small flowers appear in early spring at ground level and although not big and showy, it is always fun to lift up the leaves and take a look at such unusual blooms! Another common name for his plant is Little Brown Jug. It gets this name because the flowers are brown and (you guessed it) look like little brown jugs with small openings!
<i>Chelone lyonii</i> 'ARMITPP02'	Tiny Tortuga™ Turtlehead	An amazing late summer bloomer we have loved in the gardens here at Yew Dell! Only reaching about 18" tall the dark green foliage contrasts the bright pink flowers very well. We have had a <i>Chelone</i> growing in a large container in our Walled Garden for a few years now. It hasn't missed a beat! Tiny Tortuga™ is a fast grower and forms a nice mass quickly. <i>Chelone</i> is a fun and easy plant to separate into single divisions in the fall to expand your own shade garden or share with friends.
<i>Disporopsis pernyi</i>	Evergreen Solomon Seal	We honestly have no idea why everyone isn't growing this plant! It grows 12" tall with glossy, evergreen foliage with small, bell-shaped flowers in white/green. Spreads slowly in the shade garden. Won't say deer-proof . . . but deer resistant! When temperatures drop below 10° Fahrenheit, the foliage finally takes a hit and will die back until the spring.
<i>Epimedium</i> 'Orange Queen'	Barrenwort	Always a favorite, 'Orange Queen' is one of the better of the orange flowered eps. 12" tall of light green spring foliage topped with clouds of yellow/orange spring blooms.
<i>Epimedium</i> 'Spine Tingler'	Barrenwort	One ridiculously cool plant! 10" tall mounds of long, narrow, leathery leaves with spiny (but not painful!) margins give this a unique look. Covered with soft yellow blooms in spring. Takes dry shade but happier and more vigorous with a bit of moisture.
<i>Epimedium wushanense</i> 'Sandy Claws'	Barrenwort	Brace yourself for this one coming up in the spring! A little more than 12" high mounds of long and spiny foliage, not painful though, is a screaming maroon color with a slight yellow margin. It is truly unbelievable.
<i>Epimedium x perralchicum</i> 'Frohneiten'	Barrenwort	Beautiful 12" tall masses of green/bronze/maroon foliage sit below bright yellow flowers in this selection.



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<i>Epimedium x rubrum</i>	Barrenwort	Pink to red flowers stand above the foliage that emerges green and maroon.
<i>Epimedium x rubrum</i> 'Galadriel'	Barrenwort	Where are our Lord of the Ring fans at? Yep, it was named after an Elven Queen from the series. Pink to red flowers stand above yellow and orange new growth.
<i>Eurybia divaricata</i> 'Eastern Star'	Wood Aster	This tough, native plant blooms in the shade and is quite deer and drought tolerant. A native, herbaceous perennial with showy white flowers appearing in clusters rise above the heart shaped leaves in late summer to fall and are a favorite of bees and butterflies.
<i>Heuchera americana</i> 'Dale's Strain'	Coral Bells	Excellent selection of our native coral bells with low mounds of foliage in green, burgundy, and silver. Best in filtered light and a well-drained soil. Long lived and deer proof.
<i>Heuchera</i> 'Amethyst Mist'	Coral Bell	This selection was bred to have excellent heat and humidity tolerance. The exemplary foliage is a plum-burgundy color with a subtle silvery-blue overlay. Although foliage is the main attraction for this one, panicles of pink bell-shaped flowers emerge in the late spring to provide even more aesthetic interest.
<i>Heuchera</i> 'Green Spice'	Coral Bells	During the cool weather of spring and fall, the leaves of this plant will exhibit red venation surrounded by a pale green/white leaf that has a green margin. Best in light shade. Is this the year you transition a portion of your planters to perennials and start a collection of coral bells on the porch?
<i>Heuchera</i> 'Kaleidoscope'	Lucid Dreams™ Heuchera	Here is another new coral bells, this one from Plants Nouveau. Bright yellow leaves have a maroon venation making for a stark contrast. As we say with all of the coral bells, if you have the right, well drained, organic soil- it will thrive. If you do not, they are best in a planter on the shaded patio.
<i>Heuchera longiflora</i>	Long-flowered Alumroot	The foliage is medium green with dark green veining with occasional silvery or red overlay on the foliage possible depending on light exposure. Compared to the <i>Heuchera americana</i> , this coral bells species has shorter flower stalks but with larger flowers and better drought tolerance.
<i>Heuchera villosa macrorrhiza</i> 'Autumn Bride'	Hairy Alum Root	A surprisingly hard to find plant considering how tough and useful it is. Low mounds of hairy, bold-textured leaves keep their powder dry well into the fall when they are topped with delicate wands of white flowers. A fantastic ground cover for dry shade. Deer, drought, cold, you name it. This is a problem solver in just about any garden. Their kryptonite though is heavy, wet, clay soils. Put them in planters and watch them thrive.



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<i>Heucherella</i> 'Pumpkin Spice'	Foamy Bells	This intergeneric hybrid (<i>Heuchera x Tiarella</i>) uses <i>H. villosa</i> in its background giving it better staying power in Kentucky's heat and humidity. Foliage emerges in spring with stunning orange/copper color and darker centers. Late spring white flowers on 10-12" spikes
<i>Hosta</i> 'Feather Boa'	Hosta	A small hosta that came to us via our friend Gene Bush. Only reaching around 10" tall, it has narrow yellow foliage and a ruffled edge. It will do great in a planter or used as ground cover around larger shade perennials.
<i>Hosta</i> 'First Frost'	Hosta	Simply one of the most beautiful hostas out there. We know how subjective that is! When this 16" hosta opens up its leaves in the spring, they are a vivid blue surrounded by a soft, butter yellow margin. Incredible! But if you have only sun or deer- forget about it.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Humpback Whale'	Hosta	This enormous hosta will blow you away with its heart shaped, blue-green leaves that have an appealing corrugated texture to them. In the summer, blue-green stalks emerge with perfectly white bell-shaped flowers.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Purple Profusion'	Hosta	A smaller, more compact hosta that is not here to wow you with its foliage but with its dazzling multitude of deep purple flowers. This hosta is a bit more sun tolerant than others, but more shade will result in a deeper green on the leaves.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Rainbow's End'	Hosta	"Variegated" would be an understatement to describe the foliage of this medium sized hosta. Streaks of bright greenish-yellow and dark green blend throughout the mass of foliage. The flowers are a complimentary dark lavender.
<i>Hosta</i> 'Wheee'	Hosta	'Wheee!' is the cultivar name, not the sound that the deer will make running to and from your hosta plants in the garden eating them to the ground. Obviously not for areas where deer do their thing, but in the right spot, or in planter on the porch, this short hosta is awesome! Only 12-18" tall with flower scapes reaching 24", this hosta has extremely wavy, green foliage with a cream margin. If you haven't tried hosta in a planter, this would be a great one to start the collection with.
<i>Iris cristata</i>	Dwarf Crested Iris	A classic and much-loved Kentucky spring wildflower found in light woodlands and rocky soils. Growing only 6" tall or so, the sword-like green foliage is topped with bluish iris blooms. Plants will establish quickly and form clumps large enough to divide and share within only a couple of seasons. Fleeting but that just makes it all the more precious!



