Name	Family	Description	RHS Hardiness Rating	Aspect/ Exposure	Soil	Photo
Acanthus 'White Water'	Acanthacae	Bold dark green foliage with white foaming particularly when growing strongly. Pink - kissed white flower heads on clean pale pink stems Jun-Aug. Foliage 60cm, flowers 1.5m.	5	Exposed or sheltered N/S/W/E Sun or part shade	pH, any, moist well drained, sand chalk loam	
Achillea 'Prospero'	Asteraceae	Like a cream flowered Achillea 'Moonshine'. Evergreen grey foliage and creamy yellow flowers May-Aug, 60cm.	7	Exposed. S/E/W. Sun	pH, any, moist well drained, sand chalk loam	
Actea simplex 'Pink Spike'	Ranunculaceae	Black divided palmate foliage, pink scented flowers Jul-Sep, 1.2m.	7	Sheltered, part shade	pH, any, moist well drained, clay, loam	
Allium amplectens 'Graceful Beauty'	Aliaceae	Compact grower good for the front of border and pots. White flowers April - May with a pale pink flush. 30cm	7	Shade or half shade	pH, any well drained	

Allium christophii AGM	Aliaceae	Large heads of metallic mauve flowers May- Jul 20cm wide or more, dries well. 50cm high. Easy except in poor sandy soil. Self seeds (if allowed) Good seed heads	5	N/S/E/W Sheltered full sun	pH any. Chalk, clay, sand, loam, moist well drained	
Allium zaprjagajevii	Aliaceae	Purple spherical flowers in hard 4.5cm wide heads May-Jun, narrow leek-like foliage, 60cm. Tazakstan. Very similar to Allium curtum - same season, size, slightly less red but not summer dormant.	7			
Anemone nemorosa 'Frenzy'	Ranunculaceae	Violet - black centered green and white foliose flowers Apr-May 12cm, woodlander	5	Part shade N or E exposed or sheltered	Good loamy soil	
Anemonella thalictroides 'Betty Blake'	Ranunculaceae	Sprays of sweet evenly double pale green flowers Mar-Jun, pretty foliage 15cm. Used to be called, "Double Green". It's proved to be an amazingly good garden plant., woodlander, scented. Pretty leaves	6	Partial shade, N or E facing, sheltered	Leafy loamy soil, acid, neutral, moist well drained	
Angelica archangelica 'Corinne Tremaine'	Apiaceae	Large dramatic creamy white splashed and speckled leaves which set off surrounding flowers wonderfully, cream and green flower and seed heads Jun-Aug, 60cm. 100% true from seed.	7	N/E or W facing. Exposed or sheltered, half shade	Any moist but well drained, poorly drained	

Anthriscus sylvestris 'Ravenswing'	Apiaceae	Blackish ferny cow parsley leaves and Queen Anne's lace flowers spring. 75cm easy. Lovely with Tulip 'Queen of the Night' Short lived perennial	5	S/W/E sun or part shade sheltered or exposed	pH any. Chalk loam sand clay	
Aquilegia vulgaris 'Clementine Blue'	Ranunculaceae	Very good open up-facing clean blue flowers Apr-Jun. 85cm	7	N/S/E/W Exposed or Sheltered	pH any. Loam chalk sand, clay	
Artemesia stelleriana from Alaska	Asteraceae	Bold hardy evergreen grey figured upright foliage, suckering, 20cm. Collected Shemya (W.Aleutian Islands)	7	S/W/E sun, sheltered or exposed	Light well drained, sand chalk loam	
Athyrium otophorum var. okanum AGM	Woodsiaceae	Maroon rhachis and pale creamy-green fronds, deciduous, bushy. 21 - 50cm. Lovely with brown heucheras and cream variegated foliage.	7	Shade moisture and shelter N or E	pH Acid or neutral. Loam or clay	
Baptisia 'Vanilla Cream'	Papilioniaceae	Foliage has a bronze tinge when it emerges but changes to a rich green as it matures. Flowers April - June from yellow buds on the flowering spikes which open to creamy white 25cm long. The plant is 80cm tall	7	Full sun	Prefers sandy soil	

