

Shade *need* *not* be Grey



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for shady areas at

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Achieve stunning effects in shady
areas by following a few simple steps!

- **Choose the right plants for your garden.** Check our labels to see which plants will tolerate your conditions (e.g. dry shade, moist shade) and for details of the plant's size and habit.
- **Combine foliage plants** with colourful flowering plants. For best effect **plant in groups of 3, 5 or 7.**
- **Smother weeds** with evergreen ground covering plants which will also give year round interest.
- When planting **add compost and fertiliser** to impoverished soil, particularly near hedges.
- If conditions are very dry, be sure to **water regularly** until the new plants establish and can take care of themselves.

Low light levels and poor soil conditions often mean that gardens are dull, lifeless & plants struggle to establish. However with the right initial care plants from our 'Shade Need Not Be Grey' range will survive and thrive.

The following pages list the current plants in our Shade Range, please get in touch for an up to date list of available stock.

Shady Garden Problems

Low Light Levels - caused by overhanging trees, buildings or boundaries.

Dry Soil - often found in areas with established trees & hedges.

Moist Soil - poorly drained soil by streams, ditches or where the water table is high.

Lack of Colour - foliage plants thrive but colourful plants are reluctant to flower.

Shady Garden Solutions

Choose plants wisely - select appropriate plants from our range to suit the light levels and soil conditions.

Follow our planting & care steps below and on the website. Initial weeding, feeding and watering are key to success.

Key plants from the range

Dry Shade - Alchemilla, Heuchera, Geranium, Acanthus, Brunnera, Digitalis, Prunella, Pulmonaria, Pachysandra, Liriope, Fatsia, Elaeagnus, Euonymus, Sarcococca.

Moist Shade - Angelica, Anthriscus, Aquilegia, Dicentra, Hostas, Ligularia, Lythrum, Micanopsis, Primula, Rheum, Hydrangea, Sambucus.

Plenty more ideas available on the website including Free

Our guide to establishing plants in Shade

- Ensure all weeds are removed from the ground prior to planting.
- Add plenty of compost/manure to the soil (available from the nursery) & mix in a fertiliser like 'Growmore' or 'Fish, Blood and Bone' to the soil.
- Water new plants in their pots before planting.
- Dig a generous hole larger than the plant pot & fork over the base and sides to aid drainage.
- Water the base of the plant thoroughly after planting. Continue to water the plant at the base during dry spells until established.
- Spread a generous layer of mulch over moist soil to retain water and suppress weeds.
- Hand weed around the new plants until established.

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Our dedicated website offers advice on selecting the right plant for the right place and how to establish plants in shade. Please get in touch to check availability. Check out our 'Shade Need Not Be Grey' display in our retail area too and be inspired. We're happy to give advice so get in touch.



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Our range of Shade Tolerant plants for specific conditions

For ease of use we have suggested plants from our range to suit specific conditions found in a shady garden. These plants will thrive as long as our tips for establishment of followed and the areas are cared for until established. Where we have listed a plant such as Brunnera varieties - it implies that we grow more than one variety of this genus, all of which should be happy in that situation. Please refer to our latest availability list on our website for more details of prices/sizes/quantities in stock.

Dry Soil in Shade - some will tolerate more shade than others	
Alchemilla mollis	Liriope muscari varieties
Aquilegia - if watered well until established	Luzula nivea & sylvatica varieties
Asplenium scolopendrium	Mahonia japonica varieties
Aster divaricatus	Mahonia aquifolium
Aucuba varieties	Omphalodes Cherry Ingram
Bergenia varieties	Ophiopogon 'Nigrescens'
Brunnera varieties	Osmanthus x burkwoodii
Buxus sempervirens	Osmanthus 'Goshiki'
Cotoneaster varieties	Polypodium vulgare
Cyrtomium fortunei	Polystichum varieties
Dryopteris filix mas & affinis varieties	Pachysandra
Elaeagnus varieties	Persicaria affine
Epimedium varieties	Prunella varieties
Euonymus varieties	Prunus Lusitanica
Euphorbia amy. Robbiae	Prunus rotundifolia
Fatsia japonica	Pulmonaria varieties
Geranium macrorrhizum varieties	Sarcococca varieties
Geranium phaeum varieties	Symphytum gra 'Wisley Blue'
Helleborus varieties	Stipa arundinacea (Anemanthele lessioniana)
Heuchera varieties - if watered well until established	Taxus baccata (Yew)
Heucherella varieties - if watered well until established	Tellima grandiflora
Lamium varieties	Tiarella varieties - if watered well until established
	Viburnum tinus Eve Price
	Viola cornuta & odorata varieties