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<i>Iris cristata</i> 'Powder Blue Giant'	Dwarf Crested Iris	This is a more robust selection of our much beloved native woodland wildflower. 6 to 8" masses of sword-like foliage and rich blue spring iris flowers. The flowers of 'Powder Blue Giant' are much larger than the straight species and can reach up to 3" across! Grow in filtered light and well-drained soil. This selection was made not far from Louisville. Samuel Norris (1921-2002) of Owensboro, Kentucky discovered this selection growing in Leitchfield, Kentucky.
<i>Iris cristata</i> 'Tennessee White'	Dwarf Crested Iris	Our favorite little dwarf iris that is native to Kentucky! This selection has bright white flowers instead of the normal purple/blue. Perfect for path edges, troughs, or planters in the shade garden. Imagine the excitement that legendary nurseryman Don Shadow had when he discovered this amazing selection in Tennessee!
<i>Iris tectorum</i>	Japanese Roof Iris	This is a very cool Iris!! Expect to see this plant offered more frequently in our plant sales. This plant can tolerate a good deal of shade but also sun. It has broad sword like foliage, typical of Iris, and huge blue/purple flowers in spring that can reach 6" across. It gets its common name because it was grown on thatch roofs in China and Japan. And just like that, the shingles on your roof are much more boring than they were before reading this!
<i>Mazus reptans</i> 'Alba'	Creeping Mazus	The classic filler-inner plant with a twist. It grows only a few inches tall and creeps along the ground producing tiny leaves and blue/white flowers in spring. 'Alba' is, well, alba, the white form. Great for filling in around stepping stones, creeping along the edge of a mixed border, or anywhere else you need a fill in. Takes a little foot traffic. Not bothered by deer.
<i>Packera obovata</i>	Roundleaf Ragwort	A Kentucky native plant that prefers some shade but can tolerate full sun. Bright yellow flowers that stand 12-16" tall. The foliage stays low and is mat forming at only 4-6" and will make great masses of flowers over time. It can tolerate both dry areas and wet areas.
<i>Petasites japonicus</i> subsp. <i>gigantea</i>	Butterbur	This is a big, bold, and proud grower! 3'-tall mounds of bold foliage are produced after small, green spring flowers. Happiest in light shade with its feet in water or consistently damp soil. But if given lots of moisture, it is an aggressive spreader. On medium moisture soils, it is less aggressive. If you have some space to let this one roam, it's quite stunning.
<i>Petasites japonicus</i> 'Variegatus'	Butterbur	Bold and awesome groundcover perennial for the lightly shaded garden. Big, rounded leaves grow on plants to about 4' tall and will spread quite a bit if given a wet spot. But in moderate moisture conditions, it will not spread too aggressively. Yellow blooms are produced in May and June but honestly, nobody cares because the variegated foliage is so awesome!



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<i>Phlox divaricata</i> 'May Breeze'	Woodland Phlox	A 2024 Theodore Klein Award winner! Stunning native shade perennial with fine textured foliage and delightful spring blooms in pale blue. A gem!
<i>Rohdea japonica</i>	Sacred Lily	This tough, clump-forming perennial has glossy, strap-like foliage in an appealing dark green. Inconspicuous flowers emerging in the fall give way to stunning red berries that last through much of the winter.
<i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i>	Bloodroot	Another giant white flower that blooms across Kentucky in spring. As the plant emerges, the leaf is wrapped around the flower bud. You will see what looks like little green/grey bundles poking out of the ground that suddenly start to unfurl and a single white flower up to 2" across will open, do its business, and form a seed pod. As the petals begin to fall off the flower, the single leaf of the plant will begin to grow and will persist until summer before going dormant. Well established, mature clumps of this plant can have leaves nearly 12" across!
<i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> 'Running Tapestry'	Foamflower	A vigorous running groundcover with red speckled, deeply dissected, maple-like foliage. This plant produces a plethora of white flower spikes in spring and is a wonderful companion plant with spring ephemerals, ferns, and other such shaded-woodland species.
<i>Uvularia grandiflora</i>	Bellwort	This is an elegant plant! Forming large clumps of upright foliage somewhat similar to a <i>Polygonatum</i> but more full when it finally gets fully grown in late spring. When the stems begin to emerge the plant flowers before the leaves completely open which allows a great showing of the flowers. They are comprised of bright yellow petals that are twisted and hang downward.
<i>Viola walteri</i> 'Silver Gem'	Walter's Violet	This compact violet is an enchanting groundcover with beautiful silvery-blue, heart-shaped foliage. Throughout spring and early summer, small violet flowers protrude from beneath the foliage. A single plant reaches about 3" to 5" tall and spreads as much as 10" to 15" wide. It is ideal for shady woodland settings but once established, it is very drought tolerant.



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Botanical Name	Common Name	Description
<i>Aesculus parviflora</i>	Bottlebrush Buckeye	This species of buckeye, unlike the Ohio Buckeye, is more of a dense shrub. In mid-summer, it shows off why it is called the Bottlebrush buckeye. Beautiful white flowers up to 1' tall emerge all over to attract an abundance of insects. Naturally occurs in shaded woodlands, but tolerant of some sun if it gets watered frequently.
<i>Diervilla</i> 'El Madrigal'	Firefly® Diervilla	With burning bush being a plant that doesn't need to be planted for its invasive tendencies, this could be a very good replacement. Only 2-3' tall and wide, this plant provides beautiful reddish foliage all summer. During the spring, bright yellow flowers open up and really put on a show contrasting with the foliage color. Full sun.
<i>Diervilla</i> 'G2X88544'	Kodiak® Orange Diervilla	This is an up and coming ornamental shrub we believe. Native to a good bit of the eastern and midwest United States, it grows to 3-4' or so and about as wide. Small yellow flowers are second row to the beautiful orange new growth of Kodiak® Orange. A few other worth mentioning tidbits are it being drought tolerant, performs in the sun or shade, and the deer seem to leave it alone. We will have these in our evaluation program this year to keep a close eye on it. Let us know what you're seeing in your garden too!
<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i> 'Annabelle'	Smooth Hydrangea	A selection of our native Hydrangea with an incredible story. Found by Harriet Kirkpatrick in Union County, IL, in 1910 while horseback riding. She brought it back to her garden in Anna, IL, where she grew it and shared it with friends and a division made its way to Urbana, IL, in 1935. Fast forward another 25 years and Dr. Joseph C. McDaniel, a professor at the University of Illinois, noticed this plant growing near campus in Urbana and was the one who finally got it into cultivation and into the market. Tracing its roots, Joseph named the cultivar after the southern belle from Anna, IL, who first discovered it.
<i>Hydrangea arborescens</i> 'NCHA5'	Invincibelle Wee White® Smooth Hydrangea	This dwarf cultivar of the native Oakleaf Hydrangea is a great addition to urban gardens where you want a standout shrub but have little room to work with. An extremely hardy shrub that has successive blooms all throughout the summer and into the fall.
<i>Hydrangea paniculata</i> 'Frenne'	Skyfall Panicle Hydrangea	This particular hydrangea was bred to be perfect for floral arrangements. Exceptionally large clusters of white flowers are held on sturdy, conical heads. Individual flowers are star-shaped and are held in a beautifully compact form.
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> 'Little Honey'	Oakleaf Hydrangea	This dwarf cultivar is a more manageable size than the straight species. The foliage is a bright golden-yellow to start and becomes more chartreuse as the growing season progresses.
<i>Hydrangea quercifolia</i> 'Ruby Slippers'	Oakleaf Hydrangea	A profusion of exceptionally large white blooms in summer that quickly age to deep pink. Robust blooms remain upright even after heavy rains. Dark green, deeply lobed oak-like foliage turns brilliant mahogany in fall. The compact form works in smaller landscapes and is useful for mass planting, hedges, or borders.