Betula utilis	Betulaceae	Small graceful tree (18m) with peeling white or copper brown bark. Variable species from Nepal. Produces long male yellow brown catkins in spring. Leaves hairy underneath when young turn golden yellow in autumn. Time to height 20-50 years	7	Full sun, partial shade. N/S/E/W sheltered or exposed	Any moist but well drained soil	
Brunnera macrophylla 'Silver Spear'	Boraginaceae	Similar to <i>Brunnera</i> 'Jack Frost' but leaves are whiter with prominent green veins and end with an elongated pointy tip. Blue airy flowers in spring, bushy.	7	Full or partial shade. N/W/E sheltered	Any pH, sand clay or loam, moist well drained but will tolerate some dryness	
Calamagrostis brachytricha AGM	Poaceae	Feathery millet-shaped heads of purple- pink plume like flowers Aug-Sep fade silver- grey Oct-Feb and remain open and feathery that persist into winter. Easy. 1- 1.5m	6	S/W/N/E/ Sheltered or exposed. Full sun or partial shade	Sand, clay, chalk loam. pH any. Moist but well drained	
Camassia leichtlinii 'Sacajawea'	Asparagaceae	Robust cream striped foliage, cream flowers May-June 60cm. Sacayawea, a Native American was the wife of a Quebecois trapper who accompanied Lewis and Clark on their explorative journey in RHS	4	S/W/E sun or part shade sheltered or exposed	pH any. Loam	
Camassia leichtlinii subsp. suksdorfii 'Maybelle'	Asparagaceae	In late spring produces short racemes of blue flowers slightly tinged with purple. 'Maybelle' has a compact columnular habit and bright green leaves reaching 0.5-1m	4	S/W/E sheltered full sun partial shade	pH any, moist well drained	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

Campanula poscharskyana 'Blue Waterfall'	Campanulaceae	Plentiful blue flowers from pointed buds Jul-Oct(Dec), will cascade down (shortly) if allowed, 25 x 65cm. A good Blooms selection that seems to bloom continuously and is very well behaved.	7	S or E exposed, sun or partial shade	pH any. Soil sand, chalk, clay, loam, moist well drained	次は
Chloranthus sessilifolius 'Domino'	Chloranthaceae	Scented white fluffy flowers each with 3 upstanding petals Apr-May, black foliage goes dark green in June, 75cm. Leafy shade. China. Pollinated by thrips - there had to be a reason for them. Also good in a pot or woodland	4	Shade or half shade, sheltered	Well drained good soil	
Cirsium rivulare 'Atropupureum' AGM	Asteraceae	This tries to bloom all year - in winter it is stopped by cold. Purple thistle knobs held over a rosette of foliage over a very long season (Mar)May-Jun, Aug-Dec, 1m. Not spiny. Upright growth	7	S/E/W/N exposed or sheltered. Full sun	Any moist but well drained soil	
Dianthus 'Memories'	Caryophyllaceae	Like the one you remember but miles better. Highly scented neat double creamy-white flowers over a very long period Jan(Apr-Sep(Dec) depending on the weather, neat grey foliage, 25cm, evergreen. Drought resistantPVR - propagation for resale prohibited.	7	S/W/E half shade, full sun	Sand chalk or loam. Alkaline or neutral	
Disporum longistylum 'Night Heron' AGM	Colchicaceae	Usefully evergreen purple-black flushed foliage turns greener in summer, white flowers Apr-May and weird small thick-petalled pink-flushed green ones Sep-Oct, 51-100cm	5	N/E half shade, dappled shade to full sun	Chalk, alkaline. Well drained, light, sandy	

Dracunculus vulgaris	Araceae	Appallingly scented enormously large maroon flowers to 60cm July, lovely snakemottled shoots in winter and spring, 1m. Easy, memorable and a good present for a budding gardener. The plant dies down after flowering	3	Any sheltered aspect, in full sun or shade	Any well drained soil	
Epimedium 'Pink Champagne'	Berberidaceae	Large pink flowers stand up. The outers are pale pink and the inners deep pink. This is accentuated by lovely pink speckled foliage in spring. 50cm. Selected by Darrel Probst	6	Shelted position E/N/W facing in full or part shade	Sand, clay or loam	
Geranium 'Jolly Jewel Red'	Geraniaceae	Deep startling magenta red flowers with a dark centre. Silver green rounded foliage. Flowers April - August. 25cm drought tolerant, easy	7	Any aspect. Sun, partial shade, exposed or sheltered	Moist free draining soil. Loam, chalk, sand. Any pH	
Geranium macrorrhizum 'White - Ness' AGM	Geraniaceae	Pure white flowers from green calyces May-Aug(Sep), pale green scented foliage, 30cm. Easy, even dry shade where it jumps to life in the gloom. Drought resistant	7	S/N/E/W Shade, half shade. Full sun. Sheltered	Sand, clay, loam well drained. Any pH	
Geranium maculatum 'Elizabeth Ann' <sup>pbr</sup> AGM	Geraniaceae	Evenly coffee-coloured glossy foliage and medium-sized pink flowers May-Jun, 40cm. Bred by Leslie Grayson. PVR - propagation for resale prohibited. Drought resistant. Trailing	7	Exposed or sheltered N/S/W/E Sun or part shade	Clay, chalk, loam, sand. Any pH	

