

Valuable Native Plant List

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See the PlantAmnesty Pruning Guide for pruning according to these following Plant Habits

Plant Habits KEY

T = Tree

TL = Tree-Like

CG = Cane Grower

M = Mounding Habit

G = Groundcover

Vigorosity KEY

VS = Very Successful

S = Successful – sometimes OK, sometimes trouble

Spreads = spreads by underground roots, may be difficult to control

WB = Well-behaved

SD = Sometimes dies, but nice

NOTES

DNP = Do Not Plant or banned by Cass

CPF = Cass's Personal Favorites

Medium Trees:

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Vine Maple	<i>Acer circinatum</i>	25'	T	WB
Pacific Dogwood	<i>Cornus nuttallii</i>	60'	T	WB but watersprouts easily. Thin lightly. Gets a chronic disease, CPF
Beaked Hazelnut	<i>Corylus cornuta</i>	20'	TL	VS (babies) Watersprouts. Thin lightly
Pacific Crabapple	<i>Malus fusca</i>	40'	T	T
Garry Oak	<i>Quercus garryana</i>	75'	T	WB
Silk Tassel	<i>Garrya elliptica</i>	25' – 30'	T	WB

Large Shrubs (over 10 feet)

Common Name	Botanical Name	Height	Habit	Vigorosity
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	20'	TL	
Red-osier dogwood	<i>Cornus sericea</i>	15'	CG	VS
Oceanspray	<i>Holodiscus discolor</i>	15'	CG	S
Indian Plum	<i>Oemlaria cerasiformis</i>	15'	CG & TL	
Pacific Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus capitatus</i>	13'	CG	
Elderberry	<i>Sambucus racemosa</i>	13'	CG & TL	S

Medium Shrubs (10 feet and under)

Common Name	Botanical Name	Height	Habit	Vigorosity
Douglas Spirea	<i>Spiraea douglasii</i>	4'	M	
Tall Oregon-Grape	<i>Mahonia aquifolium</i>	4-8'	CG	V, can be renovated, pruned
Salal	<i>Gaultheria shallon</i>	1-5'	G	VS, Spreads, can be renovated
Twinberry	<i>Lonicera involucrata</i>	9'	CG	
Mock Orange	<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i>	9'	CG/TL	
Red-Flowering Currant	<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	6'	CG	V
Nootka Rose	<i>Rosa nutkana</i>	10'	CG	Spreads, VS, can be renovated
Common Snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	5'	M	Spreads, VS, can be renovated
Evergreen Huckleberry	<i>Vaccinium ovatum</i>	6'-10'	TL/M	WB, CPF
Red Huckleberry	<i>Vaccinium parvifolium</i>	10'	TL	WB, CPF
Salmonberry	<i>Rubus spectabilis</i>	10'	CG	Spreads DNP
Thimbleberry	<i>Rubus parviflorus</i>	4'	CG	Spreads

Perennials/Flowers

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Thrift or Sea Pink	<i>Armeria maritima</i>	1'		
Goat's Beard	<i>Aruncus dioicus</i>	5'		WB
Western Bleeding Heart	<i>Dicentra formosa</i>	1.5'		Spreads, V, CPF
Western Tiger Lily	<i>Lilium columbianum</i>	5'		
False Solomon's-Seal	<i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> (<i>syn. Smilacina racemosa</i>)	2'-3'		
Starry False Lily-of-the-Valley	<i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> (<i>syn. Smilacina stellata</i>)	3'		Spreads, VS
Foam Flower	<i>Tiarella trifoliata</i>	1'		WB, Choice
Western Trillium	<i>Trillium ovatum</i>	1.5'		WB, CPF
Evergreen Violet	<i>Viola sempervirens</i>	.5'		Spreads
Fawn Lily	<i>Erythronium oregonum</i>			WB, CPF

Groundcovers

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Vanilla Leaf	<i>Achlys triphylla</i>	1'		SD, but nice
Kinnikinnik/Bearberry	<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	1'		Gets leaf crud sometimes, don't water it
Wild Ginger	<i>Asarum caudatum</i>	.5'		WB
Low Oregon Grape	<i>Mahonia nervosa</i> (<i>syn. Berberis nervosa</i>)	3'		Spreads but can be useful
Bunchberry	<i>Cornus unalaschkensis</i> (<i>syn. Cornus canadensis</i>)	1'		Dies, but very cute CPF
Beach Strawberry	<i>Fragaria chiloensis</i>	1'		Stringy

Groundcovers (cont'd.)

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Twinflower	<i>Linnaea borealis</i>	.5'		SD
Bead Ruby, <i>aka</i> False Lily-of-the-Valley	<i>Maianthemum dilatatum</i>	1'		VS, Spreads, CPF
Wood Sorrel	<i>Oxalis oregona</i>	1.5'		VS, Spreads
Inside-Out Flower	<i>Vancouveria hexandra</i>	1'		S, Spreads, CPF

Annuals/Biennials

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Fringecup	<i>Tellima grandiflora</i>	2'		V, self-seeder, easy to pull
Columbine	<i>Aquilegia formosa</i>	2'		Self-seeder, choice
Lupine	<i>Lupinus</i>	.5'-3'		Self-seeder

Ferns

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Vigorosity</u>
Maidenhair Fern	<i>Adiantum aleuticum</i> (formerly <i>A. pedatum</i>)	2'		WB, CPF
Deer Fern	<i>Blechnum spicant</i>	2'		WB, CPF
Sword Fern	<i>Polystichum munitum</i>	3'		WB, workhorse, CPF
Lady Fern	<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	2'		DNP