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<i>Acanthus spinosus</i>	Bear's Breeches	We love this tough and durable perennial for its deep, glossy green foliage and white veins. The Victorian purple/pink/white flower spikes in late spring are an added bonus. It will grow in full sun or part shade in any reasonable soil. Most of what's in this country under this name is a hybrid of <i>Acanthus spinosus</i> and <i>A. mollis</i> but we really don't care. It's a great plant. Deer proof, great cut, lives forever.
<i>Achillea millefolium</i> 'Balvinviolet'	New Vintage™ Violet Yarrow	A very, very bright flowered Yarrow. Only about a foot tall in the garden, this little plant has soft, fern-like foliage that hugs the ground. After flowering, give it a cut back to easily promote a flush of new flowers. This is a tough plant and can stand up to the hot dry periods in our Kentucky summers.
<i>Agastache</i> 'Blue Fortune'	Anise Hyssop	This tall but compact member of the mint family is covered in bottlebrush spikes of light purple/blue flowers from midsummer into fall. This gives your garden months of colors and a steady source of food for the insects that visit the flowers. Not only will the insects enjoy it, but you can crush a leaf as you walk by and get a refreshing aroma of licorice!
<i>Allium</i> 'Medusa'	Ornamental Onion	This ornamental onion has snaky, twisty leaves that will remind you of the Medusa's snake hair. This variety forms a low mound of grey-green, narrow foliage with leaves that twist slightly at the end. The nodding flower clusters offer a charming appeal for the rock or herb garden.
<i>Allium</i> 'Millenium'	Ornamental Onion	The 2018 Perennial Plant of the Year® and it is well deserved to hold that title! With a taller-than-average stature compared to most <i>Allium</i> , it blooms its head off in midsummer and attracts a ton of pollinators that feed off of the purple flowers. Unlike <i>Liriope</i> that gets ragged in the winter and tries to stay evergreen, 'Millenium' saves you the trouble and just dies back to the ground but will retain the dried flower heads for some added and attractive interest!
<i>Allium</i> 'Windy City'	Ornamental Onion	This species has dark green, grass-like foliage with rounded tips that emerge in the spring. By mid-summer, green-purple stems are topped with an explosion of firework-shaped balls of violet purple flowers. The flowers fade after a solid month of blooming but remain standing as attractive seed heads all winter long. The blooms are attractive to pollinators and the foliage is seldom bothered by mammals.
<i>Amorpha canescens</i>	Lead Plant	North American native plant known for drought tolerance and unique, purple/gray flowers in summer. Finely textured and compound leaves make for a great contrast in the garden. It appreciates a lot sun and dry soils.



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<i>Amorpha nana</i>	Fragrant False Indigo	This native pollinator plant has fine textured green leaves sit below spike of purple flowers. It is a host plant of our native Silver Spotted Skipper Butterfly and is drought tolerant.
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Swamp Milkweed	Outstanding native that grows to about 4-5' tall and produces summer to fall blooms of pink with an unusual cinnamon/vanilla scent. One of the very best plants for attracting and supporting not only monarchs but a long list of native butterflies. Likes sunny moist settings. Deadhead for repeat blooms. Makes a great cut flower too.
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> 'Ice Ballet'	Swamp Milkweed	Outstanding native that grows to about 4-5' tall and rather than the typical pink flowers, this one is a clear white, with an unusual cinnamon/vanilla scent. One of the very best plants for attracting and supporting not only monarchs but a long list of native butterflies. Likes sunny moist settings. Deadhead for repeat blooms. Makes a great cut flower too.
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> 'Soulmate'	Swamp Milkweed	Outstanding native that grows to about 4-5' tall and produces blooms of deep, vivid pink with white centers and an unusual cinnamon/vanilla scent in summer. 'Soulmate' has a deeper pink color than the straight species. One of the very best plants for attracting and supporting not only monarchs but a long list of native butterflies. Likes sunny moist settings. Deadhead for repeat blooms. Makes a great cut flower.
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly Weed	A favorite native for sunny sites. Loose masses of green foliage play second-fiddle to the late summer sprays of vivid orange flowers. Attracts monarch butterflies and loads of other pollinators as well. Good cut flower. Deer proof. Loves hot, sunny, and dry conditions. Those cool looking red and black bugs that cover this plant in late summer are Milkweed Bugs. They don't really harm the plant but they will suck the juices out of the seed making them useless. If you are trying to save the seed, keep them away.
<i>Baptisia</i> 'Solar Flare'	Prairieblues™ False Indigo	Not many sun perennials are as tough as Baptisias! 'Solar Flare' boasts bright yellow spring flower spikes and will stand over 4' tall at maturity. Secondary interest comes after the flowers fade and the seed pods develop which can be used in dried flower arrangements. Good foliage all summer long.
<i>Baptisia</i> 'Twilite'	Prairieblues™ False Indigo	When in flower, this plant stands to an impressive height in a beautiful smoky purple color with a splash of yellow on each petal. A perfect anchor in the sunny perennial garden.
<i>Betonica officinalis</i> 'Hummelo'	Lamb's Ear	This plant is a tough, durable, and attractive sun perennial with rose/purple mid-summer blooms. The highest rated selection in a Chicago Botanic Garden multi-year trial. It was also awarded the 2019 Perennial of the Year award by the Perennial Plant Association.