Geum 'Starkers Magnificum'	Rosaceae	Large up-facing double tangerine flowers May-Jul, 40cm. Easy. Similar to but not so arm-flingy as 'Prinses Juliana'.	7	Exposed or sheltered. S/W/E sun	Sand chalk or loam. Any pH	
Heuchera 'Cassis'	Saxifragaceae	With a name like 'Cassis' it could only have been bred by the great plantsman Thierry Delabroye. Neat mounds of pretty rounded pink leaves, good old-fashioned pink flowers Apr-Jul, 45cm.	6	Half shade, full sun. S/W/N/E	Any free draining soil	
Heuchera 'Madison Bride'	Saxifragaceae	Neat Heuchera, compact 20cm mid green leaves and creamy, long lasting white flowers in summer	6	Half shade, full sun. S/W/N/E	Any free draining soil	
Heuchera 'Sashay' AGM	Saxifragaceae	Ruffled purple-backed green foliage the skirts giving glimpses of the underclothing, small late spring flowers, 35cm.	6	Half shade, full sun. S/W/N/E	Any free draining soil	
Heuchera 'Snow Angel'	Saxifragaceae	A new robust and long-lived plant similar to some less robust old long-dead favourites. Upright chalky pink flowers May-Jul, cream splashed and speckled evergreen foliage 30cm.	6	Half shade, full sun. S/W/N/E	Any free draining soil	
Heuchera 'Thomas' AGM	Saxifragaceae	Tall heads lemony flowers May-Aug. good green silver and red-veined foliage (like H.'Venus'), leaves 25cm, flowers 60cm. A bee favourite and good as cut flower.	7	Half shade, full sun. S/W/N/E	Any free draining soil	

Hosta 'Blue Mouse Ears' agm	Asparagaceae	A small neat thick-leaved plant. Blue grey rounded foliage 12cm, chubby lilac flowers Jun-Jul 20cm. Snail proof.	7	East or N facing sheltered. Partial shade	Moist, well drained. Clay, loam, any pH	
Hosta 'Empress Wu' pbr	Asparagaceae	Huge dark grey-green foliage - deeply veined and thick enough to be mollusc resistant, up to 60cm.long, pale lavender flowers Jul-Aug, 1-2m.	7	East or N facing sheltered. Partial shade	Moist, well drained. Clay, loam, any pH	
Kniphofia pauciflora	Xanthorrhoeaceae	Pretty flared yellow flowers spaced out (pauciflora = few flowered) on slender pokers Apr-Jul and later (a regular rebloomer), 55cm. Nice. Unusual.	5	South, W facing in full sun	Moist, heavy clay, clay, light, sandy, well drained. Any pH	
Lamprocapnos spectabilis 'Valentine'	Papaveraceae	Arching red stems with attractive light red and white flowers. Attractive cut foliage emerges red but changes to green by early summer	6	Partial shade. N/E or W. Sheltered	Any soil moist and well drained	
Lychnis 'Hill Grounds'	Caryophyllaceae	A sterile hybrid between Lychnis flos-jovis and L.coronaria. A long-blooming plant May-Oct, strong pink-red flowers, grey foliage 75cm. From the late Janet Cropley at Hill Grounds to whom top marks for observation and generosity.	7	Partial shade or sun. S/E/W sheltered or exposed	Loam or sand, well drained. Any pH	

Melica uniflora f. albida	Poaceae	Delicate white flowered grass for dry shade (white flowered form of wood melick), native, May-Jul, 30cm. This has the wonderful quality of prettifying anything in its vicinity. Drought resistant	7	Tolerates full shade, shade or sun, dislikes winter wet, sheltered or exposed	Well drained, any pH, chalk,clay, loam sand	
Melittis melisophyllum 'White'	Lamiaceae	Stunning in the wild in Slovenia where it grows in dense dry shade. Large very white flowers in whorls from amongst dark green foliage Apr-Jun, 35cm. Easy and persistent. Good for woodland	7	Dappled shade	Humus rich, well drained soil	
Nepeta 'Six Hills Giant'	Lamiaceae	Large and long-blooming catmint May-Oct, Lavender blue flowers, grey foliage, 65cm. Easy but hot dry places preferred. Bob's opinion is that this common variety beats the others hand's down	7	Full sun or partial shade, exposed or sheltered	Any well drained clay, chalk, loam or sand	
Persicaria bistorta 'Superba' AGM	Polygonaceae	Slightly vulgar fat pink spikes of flower (Apr)May-Jul and sometimes later, 60cm. Easy, not invasive.	7	Half shade, full sun S/E/W Sheltered or exposed	Any moist, well drained or poorly drained soil	
Podophyllum 'Kaleidoscope'	Berberidaceae	Remarkable hexagonal dark marked foliage, deep red flowers May-Jun, 50cm. Shade, vigorous, tough. A selection of what might be P.difforme by Goyoren Nursery, Japan and subsequently renamed in USA.	7	Full shade or partial shade.N/E or West, sheltered	Acid, neutral. Clay or loam. Moist but well drained	

