

SHRUBS

- Abelia    
- Berberis (Barberry) 
- Buxus (Boxwood)
- Callicarpa dichotoma (Beautyberry)  
- Callistemon (Bottlebrush)
- Caryopteris  
- Ceanothus (California Lilac)   
- Chamaecyparis (False Cypress)
- Choisya ternata (Mexican Orange)   
- Cistus (Rockrose)  
- Corokia cotoneaster
- Cotinus coggygria (Smoke Bush)
- Daphne
- Drimys lanceolata (Tasmanian Pepper Bush)
- Euonymus japonica 
- Ilex (Holly) 
- Mahonia aquifolium    
- Pieris
- Ribes sanguineum (Flowering Currant)  
- Sambucus (Elderberry)   
- Sarcococca (Sweet Box)    
- Spiraea  
- Syringa (Lilac)  
- Vaccinium ovatum (Evergreen Huckleberry)
- Viburnum  

DEER RESISTANT PLANT LIST







OH DEER

These widespread ruminants forage on the edge of wooded areas, and can also be a common presence in our own neighborhoods. Deer eat a wide range of vegetation, primarily the young fresh growth of trees and shrubs. They will also happily munch fruit, nuts, lichen, and to a gardener's dismay, farm and garden crops.

This list includes some deer *resistant* plants that are available through the seasons. Keep in mind that **no plant is 100% deer proof**, and these tenacious creatures will behave according to their own set of rules, disregarding our coveted gardens and hard work! While one deer might completely ignore a plant, one of its brethren might snack enthusiastically.

The following list includes plants that deer rarely or seldom severely damage, keeping in mind that *no plant is 100% safe* from their appetites. (They might generally avoid a plant, but if they get hungry enough, that can change). However, as a general rule, ferns, ornamental grasses, strong fragrant herbs, and bamboo are deer *resistant*.

The following symbols will be next to the appropriate plants listed inside:

-  = attracts bees
-  = attracts birds
-  = attracts butterflies
-  = attracts hummingbirds

ANNUALS

Ageratum
Heliotrope
Lantana   
Lobularia (Sweet Alyssum)
Nicotiana 
Osteospermum 
Oxalis vulcanicola 
Salvia patens  
Verbena   
Zinnia grandiflora  

PERENNIALS

Acanthus mollis (Bear's Breech) 
Achillea (Yarrow)  
Aconitum (Monkshood)   
Agastache    
Agave
Ajuga (Carpet Bugle)  
Alchemilla (Lady's Mantle)
Amsonia (Bluestar)  
Aquilegia (Columbine)   
Armeria (Thrift)
Asclepias    
Aster  
Astilbe 
Aubrieta 
Bergenia
Borago officinalis (Borage) 
Brachyscome 
Brunnera macrophylla 
Calluna (Heather) 
Coreopsis  
Cotoneaster  
Corydalis 
Crocasmia    
Delphinium
Dianthus   
Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)  
Digitalis (Foxglove)    
Echinacea (Coneflower)   

perennials...continued

Epimedium (Bishop's Hat)
Erysimum (Wallflower)   
Eucomis (Pineapple Lily)  
Eupatorium (Joe Pye Weed) 
Euphorbia   
Gaillardia x grandiflora  
Gaultheria procumbens
Gaura  
Gunnera
Helleborus (Hellebore) 
Iberis (Candytuft) 
Iris
Kniphofia (Red-Hot Poker)   
Lamium (Dead Nettle)  
Ligularia 
Lithodora diffusa  
Lupinus (Lupine)   
Mimulus (Monkey Flower)   
Monarda (Bee Balm)    
Narcissus (Daffodil) 
Nepeta (Catmint)   
Origanum (Oregano, Marjoram)   
Paeonia (Peony) 
Papaver (Poppy)  
Penstemon (Beardtongue)    
Perovskia atriplicifolia (Russian Sage)  
Polemonium (Jacob's Ladder)
Pulmonaria (Lungwort)  
Rodgersia
Rudbeckia (Black-eyed Susan)  
Salvia (Sage)   
Santolina
Saxifraga (Saxifrage)  
Scabiosa (Pincushion Flower)  
Sisyrinchium (Blue-eyed Grass)
Solidago (Goldenrod)  
Veronica (Speedwell)   
Yucca
Zantedeschia (Calla Lily)