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<i>Ceratostigma plumbaginoides</i>	Plumbago	This selection just plain gets it done, year after year. Dense mass of glossy, deep green foliage to about 8" tall spreads to form an excellent groundcover with intense blue blooms in spring and sporadically through the summer and fall. Easy to grow in any reasonable soil in sun or part shade.
<i>Chrysanthemum</i> 'Brandywine Sunset'	Hardy Garden Mum	This garden mum offers showy blooms of soft pink/peach with yellow centers and incredible fragrance. It is covered with dozens of different pollinators when there is little else out there blooming in the fall garden. The excellent thing about gardening with perennials is the ever changing colors throughout the growing season and garden mums fill the niche of being one of the last to show off each year!
<i>Chrysanthemum</i> 'Mary Stoker'	Hardy Garden Mum	Excellent garden mum with mounded foliage topped in fall with peach to yellow flowers. Fantastic late season pollinator plant and way better than those silly pot mums from the grocery store!
<i>Chrysanthemum</i> 'Raspberry Sorbet'	Hardy Garden Mum	This hardy garden mum offers showy blooms of bright and cheerful pink/purple with incredible fragrance. It is covered with dozens of different pollinators when there is little else out there blooming in the fall garden. Fabulous! Like all of the hardy garden mums, this plant is a reliable perennial year after year and will be one of the last plants flowering in your garden in the fall.
<i>Clinopodium nepeta</i> subsp. <i>nepeta</i>	Calamint	Perennial Plant of the Year® for 2021. Fantastic, incredibly drought tolerant sun perennial to about 1-1.5' tall with fine, gray/green minty scented foliage and dainty pale purple, almost white flowers summer to fall. It is pretty incredible how long this little plant blooms for!
<i>Coreopsis auriculata</i> 'Nana'	Ear-Leaved Tickseed	This is a cute little fella. Not even reaching a foot tall, this small but mighty plant can form organized and attractive bunches over time. Definitely for the front of the sun garden or in smaller spaces where it won't get lost amongst all the taller perennials.
<i>Coreopsis verticillata</i> 'Moonbeam'	Thread-leaf Coreopsis	With fine, dark green foliage and pale yellow flowers, this species is sure to draw the eyes. It works great pairing with other sun-loving pollinator plants such as Purple Coneflower. Coreopsis are slow but consistent spreaders and low maintenance plants.
<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	Swamp Loosestrife	This native species loves wetland soils for those that have pond features or mucky areas from gutter runoff. Tall, wand-like stems can easily spread to fill out a wet area and have attractive pink to rose-purple flowers that emerge at the leaf axils.



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<i>Delosperma</i> 'P001S'	Fire Spinner™ Ice Plant	Cold hardy, semi-succulent creeper with vivid red to red/orange blooms in spring. Great for the rock gardens or planters in full, screaming sun. A couple of years ago, Yew Dell planted some of these in the green roof of our glasshouse. They have done incredibly well and the green roof only has a fine rock grit that they grow in.
<i>Echinacea paradoxa</i>	Yellow Coneflower	A tall and purely yellow coneflower! The foliage on this plant is also a little more narrow than that of <i>Echinacea purpurea</i> . It is the genetics of this plant though that allowed for the breeding of coneflowers in the red and yellow color spectrum.
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i> 'Raspberry Truffle'	Purple Coneflower	An excellent perennial for the garden and superb for cut-flowers, this coneflower boasts large, salmon-pink double flowers with a darker raspberry colored center.
<i>Echinops ritro</i>	Globe Thistle	Durable and long flowering masses of spiny looking foliage to about 3-4' tall produce mid and late summer globes of sky blue flowers. Excellent cut flower. Super pollinator plant for the summer border. Deer proof. Likes the sun and well-drained soil.
<i>Erigeron</i> 'Azurfee'	Fleabane	Manageable clumps of this perennial create erect stems that culminate in flowers with lavender-blue petals and a yellow center. Occasional cut backs can help this species continually bloom from summer into early fall.
<i>Eryngium</i> 'Big Blue'	Sea Holly	This plant boasts thistle-like electric blue flowers that blanket spiny foliage. Flowers dry beautifully adding texture to bouquets, borders, or containers. Great for cut flowers too. Blooms hold their color while lateral flowers develop.
<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i>	Rattlesnake Master	Another Kentucky native plant that can be found in tall prairie remnants. Large basal clumps of yucca-like leaves produce eventually share the spotlight with protruding stalks adorned with white globe flowers that are extremely attractive to pollinators. This is a plant that you will fall in love with just because of how different it looks than other plants in your garden.
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Boneset	Amazing native plant that loves the rain garden. A consistently tough and hardy perennial covered in clusters of white flower in late summer and early fall that resemble a Joe Pye Weed.
<i>Eutrochium dubium</i> 'Baby Joe'	Joe Pye Weed	You would think with a name like 'Baby Joe' this Joe Pye would be really short. That isn't the case. It tops out at around 3' tall but considering the straight species can get up to 5-6', I guess baby isn't too bad of a descriptor. It still has the amazing plumes of light purple flowers in late summer that the pollinators love.
<i>Eutrochium fistulosum</i>	Hollow Joe Pye Weed	A big one! If happy and in a good site, this plant can reach an incredible height! If you have room for a big perennial in the garden that is native and loved by pollinators, this is a hard one to pass up. If you don't have a few perennials in your garden that you have to look up at to see in flower, you are missing out!



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<i>Geranium</i> 'Karmina'	Hardy Geranium	This Theodore Klein Award Winner forms tight, dense masses of dark green foliage with cheerful, pale pink flowers in late spring. It makes a great edge or crevice plant and is outstanding in containers (we've had one in the same container for about 10 years!). Deer resistant.
<i>Geum coccineum</i> 'Koi'	Avens	This is a dwarf variety of <i>Geum</i> and is perfectly suitable for containers, rock gardens, and any spot with adequate drainage and plenty of sun. Compact singular mounds of foliage are crinkled, hairy, and a glossy green. The flowers have shiny reddish orange petals and appear for many months.
<i>Gladiolus dalenii</i> 'Boone'	Hardy Gladiolus	No need to dig these up in the fall to have them for next year. They are truly hardy in this area and have an exceptional yellow/orange/butterscotch color to the flower. This one multiplies pretty quickly and you will have a nice clump in no time!
<i>Helianthus maximiliani</i>	Maximilian Sunflower	Not sure why everyone doesn't need or want one of these stunning giants of the garden. A favorite plant of small birds that feed off of the seed heads in fall and winter. Very tall stalks covered in large, bright yellow sunflowers in summer and fall. What a great option for some height in the garden.
<i>Hemerocallis</i> 'Blackthorne'	Daylily	Arguably one of the most collectible genus of plants in the American midwest garden, everyone knows what a daylily is. They are tough, easily divided to shared with friends, and come in about a bazillion and a half different varieties. 'Blackthorne' has a large flower up to 5" across with a deep maroon center and light yellow on the outside of the bloom. The margins of the petal are slightly ruffled and you can expect the flowers to stand a little over 24".
<i>Hibiscus</i> 'Dark Mystery'	Hardy Hibiscus	A dark burgundy/green foliage perennial hibiscus with a very soft pink flower that contrasts amazingly with the foliage!
<i>Hibiscus</i> 'Midnight Marvel'	Hardy Hibiscus	Huge, scarlet red blooms emerge from deep wine-purple foliage. Blooming continuously from mid-summer to early fall.
<i>Hylotelephium spectabile</i> 'Autumn Fire'	Stonecrop	This cultivar has ornamental appeal throughout the year. In spring, rounded, fleshy green leaves emerge, followed by light pink flower buds during the summer. As summer wanes, the flowers open to red and are quite attractive to butterflies and bees. In the winter season, browned seed heads are also eye-catching.
<i>Hypericum calycinum</i> 'Brigadoon'	St. John's Wort	Ooh la la. One of the most interesting St. John's Wort out there. We have this short-spreading plant in the garden near the entrance to the Sunken Garden in the full sun. Screaming yellow foliage comprises the plants moderate stature. Make sure to check this plant out next time you visit Yew Dell.
<i>Iris ensata</i> 'Variegata'	Japanese Iris	Silvery-green foliage and deeply saturated purple flowers give this iris some great pairing potential in the garden. White variegation blends well with the already striking foliage and persists throughout the year.