Podophylum versipelle 'Spotty Dotty' <sup>pbr</sup> agm	Berberidaceae	Polygonate mottled green foliage, clusters of sweetly-scented large garnet-coloured flowers Apr-Jun. Selected for vigour, form, colour and rhizomatous habit. Moist shade. 50 x 75cm.after 2-3 years.	7	Full shade or partial shade.N/E or West, sheltered	Acid, neutral. Clay or loam. Moist but well drained	
Polemonium 'Northern Lights' AGM	Polemoniaceae	Sterile hybrid. Large icy mid-blue highly scented flowers repeats (Apr)May-Aug(Oct), neat, 40cm. Mildew-free. Exceptionally nice with no faults. aka Pandemonium.	7	Sun or part shade, exposed or sheltered	Any soil that is moist and well drained	
Polygonatum odoratum 'Flore Pleno'	Asparagaceae	Lovely big highly scented cream, greenedged flowers even before you turn them upsidedown to look at the doubling inside, May-Jun, 55cm. Sometimes followed by black or red berries	7	S/E/W/N Sheltered. Full sun, partial shade, full shade	Any soil but not hot dry soil.	
Polystichum setiferum 'Pulcherrimum Bevis' AGM	Dryopteridaceae	The most famous, most desirable fern. Evergreen lustrous lace-like swept fronds 1m. A wonderfully intimidating name.	7	North or E facing, full or part shade. Exposed or sheltered	Sand, clay, loam, moist but well drained	
Ranunculus gramineus 'Pardal'	Ranunculaceae	The award-winning large butter-yellow form. Buttercup flowers, grassy greyish leaves, 25cm. Rare and sought-after. Drought tolerant spring flowering before becoming dormant until next spring	7	Sun or half shade	Any well drained soil	

Rodgersia aesculifolia 'Purdomii'	Saxifragaceae	Cream flowers Jun-Jul, 1m. Coppery buds and attractive reddish brown foliage emerging in spring	7	Half shade but will tolerate some sun	Moist humous	
Salvia nemerosa 'Caradonna' AGM	Lamiaceae	Very good. Deep purple flowers from black stems Jun-Aug(Nov), compact, upright 60cm. Bred by Ernst Pagels.	7	S/W or E Half shade, full sun. Exposed or sheltered	Moist but well drained. Sand, loam or chalk, any pH	
Tanacetum vulgare 'Isla Gold'	Asteraceae	Fresh acid-gold-leaved tansy brightens any shady place, extremely easy, yellow flowers Jun-Aug, 75cm. Cut down in July to refresh foliage if flowers not wanted. Good lucent cut flower and foliage.	7	S/W or E facing, shade. Exposed or sheltered	Any moist but well drained. Loam, chalk, clay sand	
Thalictrum ichangense 'Purple Marble'	Ranunculaceae	Amazing foliage. Each leaflet is large, often purple stained and marbled with grey mimicking a begonia, tall flower stems fluffy lilac to white truly continuous Apr-Nov, 30cm. China flowers may have a tendancy to flop so may need support or grown against a wall	7	Sun or partial shade N/S/E/W	Rich loam moist but well drained	
Trollius x cultorum 'Alabaster'	Ranunculaceae	Dreamy slightly greyed cream flowers Apr- Jun and later, 55cm. Not hot dry sites. An old highly desirable cultivar newly invigorated by tissue culture.	7	S/W or E facing, sun or partial shade. Exposed or sheltered	Any loam, clay poorly drained deep heavy soil	

Veratrum nigrum AGM	Melanthiaceae	Very impressive tufts of big pleated leaves like turban hats in early spring, blackmaroon flowers Aug-Sep, 2m. Minimum of 7 years from seed to sell. Easy and long-lived.	7	Full sun, partial shade. S/E/W sheltered	Acid, neutral, sand loam chalk soil	
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