16. Autumn Joy Stonecrop, Sedum, Sedum spectabile 'Autumn Joy'. Flowers are borne on flat-topped clusters beginning in September a rosy pink and lasting into October, maturing a coppery-red and finally drying brownish on the stem. Prefers full sun, will handle some shade. Native of China and Korea.


22. Anthony Waterer Spirea, Spiraea japonica 'Anthony Waterer'. Bright carmine-pink flowers in 4-6" flat clusters. New growth is deep reddish-purple. Perfect for the border or mass plantings. Found only in cultivation.

23. Invincibelle Spirit™ Smooth Hydrangea, Hydrangea arborescens 'Invincibelle Spirit'. Huge snowball flowers in June-July, with attractive and interesting features throughout the year. Hardy and easy to grow. Blooms on new wood so can be pruned in spring. Native of eastern North America.


25. Heavenly Bamboo, Nandina domestica - Evergreen with white blooms in early summer. Leaves are bright green in summer, coloring to crimson in fall. Red berries. Native of China.

26. Wintercreeper Euonymus, Euonymus fortunei var. coloratus - Evergreen foliage is deep green turning to reddish-purple in the fall through winter. Sometimes sold as bigleaf or purple wintercreeper. Tough-as-nails groundcover. Can become invasive in landscapes and it spreads by runners and as it climbs trees. Can damage mortar joints and concrete structures. Fruit is spread by birds. Cannot be controlled by mowing and difficult to control with herbicides or to remove by hand. Native of China.


30. Canticleer™ Callery Pear, C. x B. sempervirens 'Glen's Form' (USPP 2,489). More compact and upright than 'Aristocrat.' Sometimes sold as Cleve-land Select Callery Pear. Excellent floral display. Reliable, tough tree. Can be invasive, as fruit is consumed by birds and spread into woodlands. Seedlings have long thorns. Tough to remove by hand, but can be controlled with herbicides. Native of China and Korea.

31. Daylilly, Hemerocallis x hyb. 'Stella d'Oro' - One of the first to bloom and re-blooms like no other, up until frost. One of the most popular daylilies on the market. Found only in cultivation.

32. Canadian Hemlock, Tsuga canadensis - Adaptable, fast-growing evergreen that is excellent for a hedge or informal specimen planting. Requires good, well-drained soil. Intolerant of compacted or alkaline soils, and excessively dry sites. Provide protection from wind and drought. Native of eastern North America.

33. Sweetbay Magnolia, Magnolia virginiana, 'Sweet Thing' - Creamy-white, deliciously fragrant flowers in May-June and silver-backed leaves that dance in the wind. Tolerates wet soil and shade as well as average garden conditions. Small frame and rather airy habit. Native of southeastern North America.

34. Crapemyrtle, Lagerstroemia indica 'Tonto' - Semi-dwarf variety with bright pink flowers. Foliage is reddish when emerging, becomes green, and turns oranges-red in fall. Cinnamon-brown bark. Native of eastern Asia.

35. Green Gem Boxwood, Buxus sinica var. insularis x B. sempervirens 'Green Gem' - Good dark green color all winter. Excellent for small hedges or borders. Requires little pruning. Found only in cultivation.

36. Snow Fountains™ Weeping Cherry, Prunus x 'Snopeazan'. Small, graceful weeping form with snow-white flowers covering the plant in early April before leaves emerge. Top grafted at 6'. Handsome cinnamon-red bark. Excellent orange fall color. Found only in cultivation.

37. Ajuga, Ajuga reptans 'Bronze Beauty'. Vigorous grower with spikes of blue flowers in April-May. The mat-like foliage forms a thick carpet preventing weeds from emerging. Tolerates poor soils and does well in shade or full sun. Spreads solely by runners, (not by seed,) and can be invasive by growing into surrounding turf. Low growing, remains below height of lawn mower blade. Native of Eurasia.


39. Dragon Lady™ Holly, Ilex x aquipernyi 'Dragon Lady'. Spiny foliage and bright red berries on this handsome ornamental. Found only in cultivation.

40. Knock Out™ Rose, Rosa x hyb. - The standard by which all other shrub roses are now judged. Blooms all summer and fall, until hard frost. Purple-maroon fall color. Extremely disease resistant. Found only in cultivation.

41. Foster Holly, Ilex x attenuate - Adaptable, fast-growing evergreen that is excellent for a hedge or informal specimen planting. Requires good, well-drained soil. Intolerant of compacted or alkaline soils, and excessively dry sites. Provide protection from wind and drought. Native of eastern North America.

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Maiden Grass, Chinese Silver Grass, Zebra Grass, Miscanthus sinensis - Fine-textured foliage on upright-arching plant makes this grass useful for screening, naturalizing, or as a specimen in the landscape. Coppery-red plumes appear in October, turning white and finally tan. Yellow-orange fall color. Native of China.

Some notes on the plant list:
The format of the name listed is the commonly accepted format within botanical industry.
The first name listed is the common name. The name in italics is the botanical name. Cultivar names are enclosed in single quotation marks.
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Many plants have a common name that is different from the cultivar name. A common name can be trademarked (™) but a botanical name cannot be legally protected.

There is a growing interest in native plants for the landscape, and the advantages they might offer. Native plants in the Extension Office landscape are noted in RED.