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<i>Leptinella squalida</i> 'Platt's Black'	Brass Buttons	Funky little container or rockery plant with segmented, zig-zag stems and green to black scale-like foliage on a plant that only grows to a couple of inches high. It produces 'brass button' looking flowers in early summer and prefers the sun but in hotter climates like the Louisville area, some protection from the late afternoon sun is ideal. It is a plant that once you see it, you have to have it! The winters in this area can be pretty brutal on this plant but it is worth the risk.
<i>Liatris microcephala</i>	Appalachian Blazing Star	This awesome little native liatris is far shorter than most of its fellow Blazing Stars. It loves the sun, and is very drought tolerant. As you travel southeast into the Cumberland Plateau region of Kentucky, you can find this plant growing in the wild. Like other liatris, this crazy thing blooms first at the top of its bloom spike and then down unlike most plants with bloom spike who bloom from the bottom up!
<i>Liatris spicata</i> 'Floristan Violet'	Blazing Star	This plant is a butterfly magnet! A neat mound of grass-like foliage with tall flower spikes of magenta-purple.
<i>Lilium formosanum</i>	Formosa Lily	Yes, you need one of these or a few hundred scattered around the garden. This lily will tower over most things in the garden. But being so narrow, it takes up little to no space at all. There can be up to ten pure white flowers on each plant! They also provide great winter interest in the garden as the seed pods persist at the top of the stems all winter. And if you like to collect and save seeds, this plant will be one of your favorites just for the sheer number you can dump out of one seed pod!
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i>	Cardinal Flower	You can't keep the hummingbirds off of these flowers! Screaming red flowers on a 2-4' native plant that will do well in normal garden conditions or a wet, rain garden planting.
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i>	Great Blue Lobelia	Not as well known as its red-flowered cousin, this native grows to about 2' tall with summer blooms of sky blue to pale lavender. Incredible pollinator plant. Great for meadow plantings, pollinator gardens, and just about any sunny border.
<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	Allegheny Monkey Flower	This native perennial can fit a specific landscape niche. It grows best in swampy areas, shady low lying areas, and pond borders. Flower color has variation from blue to lavender to pink-purple, and the flower itself is said to resemble the face of a monkey, from which it gets its common name.
<i>Monarda bradburiana</i>	Bee Balm	This excellent but rarely offered native monarda runs a little shorter than most other bee balm species. It produces pale pink to lavender blooms in May along with all the other great treats of other bee balms. Great as a cut, for pollinator gardens, rain gardens, and just about any mixed border. Easy to grow.



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<i>Monarda didyma</i> 'Jacob Cline'	Bee Balm	Yew Dell Director of Horticulture and Facilities, Jacob Stidham, swears he doesn't grow this one for its name but rather for its impressive stature (he likes plants he can look in the eye!), screaming scarlet red summer flowers and excellent mildew resistance. For hummingbirds, it's excellent and one of their favorite plants. It is also frequently visited by other summer pollinators including the awesomely cool hummingbird moths.
<i>Monarda</i> 'Gardenview Scarlet'	Bee Balm	Many of us have grown and know how great 'Jacob Cline' is. Bright red flowers that bloom their heads off for weeks on end during the summer. 'Gardenview Scarlet' is the same bright red color but in the Mt. Cuba trial of Monardas, it exhibited better powdery mildew resistance! For those of you who prefer shorter perennials, this one is about a foot shorter than 'Jacob Cline.'
<i>Monarda punctata</i>	Spotted Bee Balm	This beebalm bears aromatic leaves on purplish stems. In summer, plants are topped by showy rounded clusters of creamy purple-spotted tubular flowers. Leaf-like pink, lavender, or cream-colored bracts form beneath each flower cluster. The stacked combination of colored bracts and speckled flowers is unique and showy. Pollinators flock to the blooms in sunny prairie-like settings or in gardens with sandy well drained soils.
<i>Monarda</i> 'Purple Rooster'	Bee Balm	This bee balm has the darkest, truest purple flowers of any cultivar. With about a month of full blooms and excellent powdery mildew resistance, this selection is spectacular beebalm to add to full-sun pollinator areas.
<i>Monarda</i> 'Raspberry Wine'	Bee Balm	The long-lasting, wine-red blooms of this bee balm are a favorite of hummingbirds. Excellent powdery mildew resistance.
<i>Nepeta</i> 'Balneplud'	Blue Prelude™ Catmint	This big, robust growing catmint will form a mound of fine textured foliage with spring/early summer bloom spikes in deep blue. Great pollinator plant, cut flower, and all around sun performer. Shear back after blooming for a rebloom later in the summer.
<i>Nepeta</i> 'Early Bird'	Catmint	Not only does this variety provide some of the earliest blooms of any Catmint, but the grey-green aromatic foliage and violet blooms offer a sensory buffet. Its compact habit and small size make this a great groundcover or border planting.
<i>Oenothera fruticosa</i> 'Fireworks'	Sundrops	A selection of our native species that is more compact with green foliage that has a tint of purple/red to it. The flower buds are red and open to the same bright yellow flowers as the straight species in late spring. Evergreen rosettes of foliage add some interest in the winter.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Belle Toulousaine'	Intersectional Peony	A double flowering violet intersectional peony that gets its name from Toulouse, France, where it was developed. Intersectional peonies have the best attributes of herbaceous garden peonies and woody, tree peonies by having an extended bloom time and excellent summer foliage.