Dappled Shade/Woodland- well drained soil but not dry

Achillea ptarmica 'Noblessa'	Hydrangea paniculata & arborescens varieties
Aconitum varieties	Ilex aquifolium vars. & crenata
Actaea (Cimicifuga) varieties	Lamiastrum Herman's Pride
Ajuga varieties	Lamium varieties
Alchemilla mollis	Ligularia varieties
Amelanchier varieties	Liriope varieties
Anemone japonica & x hybrida varieties	Lobelia spec. 'Starship Scarlet'
Anemone sylvestris	Luzula nivea & sylvestris varieties
Angelica varieties	Lysimachia varieties
Anthriscus sylv. 'Ravenswing'	Mahonia varieties
Aquilegia varieties	Matteuccia struthiopteris
Aruncus varieties	Muscari varieties
Asplenium scolopendrium	Nandina domestica varieties
Aster divaricatus	Ophiopogon 'Nigrescens' (AGM)
Astilbe varieties	Osmanthus x burkwoodii
Astrantia varieties	Osmanthus 'Goshiki'
Aucuba varieties	Pachysandra term.
Bergenia varieties	Persicaria affine & amplexicaulis varieties
Brunnera Silver Heart	Persicaria bistorta
Buxus sempervirens	Pieris jap. Varieties
Calamagrostis brachytricha	Pimpinella rosea
Calamagrostis x acuti. Karl Foerster & Overdam	Podophyllum Spotty Dotty
Campanula glomerata, pyramidalis & persicifolia vars.	Polemonium varieties
Carex varieties	Polypodium vulgare
Cornus (Dogwood) varieties	Polystichum setiferum varieties
Cotoneaster varieties	Prunella varieties
Cyrtomium fortunei	Prunus Lusitanica
Dechampsia 'Pixie Fountain'	Prunus rotundifolia
Dicentra varieties	Pulmonaria varieties
Digitalis varieties biennial and perennial	Rodgersia varieties
Drimys aromatica	Sambucus varieties
Dryopteris affinis. erythrosora & filix mas varieties	Sanguisorba varieties
Elaeagnus varieties	Sarcococca varieties
Epimedium varieties	Selinum wallichianum
Euonymus varieties	Spirea japonica varieties
Eupatorium varieties	Stachyurus praecox
Euphorbia robbiae	Stipa arundinacea
Fatsia japonica	Symphytum gra 'Wisley Blue'
Ferns - all of our varieties	Taxus baccata (Yew)
Geranium varieties	Thalictrum varieties
Gillenia trifoliata	Tiarella varieties
Hakonechloa varieties	Tricyrtis varieties
Helleborus varieties	Viburnum opulus
Heuchera varieties	Viburnum tinus, tinus 'Eve Price', bod. 'Dawn'
Heucherella varieties	Vinca varieties
Hosta varieties	Viola cornuta, sororia & odorata varieties

Deep Shade - over shadowed with well drained soil

Alchemilla mollis	Mahonia aquifolium 'Apollo'
Aucuba varieties	Muscari varieties
Bergenia varieties	Osmanthus 'Goshiki'
Buxus sempervirens	Pachysandra terminalis
Campanula persicifolia varieties	Polypodium vulgare
Cotoneaster Cornubia	Prunus lusitanica
Dryopteris filix mas & affinis	Polystichum setiferum varieties
Elaeagnus varieties	Prunus rotundifolia
Epimedium varieties	Pulmonaria varieties
Euonymus varieties	Sarcococca varieties
Fatsia japonica	Taxus baccata (Yew)
Geranium macrorrhizum varieties	Tellima grandiflora
Geranium pheaum	Tricyrtis varieties
Ilex aquifolium & varieties	Viburnum tinus & tinus 'Eve Price'
Lamium varieties	Viburnum davidii
Liriope varieties	Vinca varieties

Ground Cover in Shade - some will tolerate more shade than others

Ajuga varieties	Lamiastrum Hermans Pride
Alchemilla mollis & erythropoda	Liriope varieties
Anemone sylvestris	Luzula nivea & sylvestris varieties
Asplenium scolopendrium	Ophiopogon nigrescens
Bergenia varieties	Pachysandra terminalis
Brunnera varieties	Persicaria affine & aff. 'Darjeeling Red'
Carex varieties	Polypodium vulgare
Cyrtomium fortunei	Polystichum varieties
Dryopteris varieties	Prunella varieties
Epimedium varieties	Pulmonaria varieties
Euphorbia robbiae	Seslaria varieties
Geranium varieties	Symphytum 'Wisley Blue'
Hakonechloa varieties	Tiarella varieties
Helleborus varieties	Tellima grandiflora
Heuchera varieties	Viburnum davidii
Heucherella varieties	Viola varieties
Hosta varieties	Vinca varieties
Lamium varieties	

Moist Soil in Shade - some will tolerate more shade than others

N.B These will tolerate continually moist soil which drains freely, those marked W will cope with wet soils too.

Actaea (Cimicifuga) varieties	Iris sibirica varieties
Alchemilla mollis	Lobelia spec. 'Starship Scarlet' W
Anemone japonica & x hybrida varieties	Ligularia varieties W
Angelica varieties W	Luzula marginata
Anthriscus sylv. 'Ravenswing'	Lysimachea varieties
Aquilegia varieties	Lythrum varieties W
Asplenium scolopendrium	Matteuccia struthiopteris
Aruncus varieties	Mecanopsis varieties
Astrantia varieties	Persicaria bistorta & amplexicaulis varieties
Bergenia varieties	Podophyllum 'Spotty Dotty'
Campanula varieties	Polemonium varieties
Carex varieties	Polypodium vulgare
Cornus (Dogwood) varieties	Polystichum setiferum varieties
Cyrtomium fortunei	Primula veris varieties
Digitalis varieties biennial and perennial	Primula japonica varieties W
Dryopteris affinis. erythrosora & filix mas varieties	Prunella varieties
Erythronium varieties	Rheum tanguticum W
Ferns all Varieties in our range	Rodgersia varieties W
Filipendula varieties W	Sambucus varieties
Gillenia trifoliata	Tellima grandiflora
Helleborus varieties	Thalictrum varieties
Hosta varieties W	Tricyrtis varieties
Hydrangea paniculata & arborescens varieties	Viola cornuta & odorata varieties



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