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<i>Paeonia</i> 'Danse Du Feu'	Intersectional Peony	Flowers of this peony have a soft, pastel tone of intermixed peachy-pink, rose, and cream coloration. You can find great contrast between individual flowers on the same plant.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Duchesse de Lorraine'	Intersectional Peony	A fully double yellow peony?! And it is an intersectional peony with sturdy stems to hold the flowers up?! That should be enough to get anyone excited! Intersectional peonies have the best attributes of herbaceous garden peonies and woody, tree peonies by having an extended bloom time and excellent summer foliage. Bright, blazing sun and any reasonable soil works for this one.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Garden Treasure'	Intersectional Peony	This is one of our favorite intersectional peonies in the collection here at Yew Dell. Sturdy compact plants are covered in bright yellow flowers each spring and the foliage remains nice and clean the rest of the summer. A true winner.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Gordon E. Simonson'	Intersectional Peony	Quite simply one of the largest flowered intersectional peonies we know of. Tall mounds of high-quality foliage topped in spring with giant, deep pink/rose, semi-double flowers with bright yellow centers. Intersectional peonies have the best attributes of herbaceous garden peonies and woody, tree peonies. They have an extended bloom time and excellent summer foliage.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Joanna Marlene'	Intersectional Peony	Very large, semi-double blooms are held on sturdy stems with a rich yellow color and petal tips that become a peachy over time.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Pink Double Dandy'	Intersectional Peony	Compact mounds of foliage provide a lush green backdrop to fragrant double and semi double pink-violet blooms. The color is more saturated near the center of each flower but hints of white can grace much of the flower depending on sun exposure.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Raggedy Ann'	Intersectional Peony	Sturdy stems will present these white with a chiffon-pink center, semi-double blooms in grand fashion. You'll not have to worry that you forgot to stake your peonies like you do with the old fashion herbaceous ones! Intersectional peonies have the best attributes of herbaceous garden peonies and woody, tree peonies, have an extended bloom time and excellent summer foliage.
<i>Paeonia</i> 'Symphonie Pourpre'	Intersectional Peony	Spanning mid spring through early summer this peony bursts with vivid, semi-double blooms in an incredible deep pink. Individual flowers are quite large and have a ruffled, wavy appearance at the petal tips.
<i>Penstemon digitalis</i> 'Onyx and Pearls'	Beardtongue	This is an amazing penstemon. Deep purple evergreen foliage shoots up in spring and is covered in clear white flowers. The flowers and foliage color contrast puts on an amazing show! Great sun perennial for foliage, blooms, and pollinators. Planted in mass, it makes the obvious impact in the spring, but during the winter, the carpet of purple foliage can really help beat the winter blues!



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<i>Persicaria microcephala</i> 'Red Dragon'	Knotweed	This clump-forming, sterile cultivar was bred to be less aggressive than other Knotweed, but it is still a good idea to use this one in a container planting! Ovate to triangular leaves start red-brown, turning to silver-purple over time.
<i>Phlox carolina</i> spp. <i>carolina</i> 'Kim'	Carolina Phlox	The light pink flowers are unmistakably a phlox but the leaves might throw you for a bit of a loop. Long, narrow leaves that taper to a point are a light green color. In the plant trials at Mt. Cuba Center, this plant exhibited very high disease tolerance and the foliage stayed clean all season. In late May, the plant will begin to flower. 'Kim' was selected by Jan Midgley in Alabama.
<i>Phlox</i> 'Fashionably Early Crystal'	Garden Phlox	An awesome garden phlox that shows great resistance to mildew. Blooming white in early summer, it stays in flower for a very long time. This phlox will stay shorter than some of the taller garden phlox. For the sunny border.
<i>Phlox paniculata</i> 'David'	Tall Garden Phlox	The classic, white flowered, and mildew-resistant tall phlox for the sunny, summer garden. A fragrant, great pollinator plant, and excellent cut flower. 'David' is showiest as the sun is starting to set in the evening. The bright white flowers will glow like a lightbulb at twilight in your garden.
<i>Phlox paniculata</i> 'Jeana'	Garden Phlox	Ahhh, another plant with a great back story. 'Jeana' was discovered by Jeana Prewitt outside of Nashville, TN. It grows into an attractive mound that eventually reaches fairly uniform height and width. In the Mt. Cuba Center trials, it was remarkably disease and mildew resistant. The clusters of small pink/lavender flowers had the highest number of butterflies visiting out of all of the other panicle phlox in the trials!
<i>Physotegia virginiana</i> 'Miss Manners'	Obedient Plant	This cultivar of the Obedient Plant provides greater structural support for the stems so flopping is less of an issue. Compact clumps have tall, upright stems that culminate in pale lilac-pink flowers that resemble those of snapdragons.
<i>Pycnanthemum muticum</i>	Blunt Mountain Mint	A Kentucky native and possibly one of the best pollinator plants to add to the garden. Not nearly as aggressive as culinary mint, but close. Make sure to give this one space. This plant has deep green foliage, silver bracts, and flowers all summer long. Yew Dell has some of this plant along the Rain Garden below the Rounsavall Pavilion.
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	Virginia Mountain Mint	If you hear <i>Pycnanthemum</i> , you can immediately think super pollinator plant. This Kentucky native stands tall, loves the sun, tolerates wet feet very well, and is deer resistant. If put in a moist area, it will spread readily.
<i>Ratibida columnifera</i> 'Red Midget'	Prairie Coneflower	Fun, unique flowers of deep reddish-brown, orange, and yellow dance above mounds of fine green foliage from June until frost. This dwarf variety of a native prairie plant is very tolerant of drought and remains a manageable size.



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<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'American Gold Rush'	Black Eyed Susan	One of the better Black Eyed Susans on the market today. It explodes in mid-summer with huge masses of classic Black Eyed Susan flowers in. Good cut flower and pollinator plant for sweltering settings.
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> 'Herbstonne'	Cut-leaf Coneflower	This is a stunning, statuesque coneflower. In July through September, erect flower stalks are topped with drooping yellow rays with a green central disk. An absolute magnet for insects that depend on flowers for nectar and pollen. A must have for any perennial garden!
<i>Rudbeckia maxima</i>	Giant Coneflower	This is one big, honkin' coneflower! A basal mass of bright, blue/green foliage yields an 8-9' tall stalk with multiple yellow flowers with dark brown centers in mid to late summer. Makes a huge statement in the summer garden. Loves hot, sunny sites with dryish soil once established. These can be found growing in the Overlook Garden at Yew Dell.
<i>Salvia azurea</i> var. <i>grandiflora</i>	Blue Sage	This native perennial boasts grey-green leaves with upright wands of sky-blue flowers. Butterflies and hummingbirds love this plant! A strong but pleasant sage scent.
<i>Sedum ternatum</i>	Three-leaved Stonecrop	Our native sedum! In the Kentucky woodlands, you will find this plant clinging to the side of limestone cliffs, boulders, and other areas that are well drained. Put this in a nice planter on your patio or in your garden and it will be about as low maintenance as they get. In spring, it will become covered in tiny white flowers that stand up above the foliage a few inches. Protecting it from the hot afternoon sun will be beneficial.
<i>Sempervivum</i> 'Artic White'	Hen and Chick	This Hens and Chicks cultivar is remarkably unique. Frosty white cobweb-like stings of fine hairs envelop the entirety of the plant. Over time this variety creates a conglomerate mass of rosettes that create a compact and flashy appearance. Regardless of whether it is planted in a garden bed or container, make sure to use well-draining, preferably rocky soil. Full sun is necessary to achieve maximum webbing and bright white coloration. Flower stalks with pink blooms appear in the summer.
<i>Sempervivum tectorum</i> 'Red Heart'	Hen and Chick	A compact rosette of medium-green succulent leaves grows pink to red from the center and during the winter is primarily a rich red. The Hens and Chicks, like many succulents, prefer a gritty, well-draining mix and are well suited to rock gardens or gravel-filled containers that have a drainage hole. These cute plants start with a single rosette but will send out new ones to create an attractive, somewhat overlapping mass of foliage. Grow this plant in full sun for best form and color, and do not worry about overwintering because Sempervivums are incredibly frost tolerant. Pink, star-shaped flowers appear in the summer.



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<i>Seseli gummiferum</i>	Moon Carrot	The lacy, silver-blue foliage of this biennial plant is a striking visual feature for the garden. Huge umbel flowers emerge a pure white, similar to Queen Anne's Lace, but with time, the flowers become a faint mauve-pink. A well-draining soil is needed.
<i>Solidago rugosa</i> 'Fireworks'	Rough Goldenrod	Excellent late-summer bloomer for the bright sunny garden. Vigorous, arching sprays of foliage are topped with sparkling golden masses of flowers. Durable, long-lived, and an excellent late nectar source for pollinators. Many people mistake goldenrods for a plant that causes their allergies to act up. This simply isn't true. Goldenrods have sticky pollen that isn't able to be carried off in the wind. So go ahead and put some of these amazing late-summer plants in your garden and do not worry about a runny nose!
<i>Solidago shortii</i> 'Solar Cascade'	Short's Goldenrod	Selected by our good friend Steve Foltz of the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gardens, this cascading goldenrod is a great summer/fall bloomer to plant above a wall or on a slope. Brilliant yellow flowers and deep green foliage. Full sun and well-drained soil. This species is listed as endangered and only occurs in few locales in North Central KY and one area of Southern IN. It was first recorded as a species by Louisville botanist Dr. Charles Wilkins Short in 1840 growing on Rock Island at the Falls of the Ohio. Talk about a plant with some local history!
<i>Stokesia laevis</i>	Stoke's Aster	This native, perennial wildflower prefers a consistently moist soil and a good amount of sunlight. Fluffy, violet-blue flowers have petal margins that are serrated similar to those of Dianthus. Blooms early to mid summer.
<i>Symphotrichum laeve</i> 'Bluebird'	Smooth Aster	This Mt Cuba Center introduction makes an outstanding garden plant. With strong, upright growth the dark green foliage is covered with blue/lavender flowers in late summer and fall. Foliage remains good looking all summer and doesn't get hammered by disease as happens to so many asters out there. Great pollinator plant for the end of the season.
<i>Symphotrichum oblongifolium</i> 'October Skies'	Fragrant Aster	Compared to 'Raydon's Favorite,' this selection is a bit shorter and more blue/lighter purple. It provides just as much late season activity in the garden. Tough as nails and can take some pretty horrible garden conditions like drought, poor soil, and heat. This selection was discovered at the Scott Arboretum just outside of Philadelphia.
<i>Thalictrum aquilegifolium</i>	Meadow Rue	Lacy, fine-textured, bluish green foliage has its own aesthetic impact but the flowers make this plant even more beautiful. Stems emerge above the foliage with pale, lilac-purple flowers that have a delicate look to them.



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<i>Thermopsis villosa</i>	Carolina Lupine	With a very similar look to Baptisia, this native perennial has bright yellow flowers all along erect flowering stalks that emerge above lovely green foliage. Forms a compact shrub. A nitrogen-fixing legume.
<i>Tradescantia</i> 'Concord Grape'	Spiderwort	Frosty, blue-green foliage in compact clusters and gorgeous purple flowers with noticeable yellow stamens make this a visually impactful plant. A long, two month window for flowering does not require deadheading. Best grown alongside equally competitive plants if you want to minimize spread.
<i>Verbena canadensis</i> 'Homestead Purple'	Vervain	Vervain have consistently been used as an easily establishing border plant or ground cover that steadily creeps to fill in space. With a long blooming window from May to October, this selection blooms with an excessive amount of rich, bright purple flowers!
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>	Prairie Ironweed	This well known native is topped with densely clustered rose-purple flowers that emerge at the apex of single stems. A must-have for pollinator plantings, this species is a crucial host for larvae of the American Painted Lady butterfly.
<i>Yucca filamentosa</i> 'Color Guard'	Adam's Needle	We do not condone the use of plastic or artificial plants but the real ones that seem to be as tough as plastic get high marks in our book. This bright yellow and blue/green Yucca looks the exact same on a 5 degree day in February as it does on a 105 degree day in July. This is the plant they should plant in parking lot islands instead of Hosta and Hydrangea!



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<i>Acer miyabei</i> ssp. <i>miaotaiense</i>	Miaotai Maple	A rare maple from China that can reach 60' at maturity. These plants have been grown in 3 liter Root Maker containers that promote a vigorous root system but prevents the roots from circling inside the container.
<i>Acer tegmentosum</i> 'Joe Witt'	Snakebark Maple	An outstanding striped maple for the lightly shaded garden. Upright oval to about 25' tall over time, it has fairly bold textured, light green leaves that turn bright yellow in fall. Bark, particularly on branches under about 5" in diameter, is striped with white, green and gray. Protecting this from the hot afternoon sun is key. During dry spells some supplemental water would benefit this plant. A little extra work than some but the bark is worth it!
<i>Acer truncatum</i>	Shantung Maple	This is a Theodore Klein Award Winner and favorite of Steve Foltz, Director of Horticulture at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden. An adaptable tree with bright leaf color in spring and fall, it grows just 20 to 25' tall, with a similar spread, making it suitable for smaller spaces and front yards hemmed by power lines. This Asian maple's foliage emerges with a reddish cast before shifting to deep green for summer and then fiery shades for the fall. It tolerates heat and drought and grows in full sun to part shade. These trees have been grown in 3 liter Root Maker containers that promote a vigorous root system and prevent circling roots while they are in the container.
<i>Aesculus turbinata</i> 'Marble Chip'	Japanese Horse Chestnut	Very cool, somewhat tropical palmately compound leaves like all <i>Aesculus</i> but 'Marble Chip' boasts beautiful white/green variegation. <i>A. turbinata</i> is also known for being much more resistant to leaf scorch than other species of <i>Aesculus</i> . In the wild, this species can reach into the 80'+ range but expect less in cultivation and the variegated variety will come in even shorter.
<i>Aralia spinosa</i>	Devil's Walking Stick	Most people are going to question why in the world you would put this in your garden but don't mind them. They will be jealous when they see the giant flower clusters in summer that are loved by pollinators that are followed by giant clusters of tiny black fruit. Boasting the largest leaves of any tree in North America, the bi-pinnately compound leaves are covered in tiny leaflets that provide excellent texture. It will colonize over the years and reach heights up 15' or more so planting it on the outskirts of the garden or in the back of large perennial border will be important. It also has thorns up and down the trunk which give it another common name, Hercules's club.



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<i>Asimina triloba</i>	Pawpaw	Where do we start with a description for this excellent native tree?! Also known as the Kentucky Banana, Indiana Banana, Tennessee Banana.....you get the point. The largest fruiting tree in North America, it is found in the wild growing in colonies in creek bottoms as an understory tree. If you plant it out in the full sun though, it makes an exceptional ornamental tree with its large tropical-like leaves and will produce more fruit! The tree flowers in early spring and is pollinated by flies. If you are at Yew Dell and notice some pig feet hanging in our pawpaws, it is because we are trying to attract more flies to help in pollination! Another cool bit of info on this one is that the leaves smell like green peppers when crushed. The trees for sale are in 3L Root Maker pots to prevent girdling roots and make a more fibrous root system.
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> 'MY Select Strain'	Wisconsin Red™ Hornbeam	A selection of our Kentucky native tree by Michael Yanny. It will grow to be about 20' tall and nearly as wide but Michael selected it for the fall color. Screaming orange, red, and yellows develop at the end of the season. The Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, Striped Hairstreak, and Red-spotted Purple butterflies use the Hornbeam as a host plant. These plants for sale are around 3' tall. They would make an incredible hedge for anyone willing to take the time to keep them clipped a couple times each year.
<i>Carpinus</i> 'Shelby'	Skylark™ Hornbeam	This is a cross between our native hornbeam, <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> and the European species <i>C. betulus</i> . Only growing to 30-40' tall, it stays rather columnar and may only get to 15' or so wide. The plants for sale are only around 3' tall and have been grown in Root Maker pots to eliminate roots girdling and to help promote a more fibrous root system.
<i>Carya laciniosa</i>	Shellbark Hickory	This large, native, deciduous tree supports many wildlife species with its large fruit.
<i>Cladastris kentuckea</i>	Yellowwood	A very pretty and fast-growing tree native to Kentucky. It can grow over 2' a year and once large enough, will bloom hanging panicles of fragrant white flowers. In full sun or light shade, this plant can eventually reach to 40' or more and spread just as wide. These plants being sold are only a couple feet tall.
<i>Cornus controversa</i>	Giant Dogwood	This is a very fun and unusual dogwood. Growing to 30-40' tall and wide, it has a similar growth habit as our native flowering dogwood but the flowers are totally different. First of all, the new flowers start growing and look just like broccoli! As they mature and begin to flower, the whole tree is covered in white cymes (clusters of tiny flowers) that give the look that the tree is covered in snow. A very underutilized tree that we would like to see used more in gardens! These are 3-4' trees for sale but with their fast growth, they could easily be 6-7' in a couple of growing seasons.



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<i>Cotinus obovatus</i>	American Smoketree	It's a tree! It's a bush! It's not Superman though, just a super plant. This is the native species of what people commonly call either a smoketree or smokebush. Seeing that it can reach heights of 20-30', it falls into the category of small tree. Green foliage is covered in clouds of 'smoke' looking, light pink flowers in the spring. The tree puts on arguably an even better show in the fall when the foliage turns to yellows, reds, and oranges. These tree have been grown in 3 Liter Root Maker pots and are 3-4' tall.
<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	Hardy Rubber Tree	If you are looking for a tree that can get large, this is one worth taking a look at. At Yew Dell, there is a large specimen along the edge of the Arboretum just past the Tobacco Barn and Gift Shop. It can mature at over 60' tall and possibly up to 50' across. Waxy, deep green leaves are trouble-free and persist on the tree late into the fall before they fade to a light green and then drop off.
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	European Beech	We brought in these small beech trees as liners to graft some of our beech collection on to. Time got away from us this year and we didn't get around to it. Here is your chance to get a small one to prune into whatever shape you would like in your garden. These small trees are about 12" tall.
<i>Heptacodium miconioides</i>	Seven-son Flower	This tough as nails, large shrub/small tree forms a mass of green in summer with stringy, exfoliating bark. In late summer and early fall, it is covered with lightly fragrant white blooms and, if the season cooperates, bright red sepals that persist for several weeks. Excellent bee plant for full sun or part shade.
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Sweetgum	This native, deciduous tree is very common in the wild but its impact as an ornamental tree is undervalued. Tolerant of a variety of soil types, the best aspect of this species is the mosaic of fall colors the foliage puts on. This can range from green to yellow, and red to a dark purple.
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> 'Slender Silhouette'	Sweetgum	This tall columnar cultivar will maintain its shape uniformly, growing upwards with the top of the tree about the same width as near the bottom. It will grow to a height of 50 to 60' and a width of 5 to 6'. This variety's slender habit makes it ideal for thin or narrow spaces like medians and small gardens as a vertical accent plant. The columnar form also makes it a great choice as a screen or tall planting that borders along property lines.
<i>Magnolia</i> 'Blushing Belle'	Magnolia	Big, soft pink Magnolia flowers. A 20 to 30' tall tree that is from a cross between 'Yellow Bird' and 'Caerhays Belle'. We can't promise it won't have the flowers frozen every year, but the years you get a good bloom will be worth it! The trees being sold are young, about 3-4' tall and perfect for training into a multi leader of your liking or with one central leader.



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<i>Morus alba</i> 'Unryu'	White Mulberry	This cultivar of the white mulberry is often referred to as the contorted mulberry due to gnarled trunk that develops over time as well as the zig-zagging of the branches. Used as a premier focal point tree, it not only provides ornamental value with its form and beautiful yellow fall color, but also bears deliciously sweet fruit.
<i>Parrotia persica</i> 'Lamp Lighter'	Persian Ironwood	The tough as nails <i>Parrotia</i> but with a variegated leaf. Green leaves with wide, white margins can be sporadic and inconsistent but it is a <i>Parrotia</i> nonetheless and right at home in any sun garden. In the fall, the white margin of the leaf doesn't change but the inner green leaf changes to a pink color.
<i>Parrotia subaequalis</i>	Chinese Ironwood	Outstanding Chinese native only recently discovered in the wild. It will form a medium tree up to about 35' tall with a somewhat open habit, deep green foliage and intense burgundy fall foliage color. Drought and clay tolerant plus quite disease resistant. The foliage fades to a uniform tan color in winter and persists on the tree until early April. Choice and extremely hard to find. These trees have been grown in 3L Root Maker containers which prevent circling roots and promote a more robust root system.
<i>Quercus</i> 'Nadler'	Oak	This Theodore Klein Award winner gives you the majestic beauty and durability of an oak tree but the ability to plant it in small garden spaces. After 30 years, the original Kindred Spirit was only 30' tall and 6' wide.
<i>Styrax obassia</i>	Fragrant Snowbell	Reaching a max height of 30' over its lifetime, this smaller tree has an appealing rounded crown. In May through June, fragrant white flowers emerge with showy yellow stamens in the center.
<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'Goshiki'	Zelkova	Zelkovas are tough as nails. Why not have a variegated tree that is tough as nails? Fantastic foliage has a cream/white margin that makes the tree really stand out from a distance. Up to 25' tall but only half as wide.